IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JAMES CHAVEZ, Petitioner, VS. THE STATE OF NEVADA. Respondent.

No. 55823

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ORDER DENYING PETITION

This is a proper person petition for a writ of certiorari. Appellant appears to be challenging 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. See NRS 34.020. A challenge to the validity of the judgment of conviction must be raised in a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the district court in the first instance.1 NRS 34.724(2)(b); NRS 34738(1). Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

J.

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

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