## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN RE: PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME (LOWRY)

CHRISTOPHER LOWRY, Petitioner, vs. THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PERSHING, Respondent. No. 77119-COA

DEC 05 2018 ELIZABETH A. BROWN CLERK OF SUPREME COURT BY S.Y. DEPUTY CLERK

## ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus challenging the district court's alleged failure to rule on a petition for a name change or respond to a request for a status check on the petition.

A writ of mandamus is available to compel the performance of an act that the law requires as a duty resulting from an office, trust, or station or to control an arbitrary or capricious exercise of discretion. See NRS 34.160; Int'l Game Tech., Inc. v. Second Judicial Dist. Court, 124 Nev. 193, 197, 179 P.3d 556, 558 (2008). This court has discretion as to whether to entertain a petition for extraordinary relief and will not do so when the petitioner has a plain, speedy, and adequate remedy at law. NRS 34.170; D.R. Horton, Inc. v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 123 Nev. 468, 474-75, 168 P.3d 731, 736-37 (2007). Petitioner bears 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, we are not persuaded that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted. *Id*.

COURT OF APPEALS OF NEVADA Accordingly, we deny the petition. See NRAP 21(b)(1); D.R. Horton, 123 Nev. at 475, 168 P.3d at 737.

It is so ORDERED.

Silver C.J.

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