IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

AMERICAN RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY AND AFFORDABLE BAIL BONDS, INC.,

Appellants,

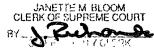
vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

No. 44843

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ORDER IMPOSING SANCTIONS AND DISMISSING APPEAL

On November 10, 2005, this court entered an order directing appellants' counsel, attorney James C. Gallo, to show cause why he should not be sanctioned for failing to comply with our appellate rules in requesting transcripts and unnecessarily delaying resolution of this appeal. On November 22, 2005, appellants, through Mr. Gallo, filed a motion for a voluntary dismissal of their appeal.

In the motion, Mr. Gallo states that "[f]ollowing a review of the transcripts in this case, Appellants have determined their Appeal has no merit." The motion, however, fails to set forth any cause for why this court should not impose sanctions on attorney Gallo for his failure to comply with our appellate rules and for unnecessarily delaying resolution of this appeal. In fact, the motion does not address this court's November 10, 2005, order in any way and no other document has been filed with this court that responds to our previous order.

Appellants' failures to timely file documents, communicate with this court and properly request transcripts has forced this court to expend its valuable resources to repeatedly direct compliance with our appellate rules. Under these circumstances, we conclude that Mr. Gallo's conduct warrants the imposition of sanctions. See Hansen v. Universal

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<u>Health Servs.</u>, 112 Nev. 1245, 924 P.2d 1345 (1996). Attorney James C. Gallo shall have 15 days from the date of this order to personally pay the sum of \$500.00 to the Supreme Court Law Library. Within that same time period, Mr. Gallo shall also file proof of such payment with the clerk of this court.

Cause appearing, we grant appellants' motion for voluntary dismissal of appeal. This appeal is dismissed.

It is so ORDERED.

Maupin J.

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cc: Hon. Kathy A. Hardcastle, District Judge James C. Gallo, Jr. Clark County District Attorney David J. Roger Supreme Court Law Librarian Clark County Clerk