RICHARD HARRIS LAW FURM 801 S. Fourth Street Las Vegas, NV 89101 (702) 444-4444 thus are highly dependent upon an exhaustive counter-explication of the events at trial. Further, respondent's counsel has been diligent in editing the answering brief. The assistance of experienced appellate counsel was enlisted and several rounds of editing were undertaken, resulting in a reduction from nearly 20,000 words to the current number of 18,560, resulting in a reduction of almost 10% of the number of words in the original draft. Block quotes were shortened or eliminated.

The undersigned has concluded that further reduction in the content of respondent's answering brief would undermine its strength and its helpfulness to the Court. Finally, respondent will interpose no objection in the event appellant feels compelled to seek leave to file an oversize reply brief.

## <u>ARGUMENT</u>

NRAP 32(a)(7)(D) provides that a request to file a brief in excess of the page and type-volume limits may be granted upon a showing of diligence and good cause. Respondent respectfully submits that the facts set forth above establish such diligence and good cause for her request to increase such limitations. It is further submitted that respondent's answering brief, as presently constituted, will be of assistance to the Court in its disposition of this appeal.

## **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, respondent respectfully submits that the foregoing motion should be granted.

DATED this  $\frac{V}{day}$  day of February, 2015.

RICHARD HARRIS LAW FIRM

By Akson Brasier, Esq.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Motion for Leave to File Answering Brief in Excess of Page and Type-Volume Limitations was submitted for electronic filing with the Nevada Supreme Court on the day of February, 2015. Electronic service of this document will automatically be made in accordance with NEFCR 9(b) to:

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## DECLARATION OF ALISON BRASIER, ESQ.

I, Alison Brasier, make this declaration pursuant to NRS 53.045:

- 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada and I am employed by the Richard Harris Law Firm, which represents respondent Margaret Seastrand in the consolidated appeals entitled *Raymond Riad Khoury v. Margaret Seastrand*, pending in the Nevada Supreme Court as Case Nos. 64702, 65007, and 65172.
- 2. I make this Declaration on my own personal knowledge in support of respondent's Motion for Leave to File Answering Brief in Excess of Page and Type-Volume Limitations in such appeals.
- 3. The answering brief is a collaborative effort on the part of three attorneys: myself and another member of the Richard Harris Law Firm and a highly experienced appellate attorney retained as a consultant. The consulting attorney has in excess of 30 years of experience as an appellate attorney in Nevada. All three attorneys expended a considerable amount of time in editing the answering brief in order to reduce it to its current size of 54 pages containing 18,560 words. As a result of these efforts, the length of the brief was reduced from nearly 20,000 words down to 18,560. It is the undersigned's considered opinion that further editing would be detrimental to her client's interests and to the goal of providing optimum assistance to this Court.
- 4. This is due, in part, to the fact that appellant sought, and was granted, unopposed leave to exceed the page and type-volume limitations in its opening brief. It also must be noted that the oversized opening brief raises nine issues, some of which are fact-intensive.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the day of February, 2015.

Alison Brasier, Esq.

Exhibit 1