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#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF
AMENDMENTS
TO THE SUPREME COURT RULE
216: CLIENT INTEREST BEARING
TRUST ACCOUNTS; CREATION
OF FOUNDATION.

**ADKT NO.:** 0479

CLERKOT SUPREME COURT

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RESPONSE TO EMERGENCY PETITION UNDER NRAP 27(e), REQUESTING CLARIFICATION FROM COURT ON CONDITIONS TO APPOINTMENT OF NBF AS IOLTA FOUNDATION

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COMES NOW Petitioner State Bar of Nevada (the State Bar) and the Nevada Bar Foundation ("NBF") and files this Response to the "Nevada Bar Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada's Emergency Petition Under NRAP 27(e) Requesting Clarification From Court On Conditions to Appointment of NBF as IOLTA

15 | Foundation" ("JLN Petition").

#### I. Procedural Background

On July 31, 2014, the court issued an "Order Designating Foundation Under Supreme Court Rule 216 and Directing Transfer of All IOLTA Assets, Books and Records to Foundation" ("Order"). In pertinent part, the Order states:

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the NBF is appointed as the designated SCR 216 IOLTA foundation in place and instead of the JLN effective August 31, 2014, on the condition that the NBF convert its status from that of private foundation to one of public charity in order to avoid excise tax liability and maximize charitable benefit;

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the JLN transfer all IOLTA funds, books kanderecords to the NBF no later than August 31, 2014,

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according to the terms set forth in the Reply filed by the Board of Governors on July 28, 2014;

[Order, pp. 1-2].

On August 21, 2014 the Nevada Bar Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada filed the JLN Petition requesting the following:

- 1. Clarification of the Order's condition "that the NBF convert its status from that of private foundation to one of public charity in order to avoid excise tax liability and maximize charitable benefit; and
- 2. An order that the NBF provide the JLN with copies of its organizational documents.

#### II. History of the NBF

The NBF was incorporated on December 19, 1997 as a Nevada nonprofit corporation under NRS Chapter 82. [Exhibit 1, attached].

By letter dated January 20, 1999 to the NBF, the IRS determined that the NBF was exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") as an organization described in section 501(c)(3). The letter also constituted an advance ruling that the NBF could reasonably be expected to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). [Exhibit 2, attached].

By letter dated August 26, 2002 to the NBF, however, the IRS determined that NBF was a private foundation because it could not satisfy the public support test under the IRC to qualify as a public charity. It's only donation at the time of its request to become a public charity was by a single organization of a flag pole and memorial plaque which stands outside the State Bar's Las Vegas office at 600 E. Charleston [Exhibit 3, attached].

Since 2000, the primary function of the NBF was to receive federal grants to fund the We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution, Representative Democracy in America, and Project Citizen law related education programs until 2011 when all federal funding for these programs was cut.

Given the relative lack of activity (and the lack of public support) of the NBF in the recent past, the NBF has not sought to covert its status from a private foundation to a public charity.

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#### The NBF Will File This Week Its IRC 507(B)(1)(B): Notice of III. **Termination Of Private Foundation.**

Since the Order was issued the NBF has been preparing a Notice Under IRC 507(B)(1)(B): Termination Of Private Foundation Status By Operation As A Public Charity with Advance Ruling ("Termination Notice") with supporting documentation showing that the NBF can be expected to satisfy the requirements to be an IRC 509(A)(2) public charity within a 60 month period beginning January 1, 2015. The NBF will file the Termination Notice this week. If the IRS determines that, based upon the Termination Notice the NBF can reasonably be expected to satisfy the requirements of IRC 507(b)(1)(B)(i) during the 60-month period, the IRS will issue an advance ruling to that effect.

Even if an advance ruling is issued stating that the NBF can be expected to satisfy the requirements to be a public charity, the NBF must properly establish immediately after the 60-month period that it has met the requirements to be qualified a public charity. If the NBF meets the requirements to convert, it will be deemed to be operating as a public charity during the 60 month time period.

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## IV. The NBF Will Likely Qualify As a Public Charity Based Upon Its Receipt Of The IOLTA Funds During The 60 Month Period.

To satisfy the IRC 509(a)(2) public support test, during the 60-month period an organization must receive more than one-third of its support from contributions from the general public and/or from gross receipts from activities related to its tax-exempt purposes. Under the IRC 509(a)(2) test, an organization can receive no more than one-third of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income.

The NBF has obtained an informal opinion from the State Bar and NBF's auditor Bernard Vogler & Co., Reno, Nevada that it is likely that the NBF will satisfy the IRC 509(a)(2) public support test at the end of the 60-month period based upon its receipt of the IOLTA funds during this period. Stated another way, it is the NBF's receipt of the IOLTA funds during the 60-month period that will allow it to satisfy the public support test under IRC 509(a)(2). Without the receipt of the IOLTA funds, unless NBF receives a substantial amount of new public funding during the 60-month time period, it may not qualify as a public charity.

## V. There Should Be No Delay In The August 31, 2014 NBF Designation Date and IOLTA Asset Transfer Date Established In The Order.

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As stated above, it is likely that NBF will qualify as a public charity at the end of the 60 month operating period if it receives the IOLTA funds on August 31, 2014, which will allow it to satisfy the public support test. In the unlikely event the NBF does not qualify as a public charity at the end of the 60-month period and for the any period of time the NBF is deemed to be a private foundation including September 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, however, the State Bar will work with the NBF to satisfy any liability of the NBF for any excise tax liability which would result from NBF's private foundation status. Most of the excise taxes for which a private foundation may be liable (i.e. excise taxes on self-dealing, undistributed net income, jeopardizing investments and excess business holdings) may be avoided by proper operation of the Foundation. The one excise tax that private foundations cannot avoid is on net investment income at the annual rate of two (2%)<sup>1</sup> percent. [see IRC 4940(a)]. The NBF does not expect the amount of excise taxes it will be liable for in 2014 will be material given the low interest rates payable on deposit accounts and on CDs now and in the foreseeable future. According to the JLN's audited Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2014, JLN's total investment income for 2013 for restricted and unrestricted net assets was \$55,127. [Exhibit 4]. The NBF does not expect its investment income will exceed this number on an annualized basis.

Foundations can qualify for a reduced excise tax rate of 1 percent for any year that the percentage of their qualifying distributions for charitable purposes as a percentage of net non-charitable use assets exceeds the average distribution ratio of the preceding five tax years.

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Not only will the State Bar work with the NBF to pay any excise taxes related to IOLTA funds, but given that the costs to administer the IOLTA program will immediately significantly decrease from approximately \$50,000 per year to approximately \$30,000 per year upon the transfer of the IOLTA program to the NBF, there should be no delay in the August 31, 2014 effective date of the NBF as the IOLTA foundation and for the transfer of the IOLTA assets from JLN to NBF. The JLN notes and the NBF agrees that since August 31, 2014 falls on a Sunday and September 1, 2014 is Labor Day, the transfer date would default to September 2, 2014 since the banks will be closed from August 30, 2014 until September 1, 2014.

The JLN notes that the advantage of receiving an advanced ruling is that any contributors may rely on the advanced ruling to properly take any deductions<sup>2</sup> for contributions to the organization. This is true; however, since there are no federal income tax consequences whatsoever associated with the IOLTA program, waiting for an advance ruling is not necessary.

The NBF is ready, willing and able to serve as the designated IOLTA foundation under SCR 216. Since the Order was issued the NBF has taken the following actions to insure that the NBF has sufficient time to meet the IOLTA program obligations for the upcoming granting cycle:

- Prepared a 5 year Pro Forma Budget
- Drafted IOLTA and Non-IOLTA Investment Policies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Should an individual donor wish to make a gift to a private foundation, the difference between the tax deduction allowed for a donation to a public charity (50% of adjusted gross income computed without regard to net operating loss carrybacks) versus a private foundation (30% of adjusted gross income computed without regard to net operating loss carrybacks) would typically not affect the ability of an individual donor to fully deduct the gift unless that donor wanted to make a gift in excess of 30% of his/her adjusted gross income.

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Drafted IOLTA Reserve Polices

- Drafted IOLTA Grant Application and Granting Policies and Procedures
- Established IOLTA Operating and Reserve Bank Accounts
- Established IOLTA Investment Accounts
- Completed Termination Notice, which will be filed this week; and
- On August 22, 2014 conducted an orientation session for all the persons who will comprise the NBF Board of Trustees as of August 31, 2014, pursuant to Appointment by the State Bar and by the Supreme Court pursuant to the Order.

On September 4, 2014 the newly formed NBF Board of Trustees will conduct its first official meeting where the IOLTA policies and procedures will be adopted and the following committees of the Board of Trustees will be constituted and populated: Audit Committee, Investment Committee, Finance Committee, Granting Committee, Banking Relationship Committee and Fundraising Committee.

The JLN requests that it be provided with the IRS Determination verifying its IRC 501(c)(3) status. [See Exhibits 2-3]. It also requested copies of the NBF's organizational documents to be assured that they comply with SCR 216. The NBF is in the process of making the necessary changes and will provide the JLN and the court with copies of its revised organizational documents by August 29, 2014. The NBF will also provide the court with a copy of its Termination Notice by August 27, 2014.

WHEREFORE, the State Bar and the NBF request that the court:

1. Clarify its Order that the NBF satisfies the condition that it convert its status from that a private foundation to one of public charity upon the filing on August 27, 2014, its Termination Notice with the IRS; and

2. Confirm that the Order designating the NBF as the SCR 216 IOLTA Foundation as of August 31, 2014 remains unchanged but that the transfer of the IOLTA assets from JLN to the NBF will occur on September 2, 2014 since banks are not open from August 30, 2014 through September 1, 2014 for the Labor Day weekend.

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of August, 2014.

STATE BAR OF NEVADA?
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Bryan K. Scott, Vice President Nevada Bar No. 4381 State Bar of Nevada 600 E. Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, Nevada 89104 (702) 382-2200

#### **NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION**

Constance L. Akridge, President Nevada Bar No. 3353 State Bar of Nevada 600 E. Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, Nevada 89104 (702) 382-2200

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 25 <sup>TH</sup> day of August, 2014, a true and correct
copy of the foregoing RESPONSE TO EMERGENCY PETITION UNDER
NRAP 27(e), REQUESTING CLARIFICATION FROM COURT ON
CONDITIONS TO APPOINTMENT OF NBF AS IOLTA FOUNDATION
was served by depositing same in the United States mail, first class postage fully
prepaid to the persons and addresses listed below:

Michaelle D. Rafferty, Esq. Maupin, Cox & Legoy 4785 Caughlin Parkway Reno, Nevada 89519

An employee of the State Bar of Nevada

### **EXHIBIT 1**

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IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE
STATE OF NEVADA

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#### **NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION**

The undersigned, to form a nonprofit corporation under Chapter 82 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, certifies that:

- 1. NAME: The name of the corporation is the NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION.
- 2. <u>TERM</u>: The term, or life, of the corporation shall be perpetual unless dissolved as provided in Section 12 hereof.
- NONPROFIT STATUS: The corporation shall be a nonprofit corporation, and these
  Articles of Incorporation may not be amended to alter the corporation's nonprofit status.
- 4. RESIDENT AGENT AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE: The initial resident agent of the corporation shall be the State Bar of Nevada. The address of the agent and the registered office of the corporation shall be located at the following address:

State Bar of Nevada 600 East Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

The corporation may change its registered office and may also maintain an office or offices at such other places in or out of the State of Nevada, as the Board of Trustees may from time to time determine. Corporate business of every kind and nature may be conducted, and meetings of the Trustees held in and out of the State of Nevada.

- 5. PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS: The corporation is a non-profit corporation for public benefit organized under the provisions of Chapter 82 of Nevada Revised Statues (hereinafter "NRS") and subject to its provisions. The corporation is organized exclusively for educational, charitable and eleemosynary purposes (a) as provided in NRS section \$2.021, as amended, and (b) within the meaning of Sections 170 and 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (hereinafter "Code"), and any acts amendatory thereto.
  - a. General Powers, the specific purposes of the corporation are to provide legally related services to the poor, to the victims of domestic violence and to children protected by or in need of protection of the juvenile court; to promote or provide law related educational programs for members of the public; to develop and improve legal education; to engage in research in the field of law and legal practice and to assist qualified individuals in the study of law; to fund the charitable and tax exempt programs or activities of the State Bar of Nevada; to develop or hold appropriate facilities for housing the corporation or the State Bar

of Nevada; to maintain and furnish the historic Nevada Bar building located at 600 East Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada; to provide programs similar to those described above which qualify for tax exempt status under Code section 501(c)(3), as amended.

- b. Specific Limitations: In the conduct of its activities, the corporation shall be subject to and governed by the following restrictions and prohibitions:
  - i. The corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes;
  - ii. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of its Board of Trustees or officers or any private individual;
  - No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) in nay political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.
  - iv. The corporation shall not, otherwise than as an insubstantial part of its activities, engage in activities which in themselves are not in the furtherance of the purposes of the corporation as stated in Section 4 hereof.
- 6. PRIVATE FOUNDATION RULES: At any time the Corporation is a Private Foundation within the meaning of IRC § 509, and is not an Operating Foundation as defined by IRC § 4942(i)(3):
  - a. The corporation shall distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by IRC § 4942.
  - b. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in IRC § 4941(d).
  - c. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in IRC § 4943(c).
  - d. The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under IRC § 4944.
  - e. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in IRC § 4945(d).

- f. The corporation shall not engage in any other prohibited transaction as provided in any corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws or NRS 81.630.
- 7. TRUSTEES: The corporation shall be governed by a Board of Trustees and each member of the governing board shall be a "Trustee".
  - a. Number. The number of members of the Board of Trustees shall be an odd number as set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation, as amended from time to time, but shall not be fewer than three (3) nor more than fifteen (15). If the number of members of the Board of Trustees is reduced below the number set in the Bylaws, for any reason, including the death, resignation, or removal of a member of the Board of Trustees, such reduction in number shall not adversely affect the ability of the corporation to conduct its activities, However, the Board of Trustees shall take reasonable steps and exercise due diligence to obtain the appointment of a person, or persons, to fill any vacancies which may occur so as to maintain the number of the Board of Trustees set in the Bylaws.
  - b. Composition and Term. A majority of the members of the Board of Trustees shall be members in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada; other members may include lay persons who have knowledge of and are acquainted with the education and charitable purposes of the corporation.

The terms of the members of the Board of Trustees shall be staggered. Each member shall be appointed for a term of two calendar years. No member may serve on the Board of Trustees for more than a lifetime total of eight years.

The Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada shall appoint all members of the Board of Trustees of the corporation, prior to the beginning of each calendar year, with a simple majority of the positions appointed to serve beginning in even numbered calendar years and a majority minus one appointed to serve beginning in odd numbered calendar years. For each forthcoming calendar year, the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada shall appoint its incoming President to serve as one of the above members of the Board of Trustees of the corporation, who shall also serve as Secretary of the Board of Trustees during the first year of the term, and a Chairperson of the Board of Trustees during the second year of term. Vacancies on the Board of Trustees shall be filled by the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada

c. Removal. a member of the Board of Trustees may be removed, at any time, by a vote of two-thirds of the entire members of the then existing Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada.

- d. Condition of Membership. No person may serve a member of the Board of Trustees if such individual is a beneficiary, employees, officer, or member of a governing body of any grantee of the corporation's charitable grants.
- 8. MEMBERS: The corporation shall have no members other than the Trustees.
- 9. **INITIAL TRUSTEE:** The initial Board of Trustees shall consist of three (3) persons:

Name	A Adress
Daniel F. Polsenberg	530 Las Vegas Bivd. South Las Vegas, NV 89101
Wayne Blevins	600 East Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89104
Robert P. Dickerson	330 South Third Street, Ste. 1130 Las Vegas, NV 89101

10. <u>INCORPORATOR</u>: The incorporator of the corporation is Daniel F. Polsenberg, whose address is:

#### 530 Las Vegas Boulevard South Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

- 11. <u>AMENDMENT</u>: These Articles and the Bylaws of the corporation may be amended by a vote of a majority of the Trustees; provided that any amendment shall be void to the extent it adversely affect the status of the Corporation as an organization qualifying under IRC § 501(c)(3).
- 12. <u>BYLAWS</u>: The Trustees shall adopt bylaws to govern the administration and management of the corporation.
  - a. The bylaws shall be consistent with Nevada law and these Articles of Incorporation and shall be void to the extent they are inconsistent therewith.
  - b. The selection, removal, replacement, terms, duties, and powers of the corporation's Trustees and officers shall be governed by the bylaws.

- 13. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The Corporation shall indemnify its officers and Trustees.
  - a. The Corporation hereby indemnifies any Trustee or officer made a party or threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or complete action, suit or proceeding:
    - i. Whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, other than one by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor, brought to impose a liability or penalty on such person for an act alleged to have been committed by such person in his capacity of Trustee or officer of the Corporation, or in his capacity as trustee, director, officer, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise which he served at the request of the Corporation, against judgments, fines, amounts paid in settlement and reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred as a result of such action, suit or proceeding or any appeal therein, if such person acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best interests of the Corporation, and in criminal actions or proceedings, without reasonable ground for belief that such action was unlawful. The termination of any such action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not in itself create a presumption that any such Trustee or officer did not act in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best interests of the Corporation or that he had reasonable grounds for belief that such action was unlawful.
    - ii. By or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of his being or having been a Trustee or officer of the Corporation, or by reason of his being or having been a trustee, director, officer, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise which he served at the request of the Corporation, against the reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, or in connection with an appeal therein, if such person acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best Such person shall not be entitled to interests of the Corporation. indemnification in relation to matters as to which such person has been adjudged to have been guilty of negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the Corporation unless and only to the extent that the court, administrative agency, or investigative body before which such action, suit or proceeding is held shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification for such expenses which such tribunal shall deem proper.

- b. The Board of Trustees shall have the sole discretion to determine whether amounts for which a Trustee or officer seeks indemnification were properly incurred and whether such Trustee or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Corporation, and whether, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he had no reasonable ground for belief that such action was unlawful. Such determination shall be made by the Board of Trustees by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Trustees who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding.
- c. The foregoing rights of indemnification shall not be deemed to limit in any way the powers of the Corporation to indemnify under applicable law.
- 14. <u>DISSOLUTION</u>: The Trustees of the corporation may dissolve the corporation at any time by two-thirds vote of the then existing Board of Trustees.
- 15. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE: All references herein to the "IRC" or the "Internal Revenue Code" are references to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and to corresponding provisions of any later federal tax laws.

DATED 41297

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STATE OF NEVADA

**COUNTY OF CLARK** 

SS.

This instrument was acknowledged before me on <u>Toricial 2, 1997</u> by DANIEL F. POLSENBERG.

NOTARY PUBLIC

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KAREN WIRIAM MORROW Notary Public Nevada Clark County My scot. exp. Dec. 15, 1998 SECRETARY OF STATE

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### Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation For Non Profit Corporations

(NRS Chapters 81.010, 81.410, 81.170 and 82.356 - After First Meeting of Directors)
- Remit in Duplicate -

2. The articles have been amended as follows (provide article numbers, if available):  SEE ATTACHED  3. The directors (or trustees) and the members, if any, and such other persons or public officers, if any, as may be required by the articles have approved the amendment. The vote by which the amendment was adopted by the directors and members, if any, is as follows: directors UNANIM and members  4. Siephing to the angular must acknowledged):  Chairman, President or Vice President (President or Vice President must sign if corporation is governed by NRS \$1.010 or \$1.410)  State of:  Noundal County of: Clark  This instrument was acknowledged before me on November 1/c 1998 by Daniel F. Polsenberg (Name of Person) as President or sign this certificate of Neugada Bar Foundation (name on behalf of whom instrument was executed)  Noisy Public Signature (Name of Person)  State of:  Noisy Public Sign	Name of corporation:	NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION
if any, as may be required by the articles have approved amendment was adopted by the directors and members, if any, is as follows: directors UNANIM and members  4. Sign President or Vice President  (President or Vice President must sign if corporation is governed by NRS \$1.010 or \$1.410)  State of: Nevada  County of: Clark  This instrument was acknowledged before me on November 1 (2 1998 by N	2. The articles have been amended	as follows (provide article numbers, if available):  SEE ATTACHED
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	as President as designated to sign this certificate of Nevada Box Founda (name on behalf of whom instrument) 120. Whom Fullic Signature	as designated to sign this certificate of NEVADA BAR FOUNDATON (name on behalf of whom instrument was executed)  Ty Pablic TARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEVADA  County of Clark

IMPORTANT: Failure to include any of the above information and remit the proper fees may cause this filling to be rejected.

Paragraph 5 "<u>PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS</u>" has been revised by adding the following paragraph as subsection "c":

c. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Paragraph 14 "<u>DISSOLUTION</u>" has been revised by adding the following paragraph after the first line of paragraph 14:

Upon winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

### **EXHIBIT 2**

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DISTRICT DIRECTOR P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

Date:

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NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION 600 EAST CHARLESTON BLVD LAS VEGAS, NV 89104

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Employer Identification Number: 88-0399023 DLN: 17053234700008 Contact Person: EO CUSTOMER SERVICE ID# 95777 Contact Telephone Number: (213) 894-2289 Accounting Period Ending: December 31 Foundation Status Classification: 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Advance Ruling Period Begins: December 19, 1997 Advance Ruling Period Ends: December 31, 2001 Addendum Applies:

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make a final determination of your foundation status.

If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we

will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally \$25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return. Because you will be treated as a public charity for return filing purposes during your entire advance ruling period, you should file Form 990 for each year in your advance ruling period that you exceed the \$25,000 filing threshold even if your sources of support do not satisfy the public support test specified in the heading of this letter.

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If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day arged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for elay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or cent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For izations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty 00 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. aximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding 000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a urn is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you e it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are ject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. u are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form , Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are etermining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unretrade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual return available for public ction for three years after the return is due. You are also required to available a copy of your exemption application, any supporting documents, his exemption letter. Failure to make these documents available for c inspection may subject you to a penalty of \$20 per day for each day is a failure to comply (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an 1 return).

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. employer identification number was not entered on your application, we assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on eturns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue ce.

This determination is based on evidence that your funds are dedicated to urposes listed in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. To assure your continued tion, you should keep records to show that funds are spent only for those ses. If you distribute funds to other organizations, your records should whether they are exempt under section 501(c)(3). In cases where the ient organization is not exempt under section 501(c)(3), you must have not that the funds will remain dedicated to the required purposes and that ecipient will use the funds for those purposes.

If you distribute funds to individuals, you should keep case histories ng the recipients' names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selecand relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of to you, so that you can substantiate upon request by the Internal Revenue ce any and all distributions you made to individuals. (Revenue Ruling 4, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

#### NEVADA BAR FOUNDATION

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure(s): Form 872-C

### **EXHIBIT 3**

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(Rev. Aug. 1983)	orm 6018  Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service			
(Nov. Mag. 1999)	Consent to Proposed Adverse Action			
	(All references are to the Internal Revenue Code)			
Case Number		Date of Latest Determination Letter		
502095010		January 20, 1999		
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I consent to the proposed adverse action relative to the above organization as shown below. I understand that if Section 7428, Declaratory Judgements Relating to Status and Classification of Organizations under Section 501(c)(3), etc. applies, I have the right to protest the proposed adverse action.				
NATURE OF ADVERSE ACTION				
[ ] Denial of exemption				
[ ] Revocation of exemption, effective.				
[ ] Modification of exemption from section 501(c)( ) to section 501(c)( ), effective				
[X] Classification as a private foundation described in section 509(a), effective AUG 2 6 2002				
[ ] Classification as an private operating foundation described in sections 509(a) and 4942(j)(3), effective for				
[ ] Classification as an organization described in section 509(a)( ), effective				
[ ] Classification as an organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)( ), effective				
If you agree to the adverse action shown above, please sign and return this consent. You should keep a copy for your records.				
If you sign this consent before you have exhausted your administrative appeal rights, you may lose your rights to a declaratory judgement under section 7428.				
(Signature instructions on Back)				
Name of Organizat	tion:			
Signature and Title	)		Date	
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### **EXHIBIT 4**

NEVADA LAW FOUNDATION

dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2013



# NEVADA LAW FOUNDATION dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA DECEMBER 31, 2013

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Nevada Law Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada Las Vegas, Nevada

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Nevada Law Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2013, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Nevada Law Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada as of December 31, 2013, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Houldswarth, Russo + Congang

Las Vegas, Nevada May 18, 2014

Certified Public Accountants

#### NEVADA LAW FOUNDATION dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2013

#### **ASSETS**

CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,558,725
Accounts receivable		186,530
Prepaid expenses		1,973
OTHER ASSETS		3,747,228
Cash and cash equivalents, permanently restricted		21 710
Investments, permanently restricted		31,719
Property and equipment, net		416,598
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Total assets	\$	4,758,025
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$	13,174
Grants payable	•	1,787,258
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LONG-TERM LIABILITIES ,		
Rent deposit		1,500
Total liabilities		1,801,932
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		2,507,776
Permanently restricted		448,317
Total net assets		2,956,093
	\$	4,758,025
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# NEVADA LAW FOUNDATION dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

IOLTA Contributions		•	0.007.674
		\$	2,037,574
Donations			22,940
Investment income			13,331
Rental income			20,063
			2,093,908
Expenses:			
Program services			1,778,508
Management and general			125,790
Fundraising	•		43,223
			1.947.521

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR

Support:

Increase in unrestricted net assets	146,387
PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS	
Donations	500
Return on investment, net	41,796
Increase in permanently restricted net assets	42,296
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	188,683

NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR \$ 2,956,093

2,767,410

dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013 STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

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See notes to financial statements.

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# NEVADA LAW FOUNDATION dba JUSTICE LEAGUE OF NEVADA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$	188,683
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		•
provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation		13,558
Realized gain on investments		(46,334)
Unrealized loss on investments		14,696
Contributions restricted for long-term purposes		(500)
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:		
Change in cash restricted for long-term purposes		(3,095)
Accounts receivable		(1,721)
Prepaid expenses		(675)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:		
Accounts payable		(2,692)
Grants payable	****	805,933
Net cash provided by operating activities	<del></del> -	967,853
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of investments		(304,475)
Sales of investments		296,912
Net cash used in investing activities		(7,563)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from contributions restricted for:		
Investment in endowment	<del></del>	500
Net cash provided by financing activities		_500
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		960,790
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		2,597,935
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$	3,558,725

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Nature of Activities

The Nevada Law Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada (Foundation) was incorporated as a nonprofit entity in the state of Nevada in 1982. The Foundation was founded to address the significant need for funding of legal services to the poor and legally disadvantaged in Nevada. The State Bar of Nevada, with the approval of the Supreme Court, designated the Nevada Law Foundation dba Justice League of Nevada for the purposes of providing legally-related services to the poor, to the victims of domestic violence, and to children protected by or in need of protection of the juvenile court; promoting law-related education programs for members of the public; and providing similar programs which qualify for tax-exempt status. To carry out these purposes, the Foundation utilizes the income accrued from interest earned on lawyers' trust accounts (IOLTA) as authorized by Supreme Court Rules 216 through 221.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

#### Basis of Presentation

The Foundation also prepares financial statements in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC) 958-205 and subsections. Under ASC 958-205, the Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets.

#### Use of Estimates

Timely preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts, some of which may require revision in future periods.

#### Statement of Cash Flows

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash consists of cash on hand and demand deposits.

#### Accounts Receivable

Receivables at December 31, 2013 represent amounts due from the IOLTA accounts. Receivables are considered collectible by management and, accordingly, an allowance for doubtful receivables would not enhance the usefulness of the information.

#### **Donated Services**

No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services. The Foundation pays for most services requiring specific expertise. However, many individuals volunteer their time and perform a variety of tasks that assist the Foundation.

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Promises to Give

Unconditional promises to give (pledges receivable) are recognized as contribution revenue in the period received and as assets, decreases in liabilities, or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Promises to give are recorded at net realizable value if expected to be collected in one year and at fair value if expected to be collected in more than one year. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

#### Property and Equipment

The Foundation capitalizes all expenditures for property and equipment in excess of \$500. Property and equipment are stated at cost. Property and equipment acquired by donation are stated at the fair market value at the date of donation. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets of three to forty years.

#### Income Tax Status

The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is generally exempt from income taxes on related income pursuant to the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code. In accordance with the accounting standards, the Foundation evaluates its income tax positions each fiscal year to determine whether the Foundation's tax position is more likely than not to be sustained if examined by the applicable tax authority. This review had no material impact on the Foundation's financial statements. Federal, state, and local tax returns generally remain open for examination by the various taxing authorities for a period of three to six years.

#### Revenue Recognition

Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. All donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires by a stipulated time restriction lapsing or by the purpose of the restriction having been accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions whose restrictions are satisfied in the same reporting period are shown as unrestricted support in the statement of activities.

#### **Expense Allocations**

The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Foundation reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of asset to future net undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets.

#### Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through May 18, 2014 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### NOTE 2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment at December 31, 2013 consist of the following:

Land, held as rental property Building, held as rental property	\$ 251,410 388,637
	640,047
Office equipment and furniture	52,507
	692,554
Less accumulated depreciation	130,074
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	<b>\$</b> 562,480

Depreciation expense was \$13,558 for the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### NOTE 3. BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS

The Foundation maintains a reserve account that is board-designated for grants. The Reserve accounts aim to maintain a reserve equal to 75% of the amount granted in the previous year. Previous year IOLTA profits are transferred into the reserve account at the start of the fiscal year. In a year where the reserve account balance equals 75% of the amount of the previous year's grants, no contribution to the reserve account will be made. The funds that were board-designated at December 31, 2013 totaled \$663,965.

#### NOTE 4. CONCENTRATIONS

The Foundation maintains its cash balances at several financial institutions. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insures accounts up to \$250,000 per depositor. The total uninsured balance at December 31, 2013 is \$2,698,591.

#### NOTE 5. INVESTMENTS

Investments at December 31, 2013 consist of the following:

Stocks Bonds	\$ 210,554 206,044
	<u>\$ 416.598</u>
Investment return for the year ended December 31, 2013 consists of t	he following:
Interest and dividends, unrestricted Interest and dividends, restricted Realized and unrealized gains, restricted Investment fees	\$ 13,331 14,457 31,426 (4,087)
•	\$ 55,127
Investment income, unrestricted Investment gain, restricted	13,331 41,796
Total investment income	\$ 55,127

In accordance with FASB ASC 820-10 and subsections, formerly SFAS No. 157 Fair Value Measurements, the following are quantitative disclosures about the fair value measurements of assets. Fair value measurements are categorized on three levels:

Level 1 inputs are quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets.

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1; for example, quoted prices for similar assets.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the assets.

The Foundation's only assets valued at fair value are its investments. The Foundation holds all of its investments in publicly traded equity or debt instruments as follows:

	Level I
Trading securities – equity Debt instruments	\$ 210,554 206,044
	\$ 416.598

#### NOTE 6. ENDOWMENT FUND

As of December 31, 2013, the Foundation has one endowment fund. The Colleague Fund and earnings are permanently restricted up to \$2,000,000. When the fund reaches this amount, the interest and earnings can be used for operations of the Foundation.

#### NOTE 6. ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

The Foundation's endowment funds consist of the following assets as of December 31, 2013:

Cash	\$ 31,719
Investments	 <u>416,598</u>
	\$ 448.317

The endowment includes only donor-restricted endowment funds and earnings. As required by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

#### Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Board of Directors of the Foundation has interpreted Nevada state laws as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets are classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in accordance with the donors' wishes. There are no board designations of endowment funds. The Foundation considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund
- (2) The purposes of the organization and the donor-restricted endowment fund
- (3) General economic conditions
- (4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- (5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- (6) Other resources of the organization
- (7) The investment policies of the organization

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of December 31, 2013:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Donor restricted endowments	<u>\$</u>	\$	\$ 448,317	<b>\$ 448.317</b>
Total funds	\$ -	\$	<u>\$ 448.317</u>	<u>\$ 448,317</u>

#### NOTE 6. ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2013:

	Unrestricted		Temporarily Restricted	_	Permanently Restricted		Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$	- \$	-	\$	406,021	\$	406,021
Investment return: Investment income, net		-	-		14,457		14,457
Net appreciation (realized and unrealized)		-	-		31,426		31,426
Investment fees				_	(4,087)		(4,087)
Total investment return		-	-		41,796		41,796
Contributions		= -	-		500		500
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>s</u>	- S		<u>\$</u>	448,317	<u>\$</u>	448,317

#### Funds with Deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor requires the Foundation to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with GAAP, deficiencies of this nature are reported in unrestricted net assets. There were no deficiencies at December 31, 2013.

#### Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Foundation must hold in perpetuity or for a donor specified period as well as board designated funds. Under this policy, endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed market while assuming a prudent level of investment risk at or below the volatility level of appropriate market and peer benchmarks indentified. The Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation of equities, fixed income, and cash equivalents through mutual fund investments.

#### NOTE 7. LEGAL AID GRANTS FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

The Foundation authorized grants for legal assistance to the following nonprofit entities for the year ending December 31, 2013:

Committee to Aid Abused Women	\$ 39,000
Court Appointed Special Advocates Carson City	16,000
Court Appointed Special Advocates Northeastern Nevada	15,000
Court Appointed Special Advocates Pioneer Territories	15,608
Douglas County Special Advocates for the Elderly	12,600
Legal Aid Center for Southern Nevada	920,000
Nevada Legal Services	250,000
Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center	20,000
Nevada Rural Counties RSVP	38,000
Stop Abuse in the Family Environment	14,750
Southern Nevada Senior Law Program	130,000
Temporary Assistance for Domestic Crisis	28,800
Voluntary Attorneys for Rural Nevada	100,000
Washoe Legal Services	 <u> 187,500</u>

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#### NOTE 8. RENTAL INCOME

In January 2011, the Foundation entered into a three-year rental agreement of the land and building expiring January 31, 2014. The tenant pays \$1,500 per month for the first year with an annual increase rent of \$50 per month. The carrying amount of the rental property is \$640,047. Associated accumulated depreciation at December 31, 2013 is \$85,204. Under the noncancelable contract, the future minimum lease payments to be received are as follows:

2014	\$ 1,600
	\$1.600

Subsequent to year-end, the property's lease was not renewed and the property is listed for sale. The Foundation is in escrow to sell the property.

#### NOTE 9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent to year-end, the Foundation received notice that the Nevada Supreme Court will rule that administration of the IOLTA program will be transferred to the Nevada Bar Foundation. This ruling is expected to occur in 2014. Since the majority of the Foundation's revenue is from IOLTA funds, the Foundation has decided to dissolve when the banks have ceased transferring IOLTA funds to the Foundation. This is expected to occur in 2014 or 2015.