

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

TAMIR HAMILTON,
Petitioner,

vs.

THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
WASHOE, AND THE HONORABLE
CONNIE J. STEINHEIMER, DISTRICT
JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

THE STATE OF NEVADA,
Real Party in Interest.

No. 51208

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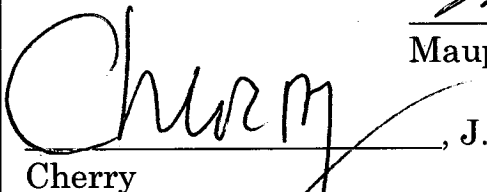
ORDER DENYING PETITION

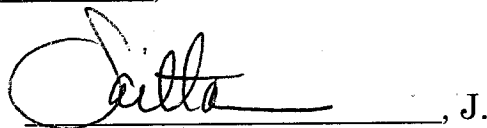
This original petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition seeks an order directing the district court to conduct a pretrial evidentiary hearing to determine the constitutionality of Nevada's lethal injection protocol. Petitioner also seeks a stay of the trial presently set to commence on March 17, 2008, pending the United States Supreme Court's decision in Baze v. Rees (No. 07-5439) and this court's decision in American Civil Liberties Union v. Skolnik (Docket No. 50354).

Having reviewed the petition and the supporting documentation, we are not persuaded that this court's pretrial intervention by way of extraordinary writ is warranted. Accordingly, we deny the petition. Further, we deny petitioner's request for a stay.

It is so ORDERED.


Maupin, J.


Cherry, J.


Saitta, J.

cc: Hon. Connie J. Steinheimer, District Judge
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