## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

MICHAEL EDWARD CLARK,
Appellant,
vs.
WARDEN, SOUTHERN NEVADA
CORRECTIONAL CENTER,
Respondent.

No. 53251

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## ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a purported decision of the district court denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Doug Smith, Judge.

On February 5, 2009, appellant filed a proper person notice of appeal in the district court from a purported decision of the district court denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. However, the district court had not made a decision, oral or written, on appellant's petition at the time he filed his notice of appeal. Thus, the notice of appeal was premature, and we lack jurisdiction to consider the appeal. Appellant

may file an appeal from a final order of the district court denying his petition. See NRS 34.575. Accordingly, we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

Parraguirre, J

Douglas, J.

Pickering , J

cc: Hon. Doug Smith, District Judge
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