IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DAVID W. CURTIS AND STEWART TITLE OF NEVADA,

No. 35820

Appellants,

vs.

STANLEY AMES, M.D., JENNIFER AVENA, M.D., STEPHEN AVENA, D.D.S., JOHN BARTON, MARGARET BARTON, MICHAEL CADILE, JOSEPH CAPERONIS, MARION CAPERONIS, MARISA CHANG, HUI WEN KAO, HSUI-YEH CHAN, CHUN HUA CHIU, KEN COHEN, LENORE COHEN, ELIZABETH LYN DONLEY, DAVID ERNST, HOWARD GREENSPON, RICKI GREENSPON, CHRISTIAN HANSEN, HERBERT HANSEN, JIUNN-NAN HO, ROY HOLLISTER, PAMELA HOLLISTER, TOM JONES, CONITA OPP JONES, DONALD KLEITZIEN, JR., ROSALIE ASHNESS KLEITZIEN, DANIEL KOCH, JR., DANIEL KOCH, SR., KENNETH LAND, PATRICK LEE, KARLENE LEE, GERARD LOMBARDO, JOHN LOMBARDO, FRANCES LOMBARDO, VINCENT LOMBARDO, CARL MANTHEI, AL MCCOURT, MARIA MCCOURT, MICHAEL MILLER, BARBARA MILLER, KEVIN MORLEY, VICTOR HILL, STEPHEN PERRY, ILA PERRY, HELEN ROSS, MARY KATHRYN RUBIO, R & D INVESTMENTS, LTD., A NEVADA CORPORATION, GLEN SHAEFER, JUDY SHAEFER, DANIEL SHARP, VIRGIL SLADE, MELL SLADE, MICHAEL STANCZYK, SHARON STANCZYK, TRUMAN STROMBERG, KAREN WILKES, JOHN YACKS, SHARLENE YACKS, CINDY YOCUM, WING T INVESTMENTS, A CALIFORNIA GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, EACH INDIVIDUALLY AND DERIVATIVELY ON BEHALF OF ELKHORN "40", A NEVADA GENERAL PARTNERSHIP,

Respondents.

FILED

JAN 03 2001

CLERK OF SUPREME CAURT

BY

OHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is an appeal from findings of fact and conclusions of law entered by the district court following a bench trial. Our preliminary review of the documents transmitted to this court pursuant to NRAP 3(e) and the

docketing statements submitted by appellants revealed a potential jurisdictional defect. Specifically, it appeared that the order appealed from was not the final judgment, as there appeared to be several outstanding claims.

The seventh amended complaint asserted forty-five claims against several defendants. However, the order appealed from failed to dispose of the following claims: claims 28-29 against United Title, claims 31-32 against Nevada Title, claims 33-34 against Nevada Construction Services, claims 35-36 against National Title, claims 38-40 and 45 against First Security Bank f/k/a Continental National Bank, and claim 44 against all defendants. In addition, it appeared that several cross-claims and counterclaims were asserted, but none of these claims was disposed of in the order appealed from, nor was there any indication in the documents before this court that they were disposed of prior to entry of the order appealed from.

Accordingly, on October 19, 2000, this court issued an order to show cause, directing appellants to file a response within thirty (30) days demonstrating that this court has jurisdiction. Neither appellant has responded to this court's order.

A final judgment is one that adjudicates the rights and liabilities of all parties and disposes of all issues presented in the case. See Lee v. GNLV, 116 Nev. ____, 996 P.2d 416 (2000). Here, several claims appear to remain pending in the district court, and appellants have failed to demonstrate that these claims have been formally resolved by the district court. See KDI Sylvan Pools v. Workman, 107 Nev. 340, 810 P.2d 1217 (1991). The right to appeal is statutory; if no statute or court rule provides for an appeal, no right

to appeal exists. <u>See</u> Taylor Constr. Co. v. Hilton Hotels, 100 Nev. 207, 678 P.2d 1152 (1984); Kokkos v. Tsalikis, 91 Nev. 24, 530 P.2d 756 (1975). Here, the order appealed from is neither a final judgment nor independently appealable. <u>See</u> NRAP 3A(b). Accordingly, as we lack jurisdiction, we ORDER this appeal dismissed.¹

Shearing, J.

Agosti

Leavitt

J.

cc: Hon. Michael L. Douglas, District Judge
 Campbell & Stone
 Brenske & Christensen
 David W. Curtis
 Clark County Clerk

 $^{^1}$ Although appellant Curtis was not granted leave to file papers in proper person, <u>see</u> NRAP 46(b), we have considered the proper person documents received from appellant. Any relief requested therein is denied as moot in light of this order.