

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

WILLIAM MITCHELL BELL,
Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA; HOWARD
SKOLNICK; NEVADA DEPARTMENT
OF CORRECTIONS; BRIAN
WILLIAMS; HIGH DESERT STATE
PRISON; ALBERT PERATA; INMATE
SERVICES/INMATE BANKING
SERVICES.; AND CATHERINE
CORTEZ-MASTO, ATTORNEY
GENERAL,
Respondents.¹

No. 58004

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

This is a proper person appeal from a district court order dismissing a tort action. First Judicial District Court, Carson City; James Todd Russell, Judge.

The district court dismissed the complaint for appellant's failure to timely serve certain defendants or exhaust his administrative remedies prior to filing his complaint. On appeal, appellant has not made any argument that the district court erred by dismissing his complaint, but instead, contends only that he needs to have counsel appointed to

¹Appellant also named private individuals, Terrence Tucker and Betty Minor, as defendants, but neither Tucker nor Minor was ever served with process. Thus, they did not become parties to this action. See Rae v. All American Life & Cas. Co., 95 Nev. 920, 922, 605 P.2d 196, 197 (1979) (holding that an individual named as a co-defendant is not a party unless he or she has been served).

assist him with this appeal. See Edwards v. Emperor's Garden Rest., 122 Nev. 317, 330 n.38, 130 P.3d 1280, 1288 n.38 (2006) (providing that this court need not consider arguments not cogently made). Accordingly, as appellant has failed to address the district court's basis for dismissing the complaint, we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.

Cherry, J.
Cherry

Pickering, J.
Pickering

Hardesty, J.
Hardesty

cc: Hon. James Todd Russell, District Judge
William Mitchell Bell
Attorney General/Carson City
Carson City Clerk