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**RE: ADKT 458**

Dear Ms. Lindeman:

I am writing as an individual and not in any official capacity regarding ADKT 458. As you are aware, the Supreme Court determined (after a hearing) that they would dissolve the Standing Committee on Judicial Ethics and Election Practices. I contacted the Standing Committee and requested that they remove all prior decisions from their website. The reason I requested this, is that the prior decisions were decided by the committee without considering Constitutional issues (see recorded hearing). This is clearly evidenced by the Federal District Court in the "Kishner" decision which ordered the Standing Committee to remove the decision from its records on the grounds the decision violated the First Amendment.

Since the Standing Committee at the hearing before the Supreme Court stated that they did not take into account constitutional issues, there is no reason to perpetuate decisions unless the Supreme Court wants to rule on the constitutionality of each case to provide legal precedent for the community. I requested the Standing Committee voluntarily remove the decisions and committee denied my request. Attached is the Chairman's response.

Although I don't think clarification is necessary, I would respectfully request the Supreme Court consider instructing the Committee to remove all prior decisions from their website as well as any links to former decisions and/or references to the same. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
RONALD J. ISRAEL

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Enclosure

cc: Chief Justice Nancy M. Saitta  
Justice Michael A. Cherry  
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July 18, 2010

Honorable Ron Israel  
District Judge, Department 28  
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Las Vegas, NV 89155

Re: Standing Committee Posting of Past Election Dispute Decisions

Dear Judge Israel:

I have conferred with Chairman Dan Reaser and Vice-Chairman Michael Pagni regarding your recent inquiry. They have instructed me to inform you that although the Nevada Supreme Court eliminated the Committee's dispute resolution function, there is little indication that the Court intended to eliminate from public view the past history of decisions that were made public pursuant to the rules enacted by the Court and in force at the time the decisions were rendered. Indeed, there was no discussion of that topic during the Court's hearing.

You are free to ask the Court to do so or to issue a clarification of the recent rule amendment if you believe our construction of the Court's intent differs from yours. Until instructed to do so by appropriate authority, we must respectfully decline your request to eliminate from our website the posted decisions dating back to 1998.

Thank you for your inquiry. Please feel free to contact me if you have any need for clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David F. Sarnowski".

David F. Sarnowski

Executive Director and General Counsel

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cc: Tracie Lindeman, Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court

Dan R. Reaser, Esq.

Michael A.T. Pagni, Esq.