## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

WILSON H. HUANG, M.D., INDIVIDUALLY; AND CENTER FOR MATERNAL FETAL MEDICINE, A NEVADA CORPORATION, Petitioners,

vs.

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE NANCY L. ALLF, DISTRICT JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

GUADALUPE ALCALA, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE CAMPOS ALCALA; ISAI CAMPOS-ROJAS, INDIVIDUALLY; STEVEN F. KRAMER, M.D., INDIVIDUALLY; GLASSMAN, KRAMER & SCARFF, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, A NEVADA CORPORATION; AND SUNRISE HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER, LLC, Real Parties in Interest.

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## ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This original petition for a writ of mandamus challenges a district court order denying a motion for summary judgment in a medical malpractice action.

A writ of mandamus is available to compel the performance of an act that the law requires or to control an arbitrary or capricious exercise of discretion. NRS 34.160; <u>International Game Tech v. Dist. Ct.</u>, 124 Nev. 193, 197, 179 P.3d 556, 558 (2008). Mandamus is an extraordinary remedy, and whether a petition will be considered is within

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA our sole discretion. <u>Smith v. District Court</u>, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 679, 818 P.2d 849, 851, 853 (1991). Further, mandamus will not issue when the petitioner has a plain, speedy, and adequate remedy at law, NRS 34.170, and we have consistently held that an appeal is generally an adequate legal remedy precluding writ relief. <u>Pan v. Dist. Ct.</u>, 120 Nev. 222, 224, 88 P.3d 840, 841 (2004).

Having reviewed the petition and its supporting documents, we are not persuaded that writ relief is warranted. In particular, there are material issues of fact concerning when the statute of limitations commenced to run, <u>Wood v. Safeway, Inc.</u>, 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026, 1029 (2005) (stating that summary judgment is only appropriate when there is no genuine issue of material fact and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law), and petitioners have an adequate remedy in the form of an appeal from any final judgment. <u>Pan</u>, 120 Nev. at 224, 88 P.3d at 841. Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

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cc:

Hon. Nancy L. Allf, District Judge John H. Cotton & Associates, Ltd. Hall Prangle & Schoonveld, LLC/Las Vegas Bonne, Bridges, Mueller, O'Keefe & Nichols Eighth District Court Clerk

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