IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

SAMUEL HOWARD, Appellant,

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

PAOLA M. ARMENI; JONAH J. HORWITZ; AND DEBORAH A. CZUBA, Petitioners.

VS.

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK; AND THE HONORABLE MICHAEL VILLANI, DISTRICT JUDGE,

Respondents,

and

TIMOTHY FILSON, WARDEN; ADAM P. LAXALT, ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF NEVADA; AND THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Real Parties in Interest.

No. 73223

No. 73462

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ORDER

Docket No. 73223 is an appeal from an order denying a postconviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus in a capital case. Docket No. 73462 is a petition for a writ of mandamus challenging the imposition of sanctions against counsel in the same postconviction proceeding. Appellant and petitioners have filed motions to consolidate these matters. Respondent in Docket No. 73223 and and real parties in interest in Docket No. 73462 oppose consolidation, and appellant and petitioners have filed replies.

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Having considered the arguments of the parties, we deny the motion to consolidate without prejudice. Appellant in Docket No. 73223 shall have 20 days from the date of this order to file and serve the opening brief and appendix.

It is so ORDERED.

Cherry, C.J.

cc: Federal Defender Services of Idaho Gentile, Cristalli, Miller, Armeni & Savarese, PLLC Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney