**Electronically Filed** 12/17/2020 9:59 AM Steven D. Grierson CLERK OF THE COURT 1 NOTC CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ. Nevada Bar no. 4349 520 South 4th Street, 2nd Floor Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 3 (702) 384-5563 **Electronically Filed** 4 Dec 17 2020 02:10 p.m. Attorney for Defendant Elizabeth A. Brown 5 CLEMÓN HUDSON Clerk of Supreme Court DISTRICT COURT 6 7 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 8 \* \* \* \* \* 9 THE STATE OF NEVADA, CASE NO. A-18-783635-W DEPT. NO. 10 Plaintiff, 11 VS. 520 SOUTH 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET | SECOND FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89101 12 Tel. 702.384-5563 | Fax. 702.974-0623 CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, LTD. CLEMON HUDSON, 13 Defendant. 14 **NOTICE OF APPEAL** 15 NOTICE is hereby given that Defendant, CLEMON HUDSON, pursuant to NRAP 4(c)(3) 16 files an untimely notice of appeal to the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada which was 17 granted by the Honorable David M. Jones on December 04, 2020. The Findings of Fact, 18 Conclusions of Law and Order, which granted Mr. Hudson's petition in part, and denied in part, 19 was entered December 16, 2020. 20 DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020. 21 By: /s/ Christopher R. Oram 22 CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM Nevada Bar #004349 23 520 South Fourth Street., Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 24 Attorney for Defendant 25 CLEMON HUDSON 26 27 28

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#### **CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-18-783635-W**

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s) Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

C-15-309578-2 (Writ Related Case)

Location: Department 29 Judicial Officer: Jones, David M Filed on: 10/25/2018

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Cross-Reference Case A783635

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#### **CASE INFORMATION**

**Related Cases** Case Type: Writ of Habeas Corpus

> 10/25/2018 Open Status:

DATE **CASE ASSIGNMENT** 

**Current Case Assignment** 

A-18-783635-W Case Number Department 29 Court Date Assigned 10/31/2018 Judicial Officer Jones, David M

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**EVENTS** 

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Motion to Place on Calendar to Extend the Time for the Filing of the Supplemental Brief

08/06/2019 Clerk's Notice of Hearing

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Supplemental Brief Supplemental Brief in Support of Defendant's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Post-

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12/31/2019	Response Filed by: Plaintiff Of Nevada, State State's Response to Supplemental Brief in Support of Defendant's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus )Post-Conviction) and Request for Evidentiary Hearing)
01/16/2020	Petitioner's Reply Brief  Reply To State's Response To Defendant's Supplemental Brief In Support Of Petition For Writ Of Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction)
02/06/2020	Order for Production of Inmate  ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF INMATE
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12/18/2018	HEARINGS  ☐ Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)  12/18/2018, 01/29/2019  Matter Continued; Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details:  Alexis Plunkett, Esq. also present. Defendant NOT present, noting Defendant is in Federal custody. Mr. Oram advised he did not have a file noting that Ms. Plunkett had not requested the file from the prior attorney. Mr. Oram further advised that Mr. Mueller is not present and is in trial. Mr. Oram requested the State turn over their file. State had no objections. COURT ORDERED, the State turn over the file within 45 DAYS. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, matter SET for Status Check. 03/12/19 8:30 AM STATUS CHECK; Matter Continued; Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details:

#### CASE SUMMARY

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Mr. Oram advised Deft. had different counsel for both trial and sentencing. Further, Mr. Oram noted he had written to both previous counsel, Craig Mueller, Esq., and Alexis Plunkett, Esq., who both claimed they did not have Deft's file and stated the other counsel had it. State offered to provide Mr. Oram with copies of all discoverable material but could not provide any work product. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED; Mr. Mueller and Ms. Plunkett are to appear and explain why they do not have Deft's file. NDC CONTINUED TO: 1/29/19 8:30 AM CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was placed in the attorney folder(s) of: Craig Mueller, Esq., (MUELLER HINDS & ASSOCIATES) and Alexis Plunkett, Esq. 12/21/18/mt;

03/12/2019

Status Check (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M) 03/12/2019, 04/09/2019

Status Check: File

#### MINUTES

Matter Continued:

Briefing Schedule Set;

Journal Entry Details:

Deft. not present; incarcerated in Nevada Department of Corrections (NDC). Mr. Oram confirmed he received the file; and requested a briefing schedule. Mr. Oram inquired to Ms. Demonte about trial transcripts. Court told counsel to contact the Court, if he cannot get the transcripts. COURT ORDERED, briefing schedule SET as follows: Deft's supplemental pleading due August 6, 2019; State's response due October 5, 2019; and Deft's reply due November 4, 2019. FURTHER, hearing SET. NDC 11/14/19 8:30 A.M. DEFT'S PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS (POST-CONVICTION);

Matter Continued;

Briefing Schedule Set;

Journal Entry Details:

Defendant NOT present. Mr. Oram advised this matter was on for the status of the file, noting the State has not yet provided him with the file, and requested the matter be continued 30 days. Court advised State to provide Mr. Oram with the file. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED. CONTINUED TO: 04/09/19 8:30 AM;

#### **SCHEDULED HEARINGS**

Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (01/28/2020 at 8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)

01/28/2020, 10/15/2020

Petition For Writ Of Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction)

09/10/2019

Motion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)

Motion to Place on Calendar to Extend the Time for the Filing of the Supplemental Brief Granted;

Journal Entry Details:

Ms. Folksted requested additional time for Mr. Oram to file a supplemental brief. Briefing schedule set. Supplemental Briefing DUE 12/10/19, State's Response DUE 01/10/20, Reply DUE 01/20/20. COURT ORDERED, Hearing SET. 01/28/20 8:30 AM HEARING;

01/14/2020

CANCELED Motion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)

Vacated

Motion to Place on Calendar to Extend the Time for the Filing of the Supplemental Brief

01/28/2020

Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M) 01/28/2020, 10/15/2020

Petition For Writ Of Habeas Corpus (Post-Conviction)

Hearing Set;

Granted in Part;

Journal Entry Details:

Testimony and exhibits presented (see worksheets). Argument by counsel. Argument by the State. COURT ORDERED, decision to issue via minute order. NDC;

Hearing Set;

Granted in Part;

Journal Entry Details:

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At the request of counsel, COURT ORDERED, matter SET for hearing; State to prepare Transport Order. Mr. Oram stated he would have one witness. 5/1/20 11:00 AM EVIDENTIARY HEARING:

04/15/2020

Minute Order (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

Pursuant to Administrative orders 20-01 through 20-06, COURT ORDERED, the matter scheduled on April 24, 2020 is rescheduled to June 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. CLERK'S NOTE: This minute order has been distributed to counsel via email. /mt;

12/03/2020

Minute Order (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Jones, David M)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

After review of all pleadings and evidence taken at the evidentiary hearing this Court finds Defendant was deprived of his right to direct appeal. As to all other issues raised in the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, all other issues are DENIED. Counsel for Defendant is to prepare the order GRANTED in part as to Direct Appeal and DENIED as to all other claims. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /mt;

#### DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

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# DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

THE STATE OF NEVADA,	)
Plaintiff, -vs- CLEMON HUDSON,	CASE NO: A-18-783635-W DEPT NO: XXIX
Defendant.	

### FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

DATE OF HEARING: October 15, 2020 TIME OF HEARING: 11:00 a.m.

THIS CAUSE having come on for hearing before the Honorable DAVID M. JONES, District Judge, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020, the Defendant being present, represented by CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, the Respondent being represented by STEVE WOLFSON, District Attorney, by and through Leah Beverly, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and the Court having considered the matter, including all briefs, transcripts, arguments of counsel, documents on file herein, and the testimony adduced from the Evidentiary Hearing, now therefore, the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

#### Procedural History

Mr. Hudson was charged by way of Indictment on September 23, 2015 as follows: Count 1: Conspiracy to Commit Burglary; Count 2: Attempt Burglary while in possession of a firearm or deadly weapon; Count 3: Attempt Murder with use of a deadly weapon; Count 4: Attempt Murder with use of a deadly weapon; Count 5: Battery with use of a deadly weapon resulting in substantial bodily harm; and Count 6: Discharging firearm at or into occupied structure, vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft. On October 1, 2015, Mr. Hudson was arraigned, pled not guilty and waived the sixty day rule.

On August 28, 2017, Mr. Hudson filed a motion to sever his case from co-defendant Steven Turner. Co-defendant Turner joined Mr. Hudson's motion on September 13, 2017. The State filed an opposition on September 18, 2019. The district court denied the motion for severance on October 12, 2017. Mr. Hudson renewed his motion for severance, but was again denied on November 16, 2017.

Mr. Hudson's trial began on April 16, 2018. On the first day of trial, the State filed an Amended Indictment dismissing count six. On April 27, 2018, the jury found Mr. Hudson guilty of all charges.

Mr. Hudson was sentenced on July 21, 2018, to an aggregate total of a maximum of 480 months with a minimum 168 months. Mr. Hudson received 1,022 days credit for time served. The Judgment of Conviction was filed July 2, 2018.

No direct appeal was filed on Mr. Hudson's behalf. On October 25, 2018, Mr. Hudson filed a timely post-conviction Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. Thereafter, supplemental briefing, through counsel, commenced. An Evidentiary Hearing took place on October 15, 2020, and the matter was taken under advisement.

#### Facts of the offense

Mr. Eric Clarkson was friends with Mr. Turner (JT Day 3 p. 57-58). Mr. Clarkson

did not know Mr. Hudson (JT Day 3 p. 80). Mr. Clarkson resided with his best friend Mr. Willoughby Potter de Grimaldi at a house located at 6729 Oveja Circle, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada (JT Day 3 p. 59-61, 92).

On September 4, 2015, around 3:30 a.m., Mr. Clarkson was in his bedroom watching television before going to sleep (JT Day 3 p. 61). Once Mr. Clarkson got into bed, he heard his metal outdoor patio furniture being moved outside (JT Day 3 p. 63-64). This caused Mr. Clarkson to look out the window where he saw a young African American man outside on the patio (JT Day 3 p. 65). Then, Mr. Clarkson grabbed his phone, let his roommate know what he saw and contacted 911 to report that someone was in his backyard (JT Day 3 p. 65). Moments later, Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi heard someone banging on the front door and Mr. Grimaldi saw a figure outside (JT Day 3 p. 68, 97-98).

When Mr. Grimaldi went to the back window, he saw a shirtless African American man with a billed cap on his head, racking a shotgun (JT Day 3 p. 95, 119). When Mr. Grimaldi looked out the window, he saw a tall African American man with an afro wearing basketball shorts (JT Day 3 p. 98-99). Mr. Grimaldi then saw a third person out of the corner of his eye, describing the man as African American with a spiky afro (JT Day 3 p. 101-102). Mr. Grimaldi did not recognize any of the three individuals (JT Day 3 p. 104). Mr. Clarkson then relayed this information to the 911 operator (JT Day 3 p. 96-97).

When two police officers arrived (Officer Malik Grego-Smith and Officer Jeremy Robertson) Mr. Clarkson let them in the front door (JT Day 3 p. 71). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi explained to officers how to open the back door and then Officer Robertson opened the back door (JT Day 3 p. 71-72). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi recalled that immediately after the back door was opened there were gunshots (JT Day 3 p. 74-75, 107-108). Mr. Grimaldi had previously told detectives it was his belief that an officer fired the first gunshot, but testified at trial the first shots came from outside on the patio (JT Day 3 p. 124, 126-127). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi both saw different types of bullets enter

their home (JT Day 3 p. 75, 107-108). After the shots were fired, Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi hid in a bedroom (JT Day 3 p. 76).

Officer Malik Grego-Smith, along with Officer Jeremy Robertson, responded to a dispatch call regarding a prowler at the Oveja circle residence (JT Day 5 p. 62, 65). After requesting dispatch inform the homeowner to open the front door, Officer Grego-Smith and Officer Robertson enter the residence (JT Day 5 p. 70). Once in the residence, the officers developed a plan to "clear the backyard" to see if anyone was out there (JT Day 5 p. 72). Officer Robertson was to open the back door, and as he opened the door, Officer Grego-Smith would go through and Officer Robertson would follow (JT Day 5 p. 73). Officer Grego-Smith drew his weapon and as he stepped outside two shots were fired from outside on the patio, one striking Officer Robertson (JT Day 5 p. 73, 76). Officer Grego-Smith returned fire towards the patio, firing twelve shots (JT Day 5 p. 76; JT Day 7 p. 29-30).

Officer Grego-Smith testified he turned his flashlight on right when he started shooting and saw "a light-skinned black male with no shirt and purple basketball shorts" on the patio (JT Day 5 p. 78). The man was approximately three to four feet from him (JT Day 5 p. 90). Officer Grego-Smith recalled yelling, "Don't move, keep your hands up, don't move or I'll fucking shoot you." (JT Day 5 p. 80). Officer Grego-Smith immediately radioed dispatch to inform them that shots had been fired and Officer Robertson had been shot (JT Day 5 p. 80). When back up arrived, Officer Grego-Smith entered the backyard area and witnessed Mr. Hudson being taken into custody (JT Day 5 p. 82). Officer Grego-Smith testified at trial that Mr. Hudson was not the shirtless African American man he had seen in the backyard when he turned on his flashlight (JT Day 5 p. 86).

Officer Jeremy Robertson recalled he had just opened the back door to the patio of the residence when he was shot and fell to the ground (JT Day 5 p. 120). Officer Robertson was struck in the upper thigh, fracturing his femur (JT Day 5 p. 122, 128).

Sergeant Joshua Bitsko, a K-9 officer, responded to the Oveja residence (JT Day 4 p. 127, 135). Upon arriving at the residence, Sergeant Bitsko learned from the air unit that the suspect was laying in the backyard with a rifle next to him (JT Day 4 p. 140). A Beretta .25 caliber handgun was also located nearby (JT Day 4 p. 81). Sergeant Bitsko deployed his police dog into the backyard who located and began biting the suspect (JT Day 4 p. 140-143). The suspect complied with all commands, was taken into custody and identified as Clemon Hudson (JT Day 4 p. 32, 143-145).

Police secured a perimeter around the crime scene approximately a mile and a half by a mile wide in order to search for additional suspects (JT Day 4 p. 153). Detective Jeremy Vance spent approximately three and a half hours driving around the perimeter looking for the suspect described by officer Grego-Smith (JT Day 4 p. 153).

After being notified of a call concerning a suspicious person in a backyard, Detective Vance came upon Mr. Turner and began to question him (JT Day 4 p. 154-158). Detective Vance noticed Mr. Turner was injured given the blood on his pants (JT Day 4 p. 158). When questioned about the injury, Mr. Turner indicated his leg was caught on a fence at his friend's house (JT Day 4 p. 158). Detective Vance believed the injury was caused by a gunshot wound (JT Day 4 p. 158-159).

Ms. Stephanie Fletcher, a senior crime scene analyst with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department responded to the Oveja Circle residence (JT Day 5 p. 6). Twelve Speer .9 millimeter cartridge casings were recovered from the dining room area (JT Day 5 p. 14). There were three 7.62 rifle cartridge casings located on the backyard patio area (JT Day 5 p. 15). Analysts did not locate any expended shotgun shells or .25 caliber casings (JT Day 5 p. 16). Analysts located numerous shotgun pellets in the living room of the residence as well as pieces of a shotgun round located on top of the front window sill (JT Day 5 p. 32-34). Firearms recovered from the scene included a SKS rifle, a Mossberg 12-gauge shotgun and a Beretta .25 caliber handgun (JT Day 4 p. 78, 81).

Ms. Gayle Johnson, a forensic scientist with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, conducted latent print testing on several items (JT Day 6 p. 17-25). With regard to an AK-47 firearm, the analyst was unable to develop any suitable prints for testing (JT Day 6 p. 20). Two latent prints were recovered from a shotgun, both belonging to Mr. Hudson and located in the metal area above the trigger (JT Day 6 p. 23-24). DNA testing was conducted with regard to the firearms (JT Day 6 p. 29-48). No conclusions could be made about the DNA located on the rifle, the Mossberg shotgun or the Beretta handgun (JT Day 6 p. 35, 39-41).

A Toyota Camry located outside the residence was registered to Mr. Hudson's mother (JT Day 7 p. 50-51).

When analysts recovered the shotgun the State alleged Mr. Hudson to be holding, it was inoperable due to damage sustained (JT Day 7 p. 118-122). A fragment was removed from the shotgun, but analysts were unable to determine what weapon the fragment originated (JT Day 7 p. 136).

In September of 2015, Mr. Craig Jex was employed as a Detective with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (JT Day 6 p. 58). Mr. Jex documented Officer Robertson's injuries at the hospital (JT Day 6 p. 60-61). While at the hospital, Mr. Jex came into contact with Mr. Hudson and conducted an interview with him (JT Day 6 p. 61).

Mr. Jex testified Mr. Hudson relayed to him that he went to the house to obtain marijuana that night and no one was supposed to be home (JT Day 6 p. 65, 86). Mr. Hudson told him there was only one other person involved and the plan was to break in the back window of the residence (JT Day 6 p. 66-67, 74). When Mr. Jex questioned Mr. Hudson as to whether he brought and carried the shotgun, he indicated he did (JT Day 6 p. 66-67, 76-78). Mr. Hudson informed Mr. Jex that there was an SKS rifle and a shotgun in the backyard (JT Day 6 p. 76). Mr. Hudson also told Mr. Jex that he had also brought a small firearm in his shoe (JT Day 6 p. 78-80).

During the interview, Mr. Hudson told Mr. Jex he was not sure if he fired the shotgun, but if he did, he fired once (JT Day 6 p. 77, 88). Mr. Hudson indicated he shot towards the bottom of the window (JT Day 6 p. 78). It was Mr. Hudson's belief that the officers started shooting first (JT Day 6 p. 90).

Detective Eduardo Pazos conducted an interview with Mr. Turner (JT Day 6 p. 96-97). Mr. Turner told police that "someone came to pick him up" around midnight and it was just the two of them in the car (JT Day 6 p. 101, 104). When Mr. Turner got in the car, he saw two guns in the back (JT Day 6 p. 103-104). Mr. Turner indicated the SKS rifle belonged to his uncle (JT Day 6 p. 102, 105).

Mr. Turner explained to Detective Pazos that when he entered the backyard of the residence, shots were fired (JT Day 6 p. 105). When the shots were fired, he hopped over the wall to the back of the house (JT Day 6 p. 105). Mr. Turner told Detective Pazos that after he hopped over the wall, he sat on a couch he found in the neighborhood for a while and then began walking to a friend's house (JT Day 6 p. 105). As he was walking to a friend's house, he encountered police (JT Day 6 p. 105).

Mr. Turner told Detective Pazos he had been in the house before and knew who lived there (JT Day 6 p. 108). Mr. Turner admitted he was there to steal weed and if there was any money in the house, he would have taken that as well (JT Day 6 p. 108-110). Mr. Turner denied having a gun in his hand during the incident or firing a weapon (JT Day 6 p. 116-117). Mr. Turner indicated that when the shooting began, he ran away (JT Day 6 p. 112-113, 116).

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Mr. Hudson was wrongfully deprived of his right under established law to a direct appeal and is entitled to relief pursuant to Lozada v. State, 110 Nev. 349, 871 P.2d 944 (1994) and NRAP 4(c).

In this case, Mr. Hudson was deprived of his right to a direct appeal based upon

counsel's rendering of ineffective assistance. As such, Mr. Hudson is permitted to file an untimely notice of appeal. Here, given the serious nature of the offenses for which he has been convicted and the lengthy sentence received, Mr. Hudson naturally desired to appeal the instant conviction. Due to counsel's failure, Mr. Hudson never received such an opportunity. In circumstances such as this, the Nevada Supreme Court has held the defendant must be granted an untimely direct appeal. This Court agrees and hereby directs the district court clerk to prepare and file, within 7 days of the entry of the instant order, a Notice of Appeal from the judgment of conviction and sentence on the petitioner's behalf in substantially the form provided in Form 1 in the Appendix of Forms in accordance with NRAP 4(c).

## A. STATE AND FEDERAL AUTHORITY PERMITS AN UNTIMELY DIRECT APPEAL UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

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#### <u>ORDER</u>

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David M Jones
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DATE OF HEARING: October 15, 2020 TIME OF HEARING: 11:00 a.m.

THIS CAUSE having come on for hearing before the Honorable DAVID M. JONES, District Judge, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020, the Defendant being present, represented by CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, the Respondent being represented by STEVE WOLFSON, District Attorney, by and through Leah Beverly, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and the Court having considered the matter, including all briefs, transcripts, arguments of counsel, documents on file herein, and the testimony adduced from the Evidentiary Hearing, now therefore, the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

#### Procedural History

Mr. Hudson was charged by way of Indictment on September 23, 2015 as follows: Count 1: Conspiracy to Commit Burglary; Count 2: Attempt Burglary while in possession of a firearm or deadly weapon; Count 3: Attempt Murder with use of a deadly weapon; Count 4: Attempt Murder with use of a deadly weapon; Count 5: Battery with use of a deadly weapon resulting in substantial bodily harm; and Count 6: Discharging firearm at or into occupied structure, vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft. On October 1, 2015, Mr. Hudson was arraigned, pled not guilty and waived the sixty day rule.

On August 28, 2017, Mr. Hudson filed a motion to sever his case from co-defendant Steven Turner. Co-defendant Turner joined Mr. Hudson's motion on September 13, 2017. The State filed an opposition on September 18, 2019. The district court denied the motion for severance on October 12, 2017. Mr. Hudson renewed his motion for severance, but was again denied on November 16, 2017.

Mr. Hudson's trial began on April 16, 2018. On the first day of trial, the State filed an Amended Indictment dismissing count six. On April 27, 2018, the jury found Mr. Hudson guilty of all charges.

Mr. Hudson was sentenced on July 21, 2018, to an aggregate total of a maximum of 480 months with a minimum 168 months. Mr. Hudson received 1,022 days credit for time served. The Judgment of Conviction was filed July 2, 2018.

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#### Facts of the offense

Mr. Eric Clarkson was friends with Mr. Turner (JT Day 3 p. 57-58). Mr. Clarkson

did not know Mr. Hudson (JT Day 3 p. 80). Mr. Clarkson resided with his best friend Mr. Willoughby Potter de Grimaldi at a house located at 6729 Oveja Circle, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada (JT Day 3 p. 59-61, 92).

On September 4, 2015, around 3:30 a.m., Mr. Clarkson was in his bedroom watching television before going to sleep (JT Day 3 p. 61). Once Mr. Clarkson got into bed, he heard his metal outdoor patio furniture being moved outside (JT Day 3 p. 63-64). This caused Mr. Clarkson to look out the window where he saw a young African American man outside on the patio (JT Day 3 p. 65). Then, Mr. Clarkson grabbed his phone, let his roommate know what he saw and contacted 911 to report that someone was in his backyard (JT Day 3 p. 65). Moments later, Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi heard someone banging on the front door and Mr. Grimaldi saw a figure outside (JT Day 3 p. 68, 97-98).

When Mr. Grimaldi went to the back window, he saw a shirtless African American man with a billed cap on his head, racking a shotgun (JT Day 3 p. 95, 119). When Mr. Grimaldi looked out the window, he saw a tall African American man with an afro wearing basketball shorts (JT Day 3 p. 98-99). Mr. Grimaldi then saw a third person out of the corner of his eye, describing the man as African American with a spiky afro (JT Day 3 p. 101-102). Mr. Grimaldi did not recognize any of the three individuals (JT Day 3 p. 104). Mr. Clarkson then relayed this information to the 911 operator (JT Day 3 p. 96-97).

When two police officers arrived (Officer Malik Grego-Smith and Officer Jeremy Robertson) Mr. Clarkson let them in the front door (JT Day 3 p. 71). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi explained to officers how to open the back door and then Officer Robertson opened the back door (JT Day 3 p. 71-72). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi recalled that immediately after the back door was opened there were gunshots (JT Day 3 p. 74-75, 107-108). Mr. Grimaldi had previously told detectives it was his belief that an officer fired the first gunshot, but testified at trial the first shots came from outside on the patio (JT Day 3 p. 124, 126-127). Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Grimaldi both saw different types of bullets enter

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Ms. Stephanie Fletcher, a senior crime scene analyst with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department responded to the Oveja Circle residence (JT Day 5 p. 6). Twelve Speer .9 millimeter cartridge casings were recovered from the dining room area (JT Day 5 p. 14). There were three 7.62 rifle cartridge casings located on the backyard patio area (JT Day 5 p. 15). Analysts did not locate any expended shotgun shells or .25 caliber casings (JT Day 5 p. 16). Analysts located numerous shotgun pellets in the living room of the residence as well as pieces of a shotgun round located on top of the front window sill (JT Day 5 p. 32-34). Firearms recovered from the scene included a SKS rifle, a Mossberg 12-gauge shotgun and a Beretta .25 caliber handgun (JT Day 4 p. 78, 81).

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#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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Thus, when a defendant has been convicted pursuant to a jury verdict, counsel has a constitutional duty to inform the client of the right to appeal. *Lozada* 110 Nev. at 356. Counsel's failure to do so is deficient performance for purposes of proving an ineffective assistance of counsel claim. *Roe v. Flores-Ortega*, 528 U.S. 470, 477–81, 120 S. Ct. 1029 (2000).

# B. MR. HUDSON WAS DEPRIVED OF HIS RIGHT TO A DIRECT APPEAL AND IS HEREBY PERMITTED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AN UNIMELY DIRECT APPEAL.

In order to prevail, Mr. Hudson must demonstrate by a preponderance of the evidence that 1) he filed a timely post-conviction Petition, and 2) his attorney had a duty to perfect an appeal because Mr. Hudson either expressed a desire to appeal, indicated dissatisfaction with his conviction, or his desire to challenge the conviction or sentence

can be reasonably inferred from the totality of the circumstances. *See Lozada v. State*, 110 Nev. at 354–57; *Toston*, 127 Nev. at 976–79. Mr. Hudson need not demonstrate prejudice as it is presumed. *Lozada*, 110 Nev. at 356–57. Mr. Hudson has demonstrated as such.

First, in this case, there is no question that Mr. Hudson filed a timely post-conviction petition. Mr. Hudson's Judgment of Conviction was filed on July 2, 2018. On October 25, 2018, Mr. Hudson filed a timely Petition noting he received ineffective assistance of counsel for counsel's failure to preserve his appellate rights (Petition, p. 3). Supplemental briefing was thereafter permitted. Thus, Mr. Hudson can demonstrate he began a timely post-conviction proceeding.

Next, Mr. Hudson can demonstrate that he was deprived of a direct appeal due to ineffective assistance of counsel not only because he expressed a desire that his direct appeal be perfected, but also because his desire to challenge the conviction can be reasonably inferred from the totality of the circumstances. This Court reviewed a declaration from Mr. Hudson confirming he expressed his desire to counsel that an appeal be filed on his behalf (Supplemental Brief, Exhibit A). Further, the nature and severity of the offenses, including the fact that Mr. Hudson proceeded to trial, demonstrated his desire to continue to challenge the conviction.

Additionally, counsel's own statements demonstrate not only Mr. Hudson's desire for an appeal, but counsel's awareness that an appeal was to be filed. During Mr. Hudson's sentencing on June 21, 2018, counsel stated: "Yes, Judge, and as I stated, I advised him, due to the mandatory appeal, to not give a statement today." (emphasis added) (Reporter's Transcript of Sentencing, p. 14) (Supplemental Brief, Exhibit B). Counsel continued, "I believe we are here because Mr. Hudson got some very bad advice, and I don't believe that we should be here at a sentencing following a jury verdict, but hopefully that will be addressed on appeal." (Emphasis added) (Reporter's Transcript of

Sentencing, p. 14) (Exhibit B).

Unfortunately, counsel failed to preserve his direct appeal. The totality of the circumstances demonstrates Mr. Hudson's desire for preservation of his direct appeal and such a fact is obvious from a plain review of the record. In this case, Mr. Hudson received ineffective assistance of counsel concerning his right to file an appeal because a review of the record reveals that counsel was required to file the notice of appeal and failed to do so. In such a case, prejudice is presumed. This Court therefore grants the petition with regard to the failure to file a direct appeal.

Having carefully considered the record, pleadings on file herein, and evidence adduced at the Evidentiary Hearing, this Court is convinced that based upon the above Mr. Hudson has demonstrated he was deprived of his right to a direct appeal.

With regard to all other issues raised: alleged failure to object to jury instruction 38 (a flight instruction), alleged failure to object to jury instruction numbers 40 and 50, and alleged cumulative error, they are denied.

#### <u>ORDER</u>

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Petition for Post-Conviction Relief shall be, granted in part and denied in part as described within this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the district court clerk is to prepare and file, within 7 days of the entry of the instant order, a Notice of Appeal from the judgment of conviction and sentence on the petitioner's behalf in substantially the form provided in Form 1 in the Appendix of Forms in accordance with NRAP 4(c).

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other issues raised: alleged failure to object to jury instruction 38 (a flight instruction), alleged failure to object to jury instruction numbers 40 and 50, and alleged cumulative error, they are denied.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2020
DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

DISTRICT JUDGE
DCB 729 0934 B825
David M Jones
District Court Judge

SUBMITTED BY:

/s/ Christopher R. Oram, Esq. CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ. NEVADA BAR NO. 4349 520 SOUTH 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89101 TELEHPONE: (702) 598-1471

Attorney for Defendant CLEMON HUDSON

**CSERV** DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s) CASE NO: A-18-783635-W DEPT. NO. Department 29 VS. Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s) **AUTOMATED CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** This automated certificate of service was generated by the Eighth Judicial District Court. The foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was served via the court's electronic eFile system to all recipients registered for e-Service on the above entitled case as listed below: Service Date: 12/16/2020 Christopher Oram contact@christopheroramlaw.com Jessie Folkestad jfolkestad@christopheroramlaw.com 

Writ of Habeas Corpus

**COURT MINUTES** 

December 18, 2018

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

December 18, 2018

8:30 AM

**Petition for Writ of Habeas** 

Corpus

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT:

Demonte, Noreen C.

Attorney

Oram, Christopher R

Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Mr. Oram advised Deft. had different counsel for both trial and sentencing. Further, Mr. Oram noted he had written to both previous counsel, Craig Mueller, Esq., and Alexis Plunkett, Esq., who both claimed they did not have Deft's file and stated the other counsel had it. State offered to provide Mr. Oram with copies of all discoverable material but could not provide any work product. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED; Mr. Mueller and Ms. Plunkett are to appear and explain why they do not have Deft's file.

**NDC** 

CONTINUED TO: 1/29/19 8:30 AM

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was placed in the attorney folder(s) of: Craig Mueller,

Esq., (MUELLER HINDS & ASSOCIATES) and Alexis Plunkett, Esq. 12/21/18 /mt

PRINT DATE: 12/17/2020 Page 1 of 9 Minutes Date: December 18, 2018

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**COURT MINUTES** 

January 29, 2019

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

January 29, 2019

8:30 AM

**Petition for Writ of Habeas** 

Corpus

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Nancy Maldonado

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT:

Oram, Christopher R Zadrowski, Bernard B. Attorney Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Alexis Plunkett, Esq. also present.

Defendant NOT present, noting Defendant is in Federal custody. Mr. Oram advised he did not have a file noting that Ms. Plunkett had not requested the file from the prior attorney. Mr. Oram further advised that Mr. Mueller is not present and is in trial. Mr. Oram requested the State turn over their file. State had no objections. COURT ORDERED, the State turn over the file within 45 DAYS. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, matter SET for Status Check.

03/12/19 8:30 AM STATUS CHECK

Writ of Habeas Corpus

#### **COURT MINUTES**

March 12, 2019

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

March 12, 2019

8:30 AM

**Status Check** 

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Nancy Maldonado

**RECORDER:** Sandra Pruchnic

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Demonte, Noreen C.

Attorney

Oram, Christopher R

Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Defendant NOT present. Mr. Oram advised this matter was on for the status of the file, noting the State has not yet provided him with the file, and requested the matter be continued 30 days. Court advised State to provide Mr. Oram with the file. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED.

CONTINUED TO: 04/09/19 8:30 AM

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#### **COURT MINUTES**

April 09, 2019

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

April 09, 2019

8:30 AM

Status Check

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Susan Botzenhart

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Demonte, Noreen C. Attorney

Oram, Christopher R

Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Deft. not present; incarcerated in Nevada Department of Corrections (NDC). Mr. Oram confirmed he received the file; and requested a briefing schedule. Mr. Oram inquired to Ms. Demonte about trial transcripts. Court told counsel to contact the Court, if he cannot get the transcripts. COURT ORDERED, briefing schedule SET as follows: Deft's supplemental pleading due August 6, 2019; State's response due October 5, 2019; and Deft's reply due November 4, 2019. FURTHER, hearing SET.

**NDC** 

11/14/19 8:30 A.M. DEFT'S PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS (POST-CONVICTION)

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**COURT MINUTES** 

**September 10, 2019** 

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

**September 10, 2019** 

8:30 AM

Motion

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Nancy Maldonado

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT:

Folkestad, Jessie Lee Attorney

Zadrowski, Bernard B.

Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Ms. Folksted requested additional time for Mr. Oram to file a supplemental brief. Briefing schedule set. Supplemental Briefing DUE 12/10/19, State's Response DUE 01/10/20, Reply DUE 01/20/20. COURT ORDERED, Hearing SET.

01/28/20 8:30 AM HEARING

PRINT DATE: 12/17/2020 Page 5 of 9 Minutes Date: December 18, 2018

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**COURT MINUTES** 

January 28, 2020

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

January 28, 2020

8:30 AM

**Petition for Writ of Habeas** 

Corpus

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Louisa Garcia

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT:

Oram, Christopher R

Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- At the request of counsel, COURT ORDERED, matter SET for hearing; State to prepare Transport Order. Mr. Oram stated he would have one witness.

5/1/20 11:00 AM EVIDENTIARY HEARING

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**COURT MINUTES** 

April 15, 2020

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

April 15, 2020

3:00 AM

**Minute Order** 

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** PRESENT:

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Pursuant to Administrative orders 20-01 through 20-06, COURT ORDERED, the matter scheduled on April 24, 2020 is rescheduled to June 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

CLERK'S NOTE: This minute order has been distributed to counsel via email. /mt

Writ of Habeas Corpus

**COURT MINUTES** 

October 15, 2020

A-18-783635-W

State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)

Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

October 15, 2020

11:00 AM

**Petition for Writ of Habeas** 

Corpus

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 15A

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** 

Melissa Delgado-Murphy

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT:

Beverly, Leah C Attorney Hudson, Clemon Defendant

Oram, Christopher R

Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Testimony and exhibits presented (see worksheets). Argument by counsel. Argument by the State. COURT ORDERED, decision to issue via minute order.

**NDC** 

PRINT DATE: 12/17/2020 Page 8 of 9 Minutes Date: December 18, 2018

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State Of Nevada, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Clemon Hudson, Defendant(s)

December 03, 2020 3:00 AM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Jones, David M **COURTROOM:** Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- After review of all pleadings and evidence taken at the evidentiary hearing this Court finds Defendant was deprived of his right to direct appeal. As to all other issues raised in the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, all other issues are DENIED.

Counsel for Defendant is to prepare the order GRANTED in part as to Direct Appeal and DENIED as to all other claims.

CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /mt

PRINT DATE: 12/17/2020 Page 9 of 9 Minutes Date: December 18, 2018

EXHIBIT(S) LIST

Case No.:	A783635	Hearing Date:	Hearing Date: 10115/20		
Dept. No.:	XXIX	Judge:	DAVID M. JONES		
		Court Clerk:	MICHAELA TAPIA		
STATE'S: State of Nevada		Recorder:	MELISSA MURPHY		
		Counsel for Plaintiff: Leah Beverly			
	VS.		J		
DEFENDANT'S: Clemon Hudson		Counsel for Defendant: Ohristopher Oram			
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## **HEARING BEFORE THE COURT**

## STATE'S EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Date Offered	Objection	Date Admitted	
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## **Certification of Copy**

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<b>County of Clark</b>		

I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the hereinafter stated original document(s):

NOTICE OF APPEAL; CASE APPEAL STATEMENT; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ODER; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES; EXHIBITS LIST

CLEMON HUDSON,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Defendant(s),

now on file and of record in this office.

Case No: A-18-783635-W

Dept No: XXIX

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 17 day of December 2020.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk