

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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In re PETER SZANTO,)	
Debtor.)	
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PETER SZANTO,)	
Plaintiff,)	
vs.)	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA et al.,)	
Defendants.)	
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Case No. 3:14-cv-00322-RCJ
Bankr. No. 13-bk-51261-BTB

ORDER

Plaintiff–Debtor Peter Szanto asked the Court to withdraw the reference of his Chapter 11 bankruptcy case in its entirety based upon the alleged bias of the bankruptcy judge. The Court denied the motion, noting that: (1) the bankruptcy case had been dismissed on June 17, 2014; (2) the motion to withdraw the reference had been filed on June 18, 2014; and (3) a notice of appeal had been filed on June 19, 2014. Plaintiff–Debtor has asked the Court to reconsider and reopen his bankruptcy case. The Court denies the motion. The bankruptcy case has been appealed. This Court is presiding over that appeal, but the Court’s jurisdiction over the appeal under 28 U.S.C. § 158(a) does not give the Court jurisdiction to enter substantive orders in the

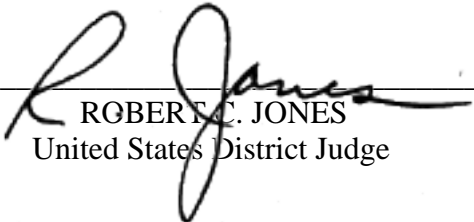
bankruptcy case itself while the appeal is pending. Plaintiff-Debtor's avenue of relief at this stage is via the appeal.

CONCLUSION

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Motions to Reconsider and Reopen Case (ECF Nos. 9, 12) are DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: This 16th day of September, 2014.


ROBERT E. JONES
United States District Judge