

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

No. 35883

IN THE MATTER OF PARENTAL RIGHTS  
AS TO NATAYA LAQUISHA BROWN.

ERIC TODD DOUGLAS,

Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF  
HUMAN RESOURCES, WELFARE DIVISION,  
AND KIM BROWN,

Respondents.

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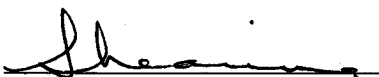
ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a minute order denying appellant's petition to terminate the parental rights of respondent Kim Brown. No appeal may be taken from a minute order. *Rust v. Clark Cty. School District*, 103 Nev. 686, 747 P.2d 1380 (1987). A notice of appeal filed before the entry of a formal written order is of no effect. *Id.*; see also *NRAP* 4(a)(1). Here, the notice of appeal was filed before the entry of a formal written order. It is thus of no effect, and fails to confer jurisdiction on this court.<sup>1</sup>

Accordingly, as we lack jurisdiction over this appeal, we

ORDER this appeal dismissed.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Maupin

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Shearing

  
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Becker

<sup>1</sup>We note that appellant may file a notice of appeal from the final written order, after it has been entered by the district court.

cc: Hon. Thomas A. Ritchie, Jr., District Judge,  
Family Court Division  
Attorney General  
Eric Todd Douglas  
Clark County Clerk