

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JOHNNY YARNELL WILLIAMS,  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
WARDEN, NEVADA STATE PRISON,  
GREG SMITH, AND THE SECOND  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE  
STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE  
COUNTY OF WASHOE,  
Respondents.

No. 54485

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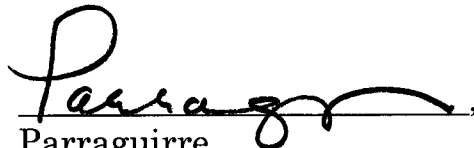
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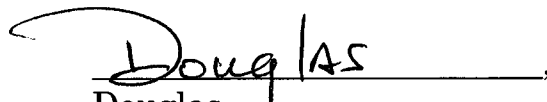
ORDER DENYING PETITION

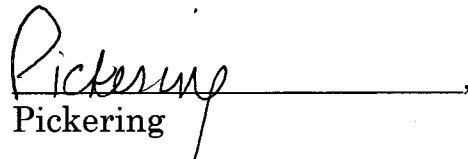
This is a proper person petition for extraordinary relief labeled "First Amendment Petition." Petitioner challenges the validity of his judgment of conviction and sentence. We have reviewed the documents submitted in this matter, and without deciding upon the merits of any claims, we decline to exercise original jurisdiction in this matter. A challenge to the validity of the judgment of conviction must be raised in a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the district court in

the first instance.<sup>1</sup> NRS 34.724(2)(b); NRS 34.738(1). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

 J.  
Parraguirre

 J.  
Douglas

 J.  
Pickering

cc: Hon. Janet J. Berry, District Judge  
Johnny Yarnell Williams  
Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto/Carson City  
Washoe District Court Clerk

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<sup>1</sup>We express no opinion as to whether petitioner could meet the procedural requirements of NRS chapter 34.