IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

WILLIAM URAL NEEL,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA,
Respondent.

No. 47060

MAY 1,9 2006

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a decision of the district court purportedly denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Lee A. Gates, 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. Accordingly, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

Douglas J.

Becker

Parraguirre

¹See NRS 34.575(1).

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J.

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