

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ROCHELLE MEZZANO,  
Petitioner,

vs.

THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
WASHOE; THE HONORABLE  
BRIDGET E. ROBB, DISTRICT JUDGE;  
THE HONORABLE CYNTHIA LU,  
DISTRICT JUDGE; THE HONORABLE  
SANDRA A. UNSWORTH, DISTRICT  
JUDGE; AND THE HONORABLE  
LYNNE K. JONES, CHIEF JUDGE,  
Respondents,

and

JOHN TOWNLEY,  
Real Party in Interest.

No. 91589-COA

**FILED**

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY *Melissa Allen*  
DEPUTY CLERK

*ORDER DENYING PETITION*

This is an emergency pro se petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition challenging the jurisdiction of the district court in a family law matter. A writ of mandamus is available to compel the performance of an act that the law requires as a duty resulting from an office, NRS 34.160, or to control an arbitrary or capricious exercise of discretion, *Int'l Game Tech., Inc. v. Second Jud. Dist. Ct.*, 124 Nev. 193, 197, 179 P.3d 556, 558 (2008). A writ of prohibition arrests the proceedings of a tribunal that is acting in excess of, or without, jurisdiction. NRS 34.320. The decision to entertain a petition for extraordinary writ relief is within our sole discretion, and the petitioner has the burden of demonstrating that such relief is warranted. *Pan v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct.*, 120 Nev. 222, 228, 88 P.3d 840, 844 (2004). Having considered the petition and the supporting documents, we conclude

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that petitioner has not demonstrated that extraordinary relief is warranted.  
Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.<sup>1</sup>

  
\_\_\_\_\_, C.J.  
Bulla

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Gibbons

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Westbrook

cc: Hon. Bridget E. Robb, District Judge, Family Division  
Hon. Cynthia Lu, District Judge, Family Division  
Hon. Lynne K. Jones, Chief Judge  
Hon. Sandra A. Unsworth, District Judge, Family Division  
Rochelle Mezzano  
Silverman, Kattelman, Springgate, Chtd.  
Washoe District Court Clerk

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<sup>1</sup>To the extent petitioner seeks a stay of the district court proceedings,  
we deny that request as well.