

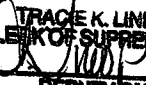
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

THE STATE OF NEVADA,  
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES,  
Appellant,  
vs.  
WILLIAM JUNGE,  
Respondent.

No. 49350

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This is an appeal from a district court order granting judicial review and reversing an administrative hearing officer's decision upholding appellant Department of Motor Vehicle's (DMV) denial of respondent's application to renew his personalized license plate.

After further review of the record on appeal, we question whether the relief sought on appeal by the DMV is still available. To assist this court in answering this question, we direct the DMV to inform this court as to whether the license plate at issue on appeal is currently registered to respondent William Junge. Additionally, if that license plate is no longer registered to Mr. Junge, we direct the DMV to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed as moot based on the theory that resolution of this appeal would not afford the DMV any relief. See University Sys. v. Nevadans for Sound Gov't, 120 Nev. 712, 720, 100 P.3d 179, 186 (2004) ("[T]he duty of every judicial tribunal is to decide actual controversies by a judgment which can be carried into effect, and not to give opinions upon moot questions or abstract propositions, or to declare principles of law which cannot affect the matter in issue before it." (quoting NCAA v. University of Nevada, 97 Nev. 56, 57, 624 P.2d 10, 10

(1981))). Accordingly, the DMV shall have 15 days to advise the court of the status of the license plate and, if it is no longer registered to Mr. Junge, why this appeal should not be dismissed as moot.

It is so ORDERED.

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