

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARENTAL  
RIGHTS AS TO E.B.J. AND J.B.J.

No. 40838

JOHN J.,  
Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA DIVISION  
OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES,  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
RESOURCES,  
Respondent.

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JANETTE M. BLOOM  
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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL


This proper person appeal is taken from a district court order entered on December 16, 2002. In its order, the district court concludes that appellant's minor children are no longer in need of protection because they have been reunified with their mother. Additionally, the order acknowledges that the mother and children have an extended protective order that prohibits appellant from any contact with them until November 14, 2003. Based upon these findings, the district court's order terminates the Division of Child and Family Services' (DCFS') legal and physical custody of the two children and returns custody to their mother.<sup>1</sup>

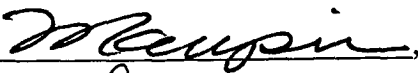
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<sup>1</sup>It appears from the documents transmitted to this court under NRAP 3(e) that the district court previously dismissed a petition to terminate appellant's parental rights.

No right to appeal exists absent a statute or court rule authorizing the appeal.<sup>2</sup> No statute or court rule authorizes an appeal from an order terminating the DSFS' temporary custody of minor children. Consequently, as we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, we dismiss it.

It is so ORDERED.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Rose

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Maupin

  
\_\_\_\_\_, J.  
Gibbons

cc: Hon. Charles M. McGee, District Judge, Family Court Division  
John J.  
Attorney General Brian Sandoval/Reno  
Washoe District Court Clerk

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<sup>2</sup>See Taylor Constr. Co. v. Hilton Hotels, 100 Nev. 207, 678 P.2d 1152 (1984); Kokkos v. Tsalikis, 91 Nev. 24, 530 P.2d 756 (1975).