IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

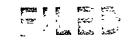
OSCAR BARAJAS BALTAZAR, Appellant,

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

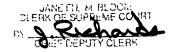
Respondent.

No. 39970



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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE



This is an appeal from a judgment of conviction, pursuant to a guilty plea, of one count of mid-level trafficking in a controlled substance. The district court sentenced appellant Oscar Barajas Baltazar to serve a prison term of 24-60 months; he was given credit for 190 days time served.

Baltazar contends that his right to a speedy trial in the district court, pursuant to NRS 178.556(1), was violated; therefore, he argues, pursuant to NRS 178.562, this court should allow him to withdraw his guilty plea and bar further prosecution of this case. Baltazar also contends, citing to <u>Davis v. State</u>¹ for support, that his guilty plea does not bar a challenge to the denial of his speedy trial right because such an appeal is based on jurisdictional grounds. We disagree with both arguments.

This court has stated that the entry of a guilty plea waives any right to appeal regarding events occurring prior to the entry of the plea.² Further, the right to a speedy trial is not jurisdictional and may be

¹115 Nev. 17, 19, 974 P.2d 658, 659 (1999); see also NRS 177.015(4).

²See Webb v. State, 91 Nev. 469, 538 P.2d 164 (1975); see also Tollett v. Henderson, 411 U.S. 258, 267 (1973).

waived by the conduct of the defendant.³ Therefore, we conclude that Baltazar has waived his right to challenge the alleged denial of his speedy trial right, and that his contentions are without merit. Accordingly, we ORDER the judgment of conviction AFFIRMED.

Rose , J

Young, J.

Agosti , J.

cc: Hon. John S. McGroarty, District Judge Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney Clark County Public Defender Clark County Clerk

³See <u>Bates v. State</u>, 84 Nev. 43, 46, 436 P.2d 27, 29 (1968). In <u>Bates</u>, this court similarly held, as in the instant case, that "when the appellant entered his plea of guilty . . . he waived whatever right he had to a speedy trial." Id. at 47, 436 P.2d at 29.