## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

LUIS HIDALGO, III AND ANABEL
ESPINDOLA,
Petitioners,
vs.
THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
CLARK, THE HONORABLE DONALD
M. MOSLEY, DISTRICT JUDGE,
Respondents,

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Real Party in Interest.

and

No. 48233

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## ORDER DIRECTING ANSWER

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition in a case in which the State seeks a death sentence. The petition challenges the district court's denial of petitioners' motion to strike the notices of intent to seek death penalty. We have reviewed the petition, and it appears that petitioners have set forth issues of arguable merit and may have no plain, speedy, and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of the law. Accordingly, the State, on behalf of respondents, shall have 20 days from the date of this order within which to file an answer, including authorities, against issuance of the requested writ.

It is so ORDERED.

\_, C.J.

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA



cc: Hon. Donald M. Mosley, District Judge Gentile DePalma, Ltd. JoNell Thomas Attorney General George Chanos/Carson City Clark County District Attorney David J. Roger Clark County Clerk

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