

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

BRIAN KERRY O'KEEFE,  
Petitioner,

vs.

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE  
MICHAEL VILLANI, DISTRICT  
JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
Real Party in Interest.

No. 78105-COA

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**MAY 02 2019**

ELIZABETH A. BROWN  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY S. Young  
DEPUTY CLERK


*ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF PROHIBITION*


This original petition for a writ of prohibition seeks an order prohibiting the district court from transferring petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus from a civil matter to petitioner's criminal matter.


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). 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 34.330; *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 conclude that petitioner has failed to demonstrate that extraordinary writ relief is warranted. *See id.* 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.<sup>1</sup>

  
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cc: Hon. Michael Villani, District Judge  
Brian Kerry O'Keefe  
Attorney General/Carson City  
Clark County District Attorney  
Eighth District Court Clerk

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<sup>1</sup>We deny as moot petitioner's emergency motion initially filed in the supreme court on February 13, 2019, and transferred to this court on April 5, 2019. We likewise take no action on the remainder of petitioner's filings.