## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

FIDEL SANCHEZ MIRAMONTES, Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA WELFARE DIVISION; THE STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; AND NATASSIA ALLISON, Respondents.

No. 46399

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## ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a district court default judgment of paternity and child support order. Seventh Judicial District Court, White Pine County; Dan L. Papez, Judge.

On March 22, 2006, appellant filed documents with this court alleging that he had filed a motion to proceed in forma pauperis with the district court on March 17, 2006. These documents did not, however, include a copy of his in forma pauperis application. The March 22 documents were the first response this court had received from appellant to the notice to pay the filing fee and two orders directing appellant to either pay the filing fee or demonstrate compliance with NRAP 24(a) entered by this court. On May 5, 2006, this court entered an order directing appellant to transmit to this court, within ten days, a file-stamped copy of the application to proceed in forma pauperis he claimed to have filed in the district court.

When appellant failed to respond to our May 5 order and the copy of the May 5 order sent to appellant was returned to this court with

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no forwarding address provided, we directed appellant, in an order filed on July 26, 2006, to show cause why his appeal should not be dismissed as abandoned, within fifteen days of that order's date. Appellant's response to this court's show cause order was due on August 10, 2006. To date appellant has not responded to this court's July 26 order. Moreover, the copy of that order sent to appellant was returned and no forwarding address was provided. It thus appears that appellant has moved and left this court unable to communicate with him by failing to notify this court of any address change. We therefore conclude that appellant has abandoned this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.1

J.

Gibbons

Maurin J

Maupin

Douglas J.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In light of this order, we deny as moot appellant's request for transcripts. Additionally, we note that appellant's failure to pay the filing fee or comply with NRAP 24 constitutes an independent basis for dismissing this appeal.

cc: Hon. Dan L. Papez, District Judge Fidel Sanchez Miramontes White Pine County District Attorney White Pine County Clerk