IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

GARY E. GILLIS,
Appellant,
vs.
FRANCIS L. WOOD,
Respondent.

No. 42441

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL



This proper person appeal is taken from a district court order that dismissed an appeal from the justice's court. Our review of the documents transmitted under NRAP 3(e) reveals a jurisdiction defect. In particular, the district courts have final appellate jurisdiction over cases arising in justices' courts. Consequently, we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and we dismiss it.

It is so ORDERED.²

Rose J.

Leavitt J.

Maupin J.

¹Nev. Const. art. 6, § 6; <u>Waugh v. Casazza</u>, 85 Nev. 520, 458 P.2d 359 (1969).

²Appellant's failure to pay the filing fee on appeal could constitute an independent basis on which to dismiss this appeal.

cc: Hon. David A. Huff, District Judge Gary E. Gillis Robert J. Bennett Lyon County Clerk

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