IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

GEORGE TYRONE DUNLAP, JR., Appellant,

No. 46513

vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent.

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is an appeal from an order of the district court denying appellant's pre-sentencing motion to withdraw his guilty plea. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; John S. McGroarty, Judge.

Our review of the documents before this court has revealed a jurisdictional defect. No statute or court rule provides for a separate and independent appeal from an order of the district court denying a prejudgment motion to withdraw a guilty plea.¹

¹See NRS 177.015(3) ("The defendant only may appeal from a final judgment or verdict in a criminal case."); NRS 177.045 ("Upon the appeal, any decision of the court in an intermediate order or proceeding, forming a part of the record, may be reviewed."); <u>Lee v. State</u>, 115 Nev. 207, 210, 985 P.2d 164, 166 (1999) ("[A] district court's ruling on a pre-judgment motion to withdraw a guilty plea is reviewable on direct appeal from the judgment as an intermediate order in the proceeding.").

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Accordingly, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to entertain this appeal and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.²

J. Maupin J.

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²The dismissal of this appeal is without prejudice to appellant's right to file a timely notice of appeal from the judgment of conviction.

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