IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

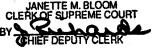
MICHAEL LEE TOWE,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA,
Respondent.

No. 47421

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL



This is a proper person appeal from a purported order of the district court denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Joseph T. Bonaventure, 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.

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¹See NRS 34.575.

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