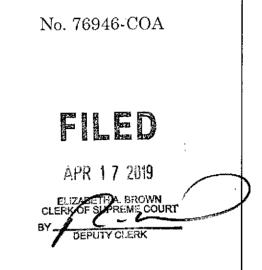
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ELVIRA LOPEZ; AND NATALIE ROSALES, Petitioners, vs. THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE NANCY L. ALLF, DISTRICT JUDGE, Respondents, and LISA SUE JOSEPH, Real Party in Interest.



19-16974

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

This original petition for a writ of mandamus or, alternatively, prohibition challenges a district court order granting summary judgment on a punitive damages claim in a personal injury action.

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 may issue a writ of prohibition to arrest the proceedings of a district court exercising its judicial functions when such proceedings are in excess of the district court's jurisdiction. See NRS 34.320; Smith v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 818 P.2d 849, 851 (1991). 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).

COURT OF APPEALS OF NEVADA Having considered the petition, the answer to the petition, the petitioners' reply brief and the parties' supporting documents, we conclude that petitioners have failed to meet their burden of demonstrating that extraordinary writ relief is warranted. *See id.* Accordingly, we deny the petition. NRAP 21(b)(1); *Smith*, 107 Nev. at 677, 818 P.2d at 851.

It is so ORDERED.

C.J. Gibbons J. Тао J.

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cc: Hon. Nancy L. Allf, District Judge Vannah & Vannah Atkin Winner & Sherrod Eighth District Court Clerk

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