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> RE: DAMIEN A. PHILLIPS vs. NEV. DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS S.C. CASE: 84115 D.C. CASE: A-21-831976-W

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to your Order Directing Entry and Transmission of Written Order, dated February 1, 2022, enclosed is a certified copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order filed March 22, 2022 in the above referenced case. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 671-0512.

Sincerely, STEVEN D. GRIERSON, CLERK OF THE COURT

/s/ Heather Ungermann

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk

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1 **FFCO** STEVEN B. WOLFSON 2 Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565 KAREN MISHLER 3 Chief Deputy District Attorney 4 Nevada Bar #013730 200 Lewis Avenue 5 Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-2212 (702) 671-2500 6 Attorney for Respondent 7 DISTRICT COURT 8 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 9 DAMIEN ALEXANDER PHILLIPS. #8437102 10 Petitioner, 11 CASE NO: A-21-831976-W -VS-12 DEPT NO: IX THE STATE OF NEVADA, 13 Respondent. 14 15 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER 16 DATE: November 18, 2021 17 TIME OF HEARING: Chambers THIS CAUSE having been decided by the Honorable CRISTINA D. SILVA, District 18 Court Judge, on the 18th day of November 2021, in chambers and the Court having reviewed 19 20 the matter, including briefs, transcripts, and documents on file herein; now therefore, the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law: 21 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW 22 STATEMENT OF THE CASE 23 On October 23, 2018, DAMIEN ALEXANDER PHILLIPS (hereinafter "Petitioner") 24 was charged by way of Information with CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT BURGLARY (Gross 25

Misdemeanor - NRS 205.060, 199.480); CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT ROBBERY (Category

B Felony - NRS 200.380, 199.480); BURGLARY WHILE IN POSSESSION OF A DEADLY

WEAPON (Category B Felony – NRS 205.060); ROBBERY WITH USE OF A DEADLY

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WEAPON (Category B Felony – NRS 200.380, 193.165); ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON (Category B Felony – NRS 200.471); and ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON, VICTIM 60 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER (Category B Felony – NRS 200.471, 193.167) for actions on or between July 17, 2018 and August 6, 2018.

On December 3, 2018, Petitioner's case proceeded to trial before a jury. After eight (8) days of trial, the jury its Verdict as follows: Count 1 – Guilty of Conspiracy to Commit Burglary; Count 2 – Guilty of Conspiracy to Commit Robbery; Count 3 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 4 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 5 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 6 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 7 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 8 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 9 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 10 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 11 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 12 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 13 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 14 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 15 – Guilty of Burglary While in Possession of a Deadly Weapon; Count 16 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 17 – Guilty of Robbery with Use of a Deadly Weapon; Count 18 – Guilty of Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Count 19 – Guilty of Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Count 20 – Guilty of Assault with a Deadly Weapon; and Count 21 – Guilty of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Victim 60 Years of Age or Older.

On January 29, 2019, Petitioner was sentenced as follows: Count 1 – three hundred sixty-four (364) days in the Clark County Detention Center ("CCDC"); Count 2 – twelve (12) to forty-eight (48) months in the Nevada Department of Corrections ("NDC"), concurrent with Count 1; Count 3 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 2; Count 4 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 3; Count 5 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count

3; Count 6 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, consecutive to Count 4; Count 7 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, consecutive to Count 6; Count 8 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 5; Count 9 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, consecutive to Count 7; Count 10 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, concurrent with Count 9; Count 11 - thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 8; Count 12 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, concurrent with Count 10; Count 13 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, concurrent with Count 12; Count 14 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 11; Count 15 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, concurrent with Count 14; Count 16 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, concurrent with Count 13; Count 17 – thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months, with a consecutive thirty-six (36) to one hundred twenty (120) months for the deadly weapon enhancement, concurrent with Count 16; Count 18 – twelve (12) to forty-eight (48) months, concurrent with Count 15; Count 19 – twelve (12) to forty-eight (48) months, concurrent with Count 18; Count 20 – twelve (12) to forty-eight (48) months, concurrent with Count 19; and Count 21 – twelve (12) to fortyeight (48) months, with a consecutive twelve (12) to forty-eight (48) months for the victim 65 years of age or older, concurrent with Count 17. Petitioner's total aggregate sentence was announced as twenty-four (24) to eighty (80) years, with one hundred seventy-four (174) days credit for time served. Petitioner's Judgment of Conviction was filed on February 27, 2019.

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The Court filed an Amended Judgment of Conviction on May 6, 2020, to correct a clerical error in Petitioner's Judgment of Conviction.

On February 28, 2019, Petitioner filed a Notice of Appeal from his Judgment of Conviction. On March 18, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court filed its Order of Affirmance. Remittitur issued on April 15, 2020.

On March 30, 2021, Petitioner filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction), as well as a Motion to Preserve All Evidence in Case C-18-335500-1, and a Motion to Appoint Counsel. The State filed its Response to Petitioner's Petition on May 25, 2021. Also on May 25, 2021, Petitioner filed a "Motion and Order for Transportation of Inmate." On June 9, 2021, this Court denied Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction), Motion to Appoint Counsel, Request for Transport; granted Petitioner's Motion to Preserve Evidence, and deferred law library issues. On August 21, 2021, the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed.

On August 4, 2021, Petitioner filed "Motion for Amended Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction).

On October 13, 2021, Petitioner filed a second Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus and a Motion for Appointment of Attorney and Request for Evidentiary Hearing. After reviewing the Petition, this Court determined that a response would not assist the Court in determining whether Petitioner is illegally imprisoned and restrained of his liberty. Petitioner previously filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus on March 30, 2021, which was denied on June 9, 2021. Petitioner did not raise any new issues in his second Petition; therefore, on November 18, 2021, this Court denied the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus without prejudice for the same reasons set forth in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law signed on August 24, 2021.

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## **ANALYSIS**

The Court has reviewed the Second Petition and has determined that a response would not assist the Court in determining whether Petitioner is illegally imprisoned and restrained of his liberty. Petitioner previously filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus on March 30, 2021, which was denied on June 9, 2021. In this instant, second Petition, Mr. Phillips does not raise any new issues outside the previously denied first Petition. Accordingly, the Court adopts and incorporates by reference as if fully set forth herein the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law signed by Judge Lilly-Spells on August 21, 2021. Therefore this Court DENIES this second Petition For Writ of Habeas Corpus without prejudice for the same reasons set forth in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law signed on August 21, 2021.

## **ORDER**

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, Petitioner Damien Phillips's second Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus shall be, and is, DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, Petitioner's Motion to Appoint Counsel shall be, and is, DENIED.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2022

758 02A 4169 8B6C Cristina D. Silva District Court Judge

Respectfully submitted,

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #1565

BY /s/Karen Mishler KAREN MISHLER Chief Deputy District Attorney Nevada Bar #013730



**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** I hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing was made this 10th day of March, 2022, by depositing a copy in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to: DAMIEN PHILLIPS #1212760 HIGH DESERT STATE PRISON PO BOX 650 INDIAN SPRINGS, NV, 89070 BY/s/ Corelle Bellamy Corelle Bellamy Secretary for the District Attorney's Office 

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