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Case Number: DA 25-0652

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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GINA McWILLIAM,

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Plaintiff and Appellee,

Bowen Greenwood Clerk of Supreme Court State of Montana

V.

ORDER

NATE VINCENT,

Defendant and Appellant.

Representing himself, Nate Vincent has filed a verified Petition for Out-of-Time Appeal, indicating that he improperly filed a timely Notice of appeal with the Flathead County District Court and that he was waiting for a copy of the written judgment. Vincent includes a copy of the final judgment. On April 7, 2025, the District Court issued a judgment for damages as well as attorney fees and costs after a bench trial. Vincent includes a copy of the court's register of actions wherein Vincent sought relief through various pleadings and motions since the court's judgment.

M. R. App. P. 4(6) allows this Court to grant an out-of-time appeal "[i]n the infrequent harsh case and under extraordinary circumstances amounting to a gross miscarriage of justice[.]"

Upon review, we conclude that Vincent has demonstrated extraordinary circumstances, entitling him to an appeal. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Vincent's Petition for an Out-of-Time Appeal is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Vincent SHALL prepare, file, and serve a Notice of Appeal with this Court on or before Tuesday, October 7, 2025. Failure to do so may result in dismissal of this appeal.

The Clerk of the Supreme Court is directed to provide a copy of this Order to all parties along with copies of this Court's Civil Appellate Handbook.

DATED this day of September, 2025.

Chief Justice

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Justices