IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT, Petitioner,

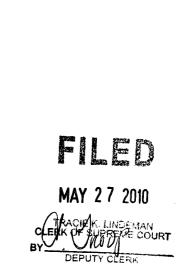
vs.

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, AND THE HONORABLE MICHELLE LEAVITT, DISTRICT JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

BEATRIZ REGIDOR, INDIVIDUALLY; AND AMADOR REGIDOR, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS HUSBAND AND WIFE; PACIFICARE OF NEVADA, INC.; PACIFICARE LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY; PACIFICARE LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY; AND UNITED HEALTHCARE INSURANCE COMPANY, Real Parties in Interest.



No. 55886

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

This original petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition challenges a district court order remanding a discovery dispute to a special master for further proceedings.

Mandamus and prohibition are extraordinary remedies, and whether a petition for extraordinary relief will be considered is solely within our discretion. <u>See Smith v. District Court</u>, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 818 P.2d 849, 851 (1991). It is petitioner's burden to demonstrate that our

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extraordinary intervention is warranted. <u>Pan v. Dist. Ct.</u>, 120 Nev. 222, 228, 88 P.3d 840, 844 (2004).

Apparently, since the petition was filed the special master has entered an order on remand regarding the discovery sought from petitioner. Under these circumstances, we conclude that our intervention by way of extraordinary relief is not warranted at this time, as petitioner can challenge the special master's ruling by filing an objection with the district court, which, should it prevail thereon, would eliminate the need for the extraordinary relief sought in this petition. Accordingly, we deny the petition. <u>See Smith</u>, 107 Nev. at 677, 818 P.2d at 851; NRAP 21(b)(1).

It is so ORDERED.¹

Cherry SaittaGibbons

J.

cc: Hon. Michelle Leavitt, District Judge Marquis & Aurbach Bryan Cave LLP Friedman/Rubin-Anchorage Gerald I. Gillock & Associates Jones Vargas/Las Vegas Matthew L. Sharp Eighth District Court Clerk

¹In light of this order, we deny as most petitioner's motion for a stay and petitioner's motion for emergency relief.

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