IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

L. C. A., A MINOR, Petitioner,

VS.

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, AND THE HONORABLE WILLIAM O. VOY, DISTRICT JUDGE, FAMILY COURT DIVISION, Respondents,

and THE STATE OF NEVADA, Real Party in Interest. No. 46517

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ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition challenging a district court order that placed the petitioner in a juvenile detention facility for a probation violation.

We have considered this petition, and we are not satisfied that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted. The right to appeal is generally an adequate legal remedy, which precludes writ relief.¹ Petitioner has an adequate legal remedy in the form of an

¹Pan v. Dist. Ct., 120 Nev. 222, 88 P.3d 840 (2004); see also NRS 34.170; NRS 34.330.

appeal.² Accordingly, we deny the petition,³ and we deny as moot petitioner's motion for a stay. Petitioner may seek a stay pending any appeal.⁴

It is so ORDERED.

Rose, C.J.

Douglas, J.

Parraguirre, J.

²See NRS 62D.500(1) (providing that juvenile court appeals may be taken in the same manner as civil appeals); NRAP 3A(b)(2) (allowing an appeal from a special order made after final judgment); Gumm v. Mainor, 118 Nev. 912, 59 P.3d 1220 (2002) (holding that an appealable special order made after final judgment must affect the rights of a party to the action growing out of the judgment previously entered).

³See NRAP 21(b); Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 818 P.2d 849 (1991).

⁴See NRAP 8(d). We note that the district court's order is not effective, or appealable, until it is reduced to writing. See State, Div. Child & Fam. Servs. v. Dist. Ct., 120 Nev. 445, 92 P.3d 1239 (2004).

cc: Hon. William O. Voy, District Judge, Family Court Division Clark County Public Defender Philip J. Kohn Attorney General George Chanos/Carson City Clark County District Attorney David J. Roger Clark County Clerk