IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ROBERT E. HICKS, Petitioner, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent. No. 57588

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ORDER DENYING PETITION

This is a proper person petition for extraordinary relief, labeled as a "motion for release or vacate judgment." 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 raised therein, 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 filed in the district court in the first instance. NRS 34.724(2)(b); NRS 34.738(1). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

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_, J.

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

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