

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

STEPHEN RICHARD BARTLETT,
Petitioner,
vs.
WARDEN, NORTHERN NEVADA
CORRECTIONAL CENTER, JIM
BENEDETTI,
Respondent.

No. 53295

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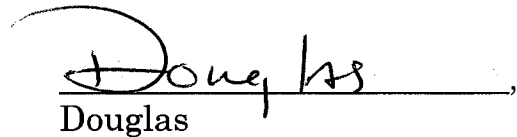
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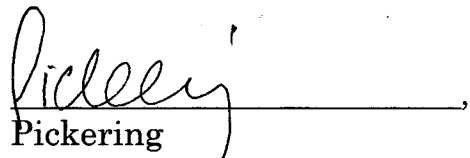
ORDER DENYING PETITION

This is a proper person petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Petitioner challenges the validity of his judgment of conviction and sentence. We have reviewed the documents submitted in this matter, and without deciding upon the merits of any claims, we decline to exercise our original jurisdiction in this matter. A challenge to the validity of the judgment of conviction and sentence must be filed in a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed in the district court in the first instance.¹ NRS 34.724(2)(b); NRS 34.738(1). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

 J.
Parraguirre

 J.
Douglas

 J.
Pickering

¹We express no opinion as to whether petitioner could satisfy the procedural requirements of NRS chapter 34.

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