

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

STEVE MICHAEL COX,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA AND ELY
STATE PRISON, PERSONNEL,
Respondents.

No. 40298

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
BY: *J. Ribich*
CHIEF CLERK

This is a proper person appeal from a district court order denying appellant's application for in forma pauperis status on appeal to the district court from a justice's court order. Our review of this appeal reveals a jurisdictional defect. Specifically, appellant's case arose in the justice's court. The district court has final appellate jurisdiction over cases arising in justices' courts.¹ Accordingly, as we lack jurisdiction, we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.²

Maupin, C.J.
Maupin

Rose, J.
Rose

Agosti, J.
Agosti

¹Nev. Const. art. 6, § 6; Tripp v. City of Sparks, 92 Nev. 362, 550 P.2d 419 (1976).

²Although appellant was not granted leave to file papers in proper person, see NRAP 46(b), we have considered the proper person documents received from him, and deny the relief requested as moot in light of this order. In addition, we note that appellant's failure to pay the filing fee required by NRS 2.250(1)(a) could constitute an independent basis on which to dismiss this appeal.

cc: Hon. Steve L. Dobrescu, District Judge
Steve Michael Cox
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White Pine County Clerk