

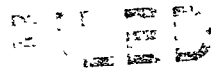
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

KATHY STEELE,
Appellant,

vs.

R. MICHAEL TURNIPSEED, STATE
ENGINEER, DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES, STATE OF
NEVADA; BILL DYER; AND KATHY
RYAN-DYER,
Respondents.

No. 38848



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J. R. [Signature]
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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a November 9, 2001 district court order denying appellant's objection to an order allowing the withdrawal of counsel for respondents Bill Dyer and Kathy Ryan-Dyer. The November 9, 2001 order also purports to deny "all motions." This may include appellant's motions for summary judgment, to strike an answering brief, for "immediate and emergency protection of court," and for decision.

This court has jurisdiction to consider an appeal only when the appeal is authorized by statute or court rule.¹ There is no such authorization for an appeal from an order denying an objection to an earlier order allowing the withdrawal of counsel.² There is also no authorization for an appeal from an order denying motions for summary

¹Taylor Constr. Co. v. Hilton Hotels, 100 Nev. 207, 678 P.2d 1152 (1984); Kokkos v. Tsalikis, 91 Nev. 24, 530 P.2d 756 (1975).


²See NRAP 3A(b); Alvis v. State, Gaming Control Bd., 99 Nev. 184, 660 P.2d 980 (1983).

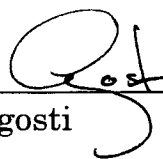
judgment,³ to strike a brief,⁴ for “immediate and emergency protection of court,”⁵ and for decision.⁶

Although this interlocutory order may be reviewable on a timely appeal from a final judgment,⁷ the district court does not appear to have rendered such a judgment, as there has been no ruling on appellant’s NRS 533.450(1) petition for judicial review.⁸ Consequently, we lack jurisdiction over this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.⁹


_____, C.J.
Maupin


_____, J.
Rose


_____, J.
Agosti

³Taylor Constr. Co., 100 Nev. at 209, 678 P.2d at 1153.

⁴See NRAP 3A(b).

⁵See id.

⁶See id.

⁷See NRAP 3A(b)(1); NRAP 4(a); Consolidated Generator v. Cummins Engine, 114 Nev. 1304, 971 P.2d 1251 (1998).

⁸The basis for the district court’s statement in the November 9, 2001 order that it “does not maintain jurisdiction to decide any further motions in this matter” is unclear. In the unlikely event that the district court has declined to rule on appellant’s petition for judicial review, appellant’s remedy is to seek in this court a writ of mandamus. See NRS 34.160.

⁹Although appellant has not been granted permission to file documents in this matter in proper person, see NRAP 46(b), we have received and considered appellant’s proper person documents. We deny the relief requested therein as moot.

cc: Hon. Peter I. Breen, District Judge
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