## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

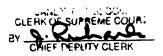
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF RALPH B. SMITH, AN ADULT WARD.

RALPH B. SMITH,
Appellant,
vs.
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS,
Respondent.

No. 40214

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## ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from a minute order in a guardianship proceeding. No appeal may be taken from a minute order. Accordingly, as we lack jurisdiction, we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.2

Maupin
Rose
, C.J.

Agosti J.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See NRAP 4(a)(1) (providing that a notice of appeal filed before entry of a written order is ineffective and does not confer jurisdiction on this court); <u>Rust v. Clark Cty. School District</u>, 103 Nev. 686, 747 P.2d 1380 (1987).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>We note that appellant's failure to pay the filing fee required by NRS 2.250(1)(a) could constitute an independent basis for dismissal of this appeal.

cc: Hon. Scott Jordan, District Judge, Family Court Division Ralph B. Smith Susan Savela Washoe District Court Clerk

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