

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL
OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE
BYLAWS OF THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL
OF AMENDMENTS TO SUPREME
COURT RULE 9

ORDER AMENDING SUPREME COURT RULE 9

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, the voters approved a Constitutional amendment establishing a Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the judges for the Court of Appeals took office on January 5, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this court has determined that the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals should be a member of the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada; accordingly

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Supreme Court Rule 9 shall be amended and the rule shall read as set forth in Exhibit A.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment to the Supreme Court Rules shall be effective 30 days from the date of this order. The clerk of this court shall cause a notice of entry of this order to be published in the official publication of the State Bar of Nevada. Publication of this order shall be accomplished by the clerk disseminating copies of this order to all subscribers of the advance sheets of the Nevada Reports and all persons and agencies listed in NRS 2.345, and to the executive director of the State Bar of Nevada. The certificate of the clerk of this court as to the accomplishment of the above-described publication

of notice of entry and dissemination of this order shall be conclusive evidence of the adoption and publication of the foregoing rules.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2015.

Hardesty, C.J.
Hardesty

Parraguirre, J.
Parraguirre

Douglas, J.
Douglas

Cherry, J.
Cherry

Saitta, J.
Saitta

Gibbons, J.
Gibbons

Pickering, J.
Pickering

cc: Robin Sweet, State Court Administrator

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AMENDMENT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 9

Rule 9. Judicial Council of the State of Nevada.

1. **Creation, composition.** There is hereby created a judicial council of the State of Nevada which shall supersede the council established by former Supreme Court Rule 9 and it shall be composed of the members of each regional judicial council, the chief justice, who shall serve as chair, and the vice-chief justice. The chief judge of the Nevada Court of Appeals, or the chief judge's designee, shall be a member of the judicial council. If not otherwise a member, the presidents of the Nevada District Judges Association and Nevada Judges of Limited Jurisdiction Association shall each be an ex-officio member to provide additional information to the judicial council of the State of Nevada on behalf of their respective associations. If otherwise a member, the presidents of the Nevada District Judges Association and the Nevada Judges of Limited Jurisdiction Association shall appoint a voting designate to represent their respective association. The state court administrator, Clark region district court administrator and Washoe region district court administrator shall each be a non-voting, ex-officio member of the judicial council of the State of Nevada. All members of the council are voting members except the three court administrators.

2. **Meetings.** The judicial council of the State of Nevada shall meet at least once every four months.

3. **Purpose.** The judicial council of the State of Nevada shall, at a minimum:

(a) Develop and recommend to the supreme court policies for the administration of the judiciary.

(b) Consider issues forwarded to it by the supreme court and/or chief justice.

(c) Review and approve proposed legislation affecting the courts submitted by the Nevada District Judges Association, the Nevada Judges of Limited Jurisdiction Association, and the various courts that make up the Nevada judicial branch.

(d) Recommend legislation and/or rules affecting the courts to the supreme court.

(e) Establish committees to develop minimum standards, to be recommended to the supreme court for, at a minimum:

(1) Judicial administrative performance;

(2) Education and training for judges;

(3) Education and training for court support staff;

(4) Court facilities;

(5) Court security;

(6) Court technology;

(7) Court staffing;

(8) Resolving intra-court discrepancies submitted to the council by one or more courts;

(9) Resolving discrepancies between the courts and outside organizations submitted to the council by a court or by the outside organization.

Such committees exist at the will of the council and may be convened, suspended, reconvened, or eliminated at the direction of the council at any time. Other committees may also be established to consider and make recommendations regarding other issues of concern to the Nevada judiciary.

(f) Develop recommendations to be approved by the supreme court for the improvement of Nevada's courts and the statewide court system.

(g) Review and recommend changes as needed to the annual report on the judiciary published by the administrative office of the courts.

(h) In coordination with the administrative office of the courts, seek and accept federal and private funding for the improvement of Nevada's courts and statewide court system.

(i) Establish procedures to be followed by the council to achieve its purpose.

4. **Support.** The administrative office of the courts shall provide support services to the council including, at a minimum:

(a) Developing and publishing regional judicial council and council of the State of Nevada agendas.

(b) Recording and publishing the council of the State of Nevada's meeting minutes.