IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DAVE GRUPE,
Appellant,
vs.
CITIBANK (SOUTH DAKOTA) N.A.,
Respondent.

No. 43229

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL



This proper person appeal is taken from a minute order granting a motion to vacate an arbitration award. Our review of the documents transmitted to this court under NRAP 3(e) reveals a jurisdictional defect. No appeal may be taken from a minute order; instead, a notice of appeal must be filed after a written judgment is entered and no more than thirty days after written notice of the judgment's entry is served. A notice of appeal is ineffective if it is filed after a decision is orally pronounced but before a written judgment is entered. Accordingly, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider

 $^{{}^{1}}NRAP 4(a)(1).$

²<u>Id.</u>; see also <u>Rust v. Clark Cty. School District</u>, 103 Nev. 686, 747 P.2d 1380 (1987).

this appeal, and we dismiss it.3

It is so ORDERED.

Rose, J.

Maupin, J

Douglas, J

cc: Hon. Valerie Adair, District Judge Dave Grupe Kravitz Schnitzer & Sloane, Chtd. Clark County Clerk

³We note that appellant's failure to pay the supreme court filing fee could constitute an independent basis on which to dismiss this appeal. We further note that it appears that an appeal from the district court's written judgment or order would be appropriate. <u>See NRAP 3A; NRAP 4(a).</u>