IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JOHN A. MEANS,

IRWIN S. SOPER,

No. 36110

Appellant,

vs.

v ..

Respondent.

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is an appeal from judgments of the Eighth Judicial District Court entered in Case No. A245308 on March 4, 1996, and March 18, 1996. Appellant filed the notice of appeal with the clerk of the district court on April 9, 1996. Thereafter, appellant failed to take necessary steps to cause the record on appeal to be transmitted to the clerk of this court. See NRAP 11(a)¹; see also, City of Las Vegas v. Int'l Ass'n Firefighters, 110 Nev. 449, 874 P.2d 735 (1994) (the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure place the burden of ensuring timely transmission of the record on appeal on the appellant). Consequently, this appeal was never docketed with this court.

The district court clerk recently made this court aware of the existence of this appeal and transmitted to the clerk of this court an abbreviated record. Cause appearing, the clerk of this court shall docket the appeal and file the abbreviated record. Nevertheless, appellant having failed to take any steps in furtherance of the prosecution of this appeal, we hereby dismiss this appeal as abandoned. See NRAP 3(a) (while failure to take any steps other than the filing of

¹ The Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure in effect prior to the September 1, 1996, revisions and amendments govern this appeal.

a notice of appeal does not affect the appeal's validity, it may be grounds for dismissal of the appeal). 2

It is so ORDERED.

Maupin ,J.

Becker ,J.

CC: Hon. Kathy Hardcastle, District Judge
David Goldwater
H. Bruce Cox
Clark County Clerk

² The clerk of this court shall return to appellant's counsel the filing fee transmitted with the abbreviated record.