IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

LELAND BRYANT,
Petitioner,
vs.
THE JUSTICE COURT OF LAS VEGAS
TOWNSHIP, IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF CLARK; AND KAREN
BENNETT-HARON, JUSTICE OF THE
PEACE,
Respondents,
and
DWIGHT NEVEN, WARDEN,
Real Party in Interest.

No. 61124

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CLERN OF SUPPEME COURT

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This proper person original petition for a writ of mandamus seeks to compel the justice court to act in a small claims action.

A writ of mandamus may be issued "to compel the performance of an act that the law requires as a duty resulting from an office, trust, or station." International Game Tech. v. Dist. Ct., 124 Nev. 193, 197, 179 P.3d 556, 558 (2008); see also NRS 34.160. It is within this court's discretion to determine if a writ petition will be considered. Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 818 P.2d 849, 851 (1991). Petitioner bears the burden of demonstrating that extraordinary relief is warranted. Pan v. Dist. Ct., 120 Nev. 222, 228, 88 P.3d 840, 844 (2004).

Having considered the petition and the attached documents, we conclude that petitioner has not demonstrated that extraordinary relief is warranted. <u>Id.</u> We are, however, confident that Justice of the Peace Karen Bennett-Haron will address petitioner's complaint in a timely fashion while taking into consideration the demands of the justice court

docket. Accordingly, we deny the writ petition. NRAP 21(b)(1); <u>Smith</u>, 107 Nev. at 677, 818 P.2d at 851.

It is so ORDERED.¹

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cc: Hon. Karen Bennett-Haron, Justice of the Peace Leland Bryant Attorney General/Carson City Las Vegas Township Justice Court Clerk

¹We also note that petitioner may first file in the district court any petition for a writ of mandamus seeking to compel the justice court to act, instead of proceeding directly to this court. NRS 34.160.