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RE: Draft Policy regarding Preservation, Access and Sealing of Public Records

Dear Ms. Lindeman:

Having read the proposed policy draft for presumptively confidential documents, I am concerned about an omission from Section E(1), entitled Documents to be considered presumptively confidential. Nevada Revised Statutes 200.5095(1) states that records and investigations relating to abuse, neglect, exploitation or isolation of older people and vulnerable people are confidential.

I do not see these presumptively confidential documents listed in the new rule regarding the policy that was compiled by the Commission on Preservation Access, and Sealing of Court Records.

Often, Elder Protective Services receives a subpoena for case file records from a law office that has not been signed by the Court. Since we must keep the records confidential, we require the subpoenas to be signed by the court and then we petition the court to examine the records *in camera*. Including these documents as presumptively confidential in the new rule would put parties on notice of these requirements.

We request that the Court consider adding these documents to those that are considered presumptively confidential and non-public.

Singerely,

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