IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DOYLE CHASE BARNETT, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent. No. 59995

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

This is an appeal from a district court order denying appellant Doyle Chase Barnett's motion for a new trial. Second Judicial District Court, Washoe County; Patrick Flanagan, Judge.

Barnett contends that the district court erred by denying his motion for a new trial based on newly discovered evidence. <u>See</u> NRS 176.515(1). Barnett was convicted of burglarizing a Raley's store in December 2008 and now argues that evidence discovered in May 2011, specifically, a photograph of a sign posted outside a different Raley's stating that entry with backpacks is prohibited, supports his theory of defense. Barnett claims that this newly discovered evidence proves his "non-felonious intent when he entered the store without his backpack that happened to contain his wallet." We disagree.

The district court has broad discretion in ruling on a timely motion for a new trial. <u>See Servin v. State</u>, 117 Nev. 775, 792, 32 P.3d 1277, 1289 (2001). Here, the district court found, among other things, that the alleged newly discovered evidence was irrelevant, immaterial, and "fails to indicate a different result is probable on retrial." The district court also found that "to the extent Barnett relied on the 'no-backpack' policy as a defense at trial, it stands to reason that photos or documentary

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA evidence of such a policy at any Raley's store easily could have been attained and produced at trial." We agree and conclude that the district court did not abuse its discretion by denying Barnett's motion for a new trial. <u>See Mortensen v. State</u>, 115 Nev. 273, 286, 986 P.2d 1105, 1114 (1999) (listing factors to consider in ruling on motion for a new trial based on newly discovered evidence (quoting <u>Sanborn v. State</u>, 107 Nev. 399, 406, 812 P.2d 1279, 1284-85 (1991)). Accordingly, we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.

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J. Hardesty

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