IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

THOMAS CALVIN JAMES FERGUSON, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent.

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No. 46555

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a purported order of the district court denying a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Donald M. Mosley, Judge.

This court's review of this appeal reveals a jurisdictional defect. The district court had not made a decision, oral or written, on appellant's petition at the time he filed his notice of appeal. We conclude that appellant's notice of appeal was premature, and we dismiss this appeal without prejudice to appellant's right to file a timely appeal from a final, written order denying his petition.¹ Accordingly, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

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¹<u>See</u> NRS 34.575(1).

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