

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL
OF AMENDMENTS TO SUPREME
COURT RULES 8 AND 9.

ADKT No. 297

FILED

JUN 01 2007

ORDER SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING
TO REVIEW THE OPERATION OF THE
JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF NEVADA BY

JANETTE M. BLOOM
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
J. Schade
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2000, the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada petitioned this court to amend Supreme Court Rules 8 and 9; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2001, this court entered an order repealing Supreme Court Rules 8 and 9 and adopting new Supreme Court Rules 8 and 9 to govern the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada and the Regional Judicial Councils; and

WHEREAS, this court has not examined the operations and responsibilities of the Nevada Judicial Council since then and, given the unprecedented growth of the State and of the Nevada Judicial System, the court has determined that a review of the Council and its role is warranted; accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

The clerk of this court shall schedule a public hearing for Thursday, June 21, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. in the Nevada Supreme Court Courtroom, 201 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

The court will address the following issues at the public hearing:


1. Whether the Nevada Judicial Council and the Regional Judicial Councils are fulfilling their intended purposes as described in Supreme Court Rules 8 and 9?

2. Whether the Nevada Judicial Council and Regional Judicial Councils remain viable organizations or have the Nevada District Judges' Association and the Nevada Judges' Association rendered the Council obsolete?
3. If the Nevada Judicial Council and/or the Regional Judicial Councils are to continue, what changes should be effectuated to redefine their purposes and responsibilities?
4. If the Nevada Judicial Council and/or the Regional Judicial Councils are to continue, what should the Administrative Office of the Courts' role be with respect to the Nevada Judicial Council and the Regional Judicial Councils?

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that representatives of the Nevada Judicial Council, or their designees, shall appear before this court on June 21st to address the issues outlined above and any other issues of concern to the Council. The Nevada Judicial Council may also submit written comments or materials to the clerk of this court on these issues.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the State Court Administrator and Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and any district judge, justice of the peace, or municipal court judge may appear before this court on June 21st or submit written comments to the clerk of this court on the issues outlined above.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2007.


_____, C.J.
Maupin

cc: Ron Titus, Secretary, Judicial Council of the State of Nevada
Vickie Elefante, AOC Court Services Analyst
All District Court Judges
All Justices of the Peace
All Municipal Court Judges