## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

RODERICK RENEE SAWYER,
Appellant,
vs.
NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS; AND RENEE BAKER,
WARDEN,
Respondents.

No. 77243-COA

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## ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

Rodrick Renee Sawyer appeals from a district court order denying a postconviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed on August 2, 2018. Eleventh Judicial District Court, Pershing County; Jim C. Shirley, Judge.

Sawyer claims the Nevada Department of Corrections' failure to apply the statutory credits he has earned to his minimum sentences violates his right to equal protection of the law because he is similarly situated to the offenders who committed his offenses before NRS 209.4465 was amended in 2007. However, Sawyer's claim lacks merit because "the disparate application of statutory credits to parole eligibility based on when an offender committed an offense is rationally related to a legitimate governmental interest and thus does not offend the Equal Protection Clauses of the United States and Nevada Constitutions." Vickers v. Dzurenda, 134 Nev., Adv. Op. 91 at \*8-9, 433 P.3d 306, 310 (2018).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This appeal has been submitted for decision without oral argument. NRAP 34(f)(3).

Accordingly, we conclude the district court did not err by denying Sawyer's petition, and we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.

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cc: Hon. Jim C. Shirley, District Judge Roderick Renee Sawyer Attorney General/Carson City Pershing County District Attorney Pershing County Clerk

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