IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT OF NRAP 14 (DOCKETING STATEMENT).

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ORDER AMENDING NEVADA RULE OF APPELLATĚ PROCEDURE (NRAP) 14 AND THE DOCKETING STATEMENT

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2013, the Hon. James W. Hardesty, filed a petition requesting that this court consider amendments to NRAP 14 and the docketing statement; and

WHEREAS, this court solicited comment from the bench, bar and public regarding the proposed amendments and held a public hearing on June 6, 2013; and

WHEREAS, this court has determined that the proposed amendments are warranted; accordingly

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that NRAP 14 shall read as set forth in Exhibit A and the docketing statement shall be amended as set forth in Exhibit B.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment to NRAP 14 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

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA 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 $\underline{\underline{9^{m}}}$ day of May, 2014.

Libbons, C.J.
Gibbons <u>Rickering</u> , J. <u>Pickering</u> , J. <u>Hardesty</u>
Parraguirre, J. Douglas, J. Douglas
Cherry, J. Saitta, J.
cc: All District Court Judges Alan J. Lefebvre, President, State Bar of Nevada Kimberly Former, Frequeting Director, State Bar of Nevada
Kimberly Farmer, Executive Director, State Bar of Nevada Clark County Bar Association Washoe County Bar Association First Judicial District Bar Association
Administrative Office of the Courts

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA

EXHIBIT A

AMENDMENT TO RULE 14 OF THE NEVADA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

RULE 14. DOCKETING STATEMENT

(a) Application and Purpose of Docketing Statement.

(1) In General. Appellants shall file completed docketing statements in accordance with the provisions of this Rule in all civil and criminal appeals, except criminal appeals governed by Rule 3C. Unless a cross-appeal is filed, the respondent may not complete a docketing statement but may file a response as specified in Rule 14(f).

(2) Original Writ Proceedings. This Rule does not apply to original proceedings commenced in the Supreme Court pursuant to NRS Chapters 34 or 35.

(3) Proper Person Appellants and Respondents. An appellant appearing in proper person shall not file a docketing statement unless ordered to do so by the Supreme Court. A respondent appearing in proper person may not file a response to the appellant's docketing statement unless permission is first sought and granted by the Supreme Court under Rule 46.

(4) Purpose of Docketing Statement. The purpose of the docketing statement is to assist the Supreme Court in identifying jurisdictional defects, identifying issues on appeal, scheduling cases for oral argument and settlement conferences, classifying cases for expedited treatment, and compiling statistical information.

(5) Statement of Issues on Appeal. Counsel filing a docketing statement shall state specifically all issues that counsel in good faith reasonably believes to be the issues on appeal. The statement of issues is instrumental to the court's case management procedures, however, such statement is not binding on the court and

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the parties' briefs will determine the final issues on appeal. Omission of an issue from the statement of issues will not provide an appropriate basis for a motion to strike any portion of the opening brief.

(b) Time for Filing; Form of Docketing Statement. Within 20 days after docketing of the appeal under Rule 12, the appellant shall file a docketing statement with the clerk of the Supreme Court, on a form provided by the clerk. Legible photostatic copies of the original form provided by the clerk will be accepted by the clerk for filing in lieu of the original form. The appellant may file a docketing statement that is not on the form provided by the clerk so long as it contains every question included in the clerk's form. An original and 2 copies shall be filed, together with proof of service of a copy of the completed statement on all parties and, if the appeal is assigned to the Supreme Court settlement program under Rule 16, on the settlement judge.

(c) Consequences of Failure to Comply. The statement must be completed fully and accurately. For civil appeals, copies of all requested documents must be attached to the completed docketing statement. Although the statement of the issues requested by the form is not binding, counsel should be mindful of the purpose of the docketing statement. The Supreme Court may impose sanctions on counsel or appellant if it appears that the information provided is incomplete or inaccurate, or if the requested documentation has not been attached. Failure to file a docketing statement within the time prescribed shall not affect the validity of the appeal, but is grounds for such action as the Supreme Court deems appropriate including sanctions and dismissal of the appeal.

(d) Extensions of Time. A motion for an extension of time within which to file the docketing statement will be granted for good cause. Counsel's caseload generally will not provide grounds for an extension.

(e) Multiple Appellants. In cases involving more than one appellant, any number of appellants may join in a single docketing statement. Multiple appellants are encouraged to consult with each other and, whenever possible, file only one docketing statement.

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(f) Response by Respondent(s). Respondent, within 7 days after service of the docketing statement, may file an original and 1 copy of a single-page response, together with proof of service on all parties, if respondent strongly disagrees with appellant's statement of the case or issues on appeal. If respondent believes there is a jurisdictional defect, respondent should file a motion to dismiss. In cases involving more than one respondent, any number of respondents may join in a single response. Multiple respondents are encouraged to consult with each other and, whenever possible, file only one response.

(g) Cross-Appeals. All parties who have filed a notice of appeal, whether designated as appellants or cross-appellants, shall comply with Rule 14(a). Cross-appellants and cross-respondents are subject to all the provisions of this Rule as are appellants and respondents.

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EXHIBIT B

AMENDMENT TO THE CIVIL APPEALS DOCKETING STATEMENT

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8. Nature of the action. Briefly describe the nature of the action and the result below:

9. Issues on appeal. State [concisely the principal issue(s)] <u>specifically</u> <u>all issues</u> in this appeal (attach separate sheets as necessary):

10. Pending proceedings in this court raising the same or similar issues. If you are aware of any proceedings presently pending before this court which raises the same or similar issues raised in this appeal, list the case name and docket numbers and identify the same or similar issue raised:

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