

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

STEPHEN CHOATE,  
Appellant,  
vs.  
THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
Respondent.

No. 79942

**FILED**

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*ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL*

This is a pro se appeal from a purported district court order denying a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Fifth Judicial District Court, Nye County; Michael A. Cherry, Judge.

This court's review of this appeal reveals a jurisdictional defect. Specifically, no decision had been made on the petition when appellant filed the appeal on October 29, 2019. Thus, the notice of appeal is premature. See NRS 177.015(3) (stating that a defendant only may appeal from a final judgment or verdict). Accordingly, this court

ORDERS this appeal DISMISSED.

Pickering, J.  
Pickering

Parraguirre, J.  
Parraguirre

Cadish, J.  
Cadish

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