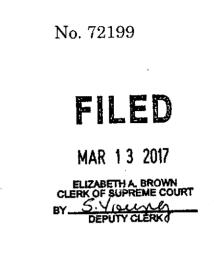
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

MILYN KREDA; AND LARRY KREDA, Petitioners, vs. THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS SMITH, DISTRICT JUDGE, Respondents,

and CATHERINE HYDE; JILLIAN HYDE; ROBERT LEE BURROWS; AND MID CENTURY INSURANCE COMPANY, Real Parties in Interest.



ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF PROHIBITION

This is an original petition for a writ of prohibition challenging a district court order granting bifurcation of the liability and damages portions of a personal injury trial.

A writ of prohibition is available to arrest judicial proceedings that are without or in excess of the jurisdiction of that tribunal. See NRS 34.320; Smith v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 818 P.2d 849, 851 (1991). Whether to entertain a writ petition is purely within this court's discretion, see Smith, 107 Nev. at 677, 818 P.2d at 851, and petitioners bear the burden of demonstrating that extraordinary relief is warranted. See Pan v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 120 Nev. 222, 228, 88 P.3d 840, 844 (2004).

Having considered the petition and supporting documents, we conclude that petitioners have failed to meet their burden of demonstrating that extraordinary writ relief is warranted as they have

COURT OF APPEALS OF NEVADA not established that the district court exceeded its jurisdiction by ordering bifurcation of the trial. *See id.* Accordingly, we deny the petition. *See* NRAP 21(b)(1).

It is so ORDERED.

Libner C.J.

Silver

J.

Tao

J. Gibbons

Hon. Douglas Smith, District Judge
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