IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

PROGRESSIVE DIRECT INSURANCE COMPANY; AND UNITED FINANCIAL CASUALTY COMPANY, D/B/A PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIAL CASUALTY, Petitioners, vs. THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE ELHAM ROOHANI, DISTRICT JUDGE, Respondents,

and BRIAN PARKER, INDIVIDUALLY; LINDEE PARKER, INDIVIDUALLY; AND TANYA TROUP, INDIVIDUALLY, Real Parties in Interest.



No. 85317

ORDER DENYING PETITION

This original petition for a writ of mandamus challenges a district court order denying a motion to strike an attorney-expert from testifying against a former client under RPC 1.9(a) and (c).

Petitioners Progressive Direct Insurance Company and United Financial Casualty Company (collectively, Progressive) assert that attorney Scott Glogovac represented and advised Progressive underwriting companies for over 20 years. In the underlying case, real parties in interest Brian and Lindee Parker,¹ retained Glogovac to testify as an expert on

¹While Tanya Troup is named as a real party in interest, she has not made an appearance in the instant writ proceeding.

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SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA claims handling in their bad faith action against Progressive. Progressive argues that extraordinary relief is necessary to prevent Glogovac from testifying due to a conflict of interest. We disagree that extraordinary relief is warranted.

Having reviewed the petition, we decline to exercise our discretion to entertain the petition. See City of Mesquite v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 135 Nev. 240, 242, 445 P.3d 1244, 1248 (2019) (explaining that entertaining a writ petition is discretionary). In particular, we are not persuaded that writ relief is warranted where petitioners have an adequate legal remedy via an appeal from a final judgment. Williams v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 127 Nev. 518, 524, 262 P.2d 360, 364 (2011) ("This court has held that the decision to admit or exclude expert opinion testimony is discretionary and is not typically subject to review on a petition for a writ of mandamus.... [T]he opportunity to appeal a final judgment ... provides an adequate legal remedy." (citations omitted)). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

J.

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