IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ROBERT THOMAS BURNHAM, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent. No. 39917

AUG 21 2002

JANETTE M. BLOO

GEE DEPUTY CL

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Appellant purports to appeal in proper person from an order of the district court denying his post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Our review of this appeal reveals a jurisdictional defect. The district court had not made a decision, oral or written, on appellant's petition at the time he filed his notice of appeal. Rather the district court determined that an evidentiary hearing was warranted and set the matter for an evidentiary hearing. Accordingly, we conclude that appellant's notice of appeal was premature, and we dismiss this appeal without prejudice to appellant's right to appeal from a final, written order of the district court denying his petition.¹ Accordingly, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.

J. Youn J. Agosti J.

Leavitt

¹An appeal from an order denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus must be filed within thirty-three days after proper service of notice of entry of the order by the clerk of the district court. See NRS 34.575; NRS 34.830; NRAP 26(c).

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA cc: Hon. Donald M. Mosley, District Judge Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney Robert Thomas Burnham Clark County Clerk

Supreme Court of Nevada