

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

FELTON L. MATTHEWS, JR.,  
Appellant,

vs.

LAS VEGAS JUSTICE COURT, LAS  
VEGAS TOWNSHIP; LAS VEGAS  
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DEPARTMENT 7; WARDEN D. NEVEN;  
TRINITY PHARRIS; SGT. KIM; SGT.  
SHIELDS; CO GOIN; CO CROPPER; CO  
JAMES WILSON; CO J.  
HOLLINGSWORTH; CO J. RIGNEY;  
SKY HOFFMAN; CO A. SAUNDERS;  
DIRECTOR JAMES G. COX; THE  
STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT  
OF CORRECTIONS; THE STATE OF  
NEVADA; AND SKYE HOMAN,  
Respondents.

No. 70256

**FILED**

MAY 11 2016

TRACIE K. LINDEMAN  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY *[Signature]*  
DEPUTY CLERK

*ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL*

This is a pro se appeal from an order granting a motion for summary judgment and dismissing appellant's petition for a writ of mandamus. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Joanna Kishner, Judge.

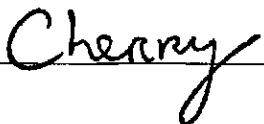
Our review of the documents submitted to this court pursuant to NRAP 3(g) reveals a jurisdictional defect. Specifically, it appears the district court has not yet entered a final written order, and the notice of appeal was prematurely filed. The district court held its hearing on April 5, 2016, at which time it dismissed the case. To date no written order appears to have been entered. Thus, this appeal is premature and we lack jurisdiction over the appeal at this time. See NRAP 4(a)(6) (providing that "[a] premature notice of appeal does not divest the district court of


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jurisdiction" and that this court "may dismiss as premature a notice of appeal filed after the oral pronouncement of a decision or order but before entry of the written judgment or order"); *Rust v. Clark Cnty. Sch. Dist.*, 103 Nev. 686, 688-89, 747 P.2d 1380, 1381-82 (1987) (explaining that oral rulings are ineffective for appeal purposes and that a written order or judgment must be filed before a district court ruling can be appealed). Accordingly, we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Douglas

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Cherry

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Gibbons

cc: Hon. Joanna Kishner, District Judge  
Felton L. Matthews, Jr.  
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Clark County District Attorney  
Eighth District Court Clerk