## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

NICHOLAS A. HANSEN, INDEPENDENT AMERICAN PARTY CANDIDATE FOR CONSTABLE OF HENDERSON TOWNSHIP, Petitioner,

vs. THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, AND THE HONORABLE SALLY L. LOEHRER, DISTRICT JUDGE, Respondents,

and STEWART L. BELL, DISTRICT ATTORNEY; EARL T. MITCHELL; JOHN J. CAHILL; FRANK "FULL TIME" MAHONEY; AND HARVARD L. LOMAX, REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OF CLARK COUNTY, Real Parties in Interest.

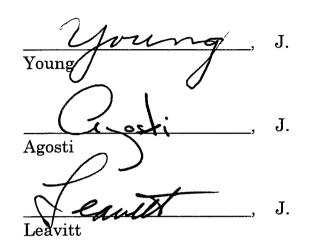


## ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF PROHIBITION OR MANDAMUS

This is an original petition for a writ of prohibition or, in the alternative, mandamus challenging a district court order that directed the Clark County Registrar of Voters to remove petitioner's name from the November 2002 ballot. We have considered this petition, and we are not satisfied that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted. Specifically, petitioner may appeal from the district court's

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA order.<sup>1</sup> We conclude that petitioner's right to appeal is a speedy and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of the law, precluding writ relief.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, we deny the petition.<sup>3</sup>

It is so ORDERED.



 $^{1}\underline{See}$  NRAP 3A(b)(1) (stating that an appeal may be taken from a final judgment).

<sup>2</sup>See NRS 34.170 (stating that a writ of mandamus may issue only where there is no plain, speedy, and adequate remedy at law); NRS 34.330 (providing that a writ of prohibition may be issued only when there is not a plain, speedy, and adequate legal remedy); see also Pengilly v. Rancho Santa Fe Homeowners, 116 Nev. 646, 647-48 n.1, 5 P.3d 569, 570 n.1 (2000) (noting that an appeal is generally an adequate remedy).

We note that if petitioner appeals from the district court's order, petitioner may file a motion to suspend the settlement conference requirements under NRAP 16 and to expedite the briefing schedule.

<sup>3</sup>See NRAP 21(b); <u>Smith v. District Court</u>, 107 Nev. 674, 818 P.2d 849 (1991). The joint motion to expedite the petition, filed on June 24, 2002, is denied as moot.

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA cc: Hon. Sally L. Loehrer, District Judge Hansen & Hall, LLC/Las Vegas Clark County District Attorney Clark County District Attorney/Civil Division John J. Cahill Harvard L. Lomax Frank "Full Time" Mahoney Earl T. Mitchell Clark County Clerk