IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DEWITT C. MAINE,

Petitioner,

vs.

THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LYON, AND THE HONORABLE ARCHIE E. BLAKE, DISTRICT JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

MICHAEL B. STEWART,

Real Party in Interest.

No. 35255

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ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus challenging a district court order that granted a motion to limit phase II of a bifurcated trial to the rights and liabilities of the parties arising from conduct occurring after October 26, 1987. We have considered the petition and the answer thereto, and we are not satisfied that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted at this time. Accordingly, we deny the petition. See NRAP 21(b); Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 818 P.2d 849 (1991).

It is so ORDERED.

Maupin, J.
Shearing, J.
Becker, J.

cc: Hon. Archie E. Blake, District Judge Steve E. Wenzel Petersen & Petersen Lyon County Clerk