IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

EVELYN WHITEHEAD, AKA EVELYN JEAN HAGLER, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent. No. 46458

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is an appeal from a judgment of conviction, pursuant to a plea of nolo contendere,¹ of one count of robbery. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; John S. McGroarty, Judge.

On March 23, 2006, the State filed a motion to dismiss this appeal as untimely. The motion is unopposed. According to the district court docket entries, the judgment of conviction was entered on November 2, 2005, but the notice of appeal was not filed until December 19, 2005, after the expiration of the thirty-day appeal period prescribed by NRAP 4(b). An untimely notice of appeal fails to vest jurisdiction in this court.²

¹Appellant pleaded guilty pursuant to <u>North Carolina v. Alford</u>, 400 U.S. 25 (1970). Under Nevada law, "whenever a defendant maintains his or her innocence but pleads guilty pursuant to <u>Alford</u>, the plea constitutes one of nolo contendere." <u>State v. Gomes</u>, 112 Nev. 1473, 1479, 930 P.2d 701, 705 (1996).

²See Lozada v. State, 110 Nev. 349, 871 P.2d 944 (1994).

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA We conclude that we lack jurisdiction to entertain this appeal. Accordingly, the motion is granted and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

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