## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JOHN BADEA, Appellant, vs. MELVIN HOFFMAN, Respondent. No. 49253

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## ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is a proper person appeal from an oral verdict announced following a bench trial. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Elizabeth Goff Gonzalez, Judge.

Our review of the documents before us reveals jurisdictional defects. First, "[d]ispositional court orders that are not administrative in nature, but deal with the procedural posture or merits of the underlying controversy, must be written, signed, and filed before they become effective."<sup>1</sup> Thus, the district court's orally announced verdict is not appealable.<sup>2</sup> Second, even if the district court's judgment had been reduced to writing, it would not be a final judgment since appellant's

<sup>1</sup><u>State, Div. Child & Fam. Servs. v. Dist. Ct.</u>, 120 Nev. 445, 455, 92 P.3d 1239, 1245 (2004).

<sup>2</sup>See id. at 452; 92 P.3d at 1244; see also Rust v. Clark Cty. School District, 103 Nev. 686, 747 P.2d 1380 (1987).

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA claims against defendant Oprea remain pending.<sup>3</sup> The district court's docket entries reflect that while a default has been entered against Oprea, no default judgment has been entered. Accordingly, as we lack jurisdiction, we



cc: Hon. Elizabeth Goff Gonzalez, District Judge John Badea Melvin Hoffman Eighth District Court Clerk

 $^{3}$ <u>See Lee v. GNLV Corp.</u>, 116 Nev. 424, 996 P.2d 416 (2000) (holding that an appealable final judgment is one that resolves all claims as to all parties).

<sup>4</sup>In light of this order, appellant need not file the proper person civil appeal statement that was mailed to him. Also, no action need be taken on respondent's "opposition" to this appeal.

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