

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

LAWRENCE L. SHULTS,
Petitioner,

vs.

WARDEN, NORTHERN NEVADA
CORRECTIONAL CENTER, JIM
BENEDETTI,
Respondent.

No. 54610

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BY S. Young
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ORDER DENYING PETITION

This is a proper person petition for a writ of mandamus, or in the alternative, an original petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Petitioner challenges the validity of his judgment of conviction. We have reviewed the documents submitted in this matter, and without deciding upon the merits of any claims, we decline to exercise original jurisdiction in this matter. NRS 34.160; NRS 34.170. A challenge to the validity of the judgment of conviction must be raised in a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed in the district court in the first instance.¹ NRS 34.724(2)(b); NRS 34.738(1). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED

Cherry, J.
Cherry

Saitta, J.
Saitta

Gibbons, J.
Gibbons

¹We express no opinion as to whether petitioner could meet the procedural requirements of NRS chapter 34.

cc: Lawrence L. Shults
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Eighth District Court Clerk