

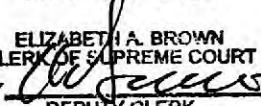
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

CHRISTOPHER LENARD BLOCKSON,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS;
AND JERRY HOWELL, WARDEN,
Respondents.

No. 81360-COA

FILED

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

Christopher Lenard Blockson appeals from an order of the district court denying a postconviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed on February 13, 2020. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Jerry A. Wiese, Judge.

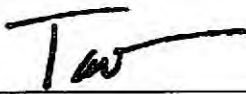
Blockson argues the district court erred by denying his claims that he was erroneously convicted of a felony instead of a misdemeanor, the State “maliciously” rewrote the cruelty to animals statute in all of its pleadings, and the State prosecuted him for a crime they knew he did not commit. These claims were outside the scope of a postconviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus challenging a judgment of conviction entered pursuant to a guilty plea because these claims did not allege that his plea was involuntarily or unknowingly entered or that his plea was entered without the effective assistance of counsel. See NRS 34.810(1)(a). Therefore, we conclude the district court did not err by denying these claims.

Next, Blockson argues he was not given an opportunity to respond to the State’s reply to his petition. Blockson was not entitled to

respond to the State because the State did not file a motion to dismiss Blockson's petition. See NRS 34.750(4), (5). Therefore, we conclude the district court did not err by denying the petition without first allowing Blockson to respond. Accordingly, we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.


_____, C.J.
Gibbons


_____, J.
Tao


_____, J.
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cc: Hon. Jerry A. Wiese, District Judge
Christopher Lenard Blockson
Attorney General/Carson City
Clark County District Attorney
Eighth District Court Clerk