

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

LEONARD JOHNSON,
Petitioner,

vs.

THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WHITE
PINE AND THE FOURTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF
NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF ELKO,
Respondents.

No. 43708

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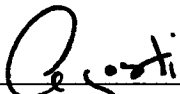
ORDER DENYING PETITION


This is a proper person petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Petitioner appears to challenge the validity of his judgment of conviction. We have considered the petition on file herein, and we are not satisfied that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted at this time. A challenge to the validity of the judgment of conviction must be raised in a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed in

the district court in the first instance.¹ Petitioner may then appeal from a final, adverse order.² Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.


_____, J.
Becker


_____, J.
Agosti


_____, J.
Gibbons

cc: Leonard Johnson
Attorney General Brian Sandoval/Carson City
Elko County Clerk
White Pine County Clerk

¹See NRS 34.738(1).

²See NRS 34.575(1).