

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

THOMAS FRANCO,  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE  
JAMES M. BIXLER, DISTRICT JUDGE,  
Respondents,  
and  
THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
Real Party in Interest.

No. 71320

FILED

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ORDER DISMISSING PETITION

This petition for a writ of mandamus seeks dismissal of the charging document or, in the alternative, exclusion of evidence. Petitioner's case has since been dismissed without prejudice. Therefore, this court is "unable to grant effective relief," the petition is moot, and petitioner fails to demonstrate an applicable exception to the mootness doctrine. *Personhood Nev. v. Bristol*, 126 Nev. 599, 602, 245 P.3d 572, 574 (2010). Accordingly, we dismiss the petition as moot. *See id.* (holding that a case that initially presented a live controversy may be rendered moot by subsequent events).

It is so ORDERED.

Douglas, J.  
Douglas

Gibbons, J.  
Gibbons

Pickering, J.  
Pickering

cc: Hon. James M. Bixler, District Judge  
Clark County Public Defender  
Attorney General/Carson City  
Clark County District Attorney  
Eighth District Court Clerk