IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ARTURO TORRES OCHOA,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA,
Respondent.

No. 38294

AUG 2 2 2002

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

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This is an appeal from an order of the district court granting the motion of appellant counsel to withdraw from representation of appellant.¹ Our review of this appeal reveals a jurisdictional defect. The right to appeal is statutory; where no statute or court rule provides for an appeal, no right to appeal exists.² No statute or court rule provides for an appeal from an order granting counsel's motion to withdraw. Accordingly, we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

Shearing J.

Becker , J.

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¹This appeal was previously consolidated with Docket No. 38503. Upon further review, we have discovered a jurisdictional defect. Therefore, we elect to address these appeals separately.

²Castillo v. State, 106 Nev. 349, 792 P.2d 1133 (1990).

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