## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

RICHARD LOVERREN VANHORN, III, Petitioner.

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

No. 69435

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## ORDER DENYING PETITION

This is a pro se petition for a writ of mandamus. Petitioner seeks an order directing the district court to appoint counsel to assist him in the postconviction proceedings. We have reviewed the documents submitted in this matter, and without deciding upon the merits of any claims raised therein, we decline to exercise original jurisdiction in this matter. See NRS 34.160; NRS 34.170. This issue may be litigated in an appeal from the denial of a postconviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. See NRS 34.575(1); NRS 177.045. Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

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cc: Richard Loverren Vanhorn, III Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney

Eighth District Court Clerk

SUPREME COURT NEVADA

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