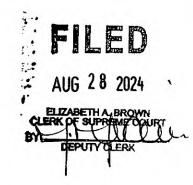
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

CEDRIC GREENE,
Appellant,
vs.
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY,
Respondent.

No. 87645-COA



ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

Cedric Greene appeals from a district court order dismissing a tort action. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Kathleen E. Delaney, Judge.

Greene initiated the underlying tort action against the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) seeking \$10,000 in damages after he was allegedly denied boarding on a MTA bus in Los Angeles, California. After the complaint was filed, Greene submitted various filings, including a motion to allow service of the complaint through alternate means and a motion to change the place of trial. Following the submission of these filings, the district court issued an order directing Greene to appear and show cause why this case should not be dismissed on jurisdiction grounds. The order noted that, if Greene failed to appear or otherwise show cause why his case should proceed, the action was subject to dismissal at the time of the hearing.

Greene did not file a response to the show cause order or appear at the show cause hearing. Thereafter, the district court dismissed Greene's case. In so doing, the court noted that, when presented with an opportunity to demonstrate why he believed this matter should not be dismissed, Greene failed to appear and present arguments in support of the court's exercise of

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jurisdiction over his case. As a result, the district court determined that it lacked jurisdiction over the case and dismissed the matter with prejudice on that basis.¹ This appeal followed.

We review a district court's resolution of issues pertaining to its exercise of jurisdiction over a case or a party de novo. *See Ogawa v. Ogawa*, 125 Nev. 660, 667, 221 P.3d 699, 704 (2009); *Baker v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct.*, 116 Nev. 527, 531, 999 P.2d 1020, 1023 (2000).

On appeal, Greene fails to address, or even acknowledge, the grounds on which the district court dismissed his case, and he thus offers no argument or explanation as to why he believes the Nevada district court had jurisdiction over his case. As a result, Greene has waived any such argument. See Powell v. Liberty Mut. Fire Ins. Co., 127 Nev. 156, 161 n.3, 252 P.3d 668, 672 n.3 (2011) (providing that "[i]ssues not raised in an appellant's opening brief are deemed waived"). Accordingly, we affirm the district court's determination that it lacked jurisdiction and its dismissal of Greene's case on that basis.²

It is so ORDERED.

Gibbons

Bulla , J

Westbrook, J.

¹In dismissing the case, the district court noted that Greene's motions for alternative service and change of venue had previously been denied.

²Insofar as Greene raises arguments that are not specifically addressed in this order, we have considered the same and conclude that they do not present a basis for relief.

cc: Hon. Kathleen E. Delaney, District Judge Cedric Greene Metropolitan Transportation Authority Eighth District Court Clerk