

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

THURMAN L. HANKINS,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA,
Respondent.

No. 33982

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

This is a proper person appeal from an order of the district court denying appellant Thurman L. Hankins's post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Hankins was convicted, pursuant to a jury verdict, of two counts of sexual assault, one count of attempted sexual assault, one count of attempted sexual assault of a victim 65 years of age or older, three counts of burglary, and one count of robbery. Hankins's direct appeal from the judgment of conviction was dismissed by this court.¹ The remittitur issued on September 12, 1995.

On March 5, 1996, Hankins filed a proper person post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the district court; the State opposed the petition. The district court declined to conduct an evidentiary hearing,² and on March 19, 1999, denied Hankins's petition. This appeal followed.

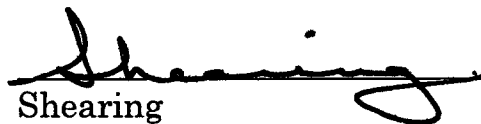
¹See Hankins v. State, Docket No. 25677 (Order Dismissing Appeal, August 24, 1995).

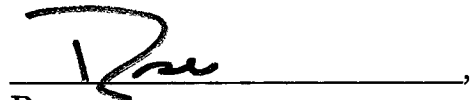
²See NRS 34.770.


In the petition filed in the district court, Hankins presented numerous claims of ineffective assistance of counsel. The district court found that counsel was not ineffective. The district court's factual findings regarding a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel are entitled to deference when reviewed on appeal.³

We have reviewed the record on appeal and for the reasons stated in the attached order of the district court, conclude that the district court properly denied Hankins's petition. Therefore, briefing and oral argument are not warranted in this case.⁴ Accordingly, we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.⁵

 J.
Shearing

 J.
Rose

 J.
Becker

³See Riley v. State, 110 Nev. 638, 647, 878 P.2d 272, 278 (1994).

⁴See Lockett v. Warden, 91 Nev. 681, 682, 541 P.2d 910, 911 (1975), cert. denied, 423 U.S. 1077 (1976).

⁵We have considered all proper person documents filed or received in this matter, and we conclude that the relief requested is not warranted.

cc: Hon. Mark W. Gibbons, District Judge
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Clark County District Attorney
Thurman L. Hankins
Clark County Clerk