IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

FRANK ORTIZ,
Petitioner,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA.

Respondent.

No. 43944

OCT 0 8 2004

ORDER DENYING PETITION



J.

This is a proper person petition for a writ of mandamus. Petitioner challenges his judgment of conviction and seeks to withdraw his <u>Alford</u> plea.¹ 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.² Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.3

Becker, J.

Agosti), J.

Gibbons

¹North Carolina v. Alford, 400 U.S. 25 (1970).

²See NRS 34.160; NRS 34.170.

³On September 22, 2004, this court received petitioner's motion to hold the petition in abeyance while he sought legal representation. No good cause appearing, this court denies the motion.

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cc: Hon. Valorie Vega, District Judge Frank Ortiz Attorney General Brian Sandoval/Carson City Clark County District Attorney David J. Roger Clark County Clerk