

State v. District Court

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Per Curiam:

This petition for a writ of certiorari challenges an order of the district court ruling that individuals charged with violating NRS 484.379 are entitled to a jury trial, reversing the conviction of the real party in interest herein, and remanding the matter to the justice's court for a jury trial. In Blanton v. North Las Vegas Mun. Ct. 103 Nev. 623, 748 P.2d 494 (1987), this court concluded that driving under the influence of alcohol, when charged as a misdemeanor, is a "petty" offense for which trial by jury is not constitutionally mandated. See also Baldwin v. New York, 399 U.S. 66 (1970); State v. Smith, 99 Nev. 806, 672 P.2d 631 (1983). Our holding in Blanton applies whether the individual is charged in municipal court or justice's court. Respondent has presented no authorities or arguments not considered by this court in reaching its decision in Blanton. Accordingly, we grant this petition. 1