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Via Email to nvscclerk@nvcourts.nv.gov Elizabeth A. Brown Clerk of the Supreme Court 201 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Administrative Docket 576

Dear Honorable Chief Justice Hardesty,

Recently on February 25, 2021 I became aware of Administrative Docket 576 In Re: The Matter of the Creation of a Commission to Study the Adjudication of Water Law Cases, the Petition, and the Order Scheduling Public Hearing. I write requesting permission, should the Court so allow, for submission of my below comments, and request to participate in the March 3, 2021 Public Hearing. Should a commission be created I am available to serve.

As a water rights owner, water rights surveyor, engineer, planner, and previous domestic well representative on the Regional Water Planning Commission of Washoe County (12 years) and the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (12 more years) I am interested in the creation of the Commission to Study the Adjudication of Water Law Cases. Recently I received signatures of support from 147 domestic well owners in Northern Nevada for a potential reappointment to serve on the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission.

I believe it would be beneficial that the Court consider including a water planning expert engineer in the Commission membership representing the minority interests of:

- 1. Small water rights owners
- 2. Domestic well owners
- Owners of contemporary water rights from other sources, such as development runoff or flood waters

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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