

EXHIBIT 1

1 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD DISTRICT COURT
2 INMATE No. 1679195 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
3 330 S. CASINO CENTER BLVD
LAS VEGAS NV 89101
DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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STATE OF NEVADA

Plaintiff,

vs.

7 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

Defendant

Case No.: C-13-287009-1

Dept. No.: 6

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11 MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

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13 Comes NOW Defendant, Michael J. Schofield,
14 in Proper Person, and respectfully moves this
15 honorable Court to grant a New Trial.

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17 This Motion is based upon all the records
18 and files in this decision/action. Points and
19 Authorities, Affidavit of the Defendant, and any
20 argument adduced at the time of hearing
of this motion.

21 Michael J. Schofield

22 Michael J. Schofield
23 Defendant in Proper
Person

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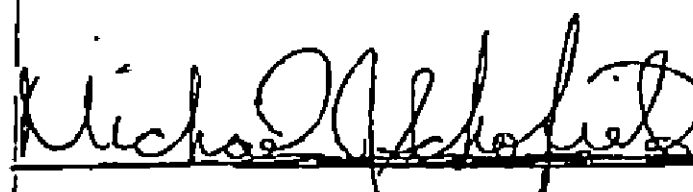
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TO: District Attorney, Defendant in
ProPer Person

You and Each of You, Will Please
Take Notice that the undersigned will
bring this Motion on for hearing before
the District Court Dept. 6 on the 21
day of April, 2014, at 8:30 o'clock a.m.
P.M. of said day.

Dated this 24 day of March 2014



Michael J. Schofield
Defendant in ProPer
Person

Points AND Authorities

It is respectfully requested of this
Court to grant this motion for New Trial
for the reasons listed below:

1. Influencing testimony of witness by
Prosecutor.

2. New medical evidence.

1 3. District Attorney's failure to disclose
2 favorable evidence upon discovery.

3 4. Ineffective of Counsel. by Prior
4 COUNSEL.
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6 Points And Authorities

7 I. Procedural Background

8 1. It has been revealed that state had
9 prior knowledge of favorable medical
10 evidence, that had Evidence been
11 disclosed at or before trial this
12 evidence would have altered the
13 outcome of the trial.

14 2. New evidence that had not been
15 available until it had been discovered
16 until after trial.

17 3. District Attorney tampered and
18 influenced testimony from witness
19 on evidence not produced at trial.

20 4. Prior Counsel was ineffective in his
21 failure to ^{not} allow ^{me} to testify on my on
22 behalf.
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II. Argument.

Defendant asserts that his right to a fair trial and his right to due process of law has been violated.

Furthermore, District Attorney has violated and abused his position as an officer of the Court, in his blatant disregard of the rules of discovery and influencing / tampering of witness testimony.

The court notes that "a conviction obtained by the knowing use of tainted testimony is fundamentally unfair, and must be set aside, and new trial granted if there is any reasonable likelihood that the tainted testimony could have affected the judgment of the jury."

AGURS, 427 U.S., at 103, 96 S. Ct., 2397

Defendant was denied his due process of law that is guaranteed by the 5th and 14th amendments of the United States Constitution. Defendant's failure to request favorable evidence does not leave state free of obligation to disclose evidence to defendant under Brady Law.

United States v. Bagley, 473 U.S. 667, 105

1 S.Ct. 3375, 87 L.Ed.2d 481 (1985) the
2 Court disavowed any difference between
3 "specific-request" and "general-or-no-
4 request" situations. Bagley held that
5 failure by State to disclose evidence
6 to defense whether it is favorable
7 or not is material, and constitutional
8 error results from its suppression by
9 the State, "if there is a reasonable
10 probability that, had the evidence been
11 disclosed to the defense, the result
12 of the Proceeding would have been
13 different." 434 U.S., at 682, 105 S.Ct.
14 at 3385. Therefore, New Trial must be granted.

15 Prior Counsel was also ineffective in
16 his obligation and his duty as my
17 advocate. Defendant has an unqualified
18 right to legal assistance that expresses
19 loyalty to said defendant. "The right
20 to counsel is the right [also] to effective
21 of counsel." Cuyler v. Sullivan 100 S.Ct.
22 17-8 (1980); and Frazier v. U.S. 18 F.3d 778
23 (9th Cir. 1994).

24 Furthermore, regarding the Jury finding
25 of guilt on the charge of kidnapping is
error neos, what to not grant a New
Trial would be mockery and a loss
of trust in the Justice system. The
Grandmother / Guardian of the Victim
stated she gave defendant permission

to take alleged victim / son. Insufficiency of the evidence occurs where the Prosecution has not produced a minimum threshold of evidence upon which a conviction can be based. State v. Purcell, 110 Nev. 1389, 887 P.2d 276 (1994).

In a letter to the District Attorney dated May 1st, 2013 mother of defendant sent information to the District Attorney stating defendant suffers from mental / medical issues. This information was unknown to defendant until after trial. There must be a factual showing that the newly discovered evidence could not have been obtained through the due diligence prior to trial, and that it would have been discovered and produced a different verdict if a new trial is granted.

Burton v. State 84 Nev. 191, 437 P.2d 861, (1968).

Hilt v. State, 91 Nev. 654, 541 P.2d 645, (1975)

This is an actuality that the Court must address. Anything short of a New trial would further a manifest of injustice and a loss of faith in the Justice System.

DATED THIS 24 day of march, 2014.

I, Michael J. Schofield, do

solemnly swear, under the penalty of perjury, that

the above testimony of evidence is accurate,

correct, and true to the best of my knowledge.

NRS 171.102 and NRS 208.165.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Schofield
MICHAEL J SCHOFIELD
Defendant in PROPER PERSON

MICHAEL SCHOFIELD #1679195

Name/ID

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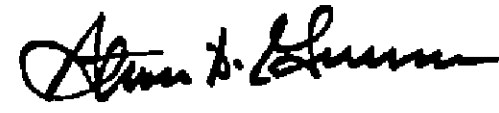
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EXHIBIT 2


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DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

9 THE STATE OF NEVADA,

10 Plaintiff,)

11 -vs-

12 MICHAEL JOHN SCHOFIELD,
13 #1679195

14 Defendant.

CASE NO: C-13-287009-1

DEPT NO: VI

15 **STATE'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL**

16 DATE OF HEARING: April 7, 2014
17 TIME OF HEARING: 8:30 AM

18 COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, Clark County
19 District Attorney, through MARIA E. LAVELL, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and hereby
20 submits the attached Points and Authorities in Opposition to Defendant's Motion for New
21 Trial.

22 This Opposition to Defendant's Motion for New Trial is made and based upon all the
23 papers and pleadings on file herein, the attached Points and Authorities in support hereof, and
24 oral argument at the time of hearing, if deemed necessary by this Honorable Court.

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1 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

2 STATEMENT OF FACTS

3 On January 6, 2013, Defendant arrived at his mother and stepfather's home to pick up
4 his son, Michael Schofield, Jr. ("Michael"), and take him to the store. Defendant's mother and
5 stepfather had guardianship over Michael. The stepfather did not want Defendant to take
6 Michael. Michael also did not want to go with Defendant. Defendant got upset. Defendant
7 forcibly grabbed Michael around the neck, in a chokehold, and dragged him out of the house
8 by his neck towards Defendant's vehicle. The stepfather tried to intervene, but Defendant
9 pushed the stepfather away. Defendant then forcibly pushed Michael into the vehicle and
10 started to hit him. Neighbors, who are off-duty police officers, witnessed the altercation and
11 came over to help. They restrained Defendant, allowing Michael to escape, until patrol officers
12 arrived. Michael had a hard time breathing and had red marks on his neck when the patrol
13 officers arrived.

14 On January 29, 2013, the State filed an Information, charging Defendant with Count
15 I – Burglary, Count II – Battery Constituting Domestic Violence – Strangulation, Count III –
16 Child Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment, and Count IV – First Degree Kidnapping. An
17 Amended Information was filed on January 27, 2014, with the same charges. The six-day jury
18 trial began on January 27, 2014. On February 3, 2014, the jury returned a guilty verdict on
19 Count III – Child Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment and Count IV – First Degree Kidnapping;
20 Defendant was found not guilty on Count I and Count II. The Sentencing Hearing is scheduled
21 for April 7, 2014. However, on March 28, 2014, Defendant filed the instant Motion for a New
22 Trial in proper person.

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ARGUMENT

I. The State Does Not Have Any Knowledge of Medical Evidence That Would Have Altered the Outcome of the Trial

Defendant claims that his mother sent a letter, dated May 1, 2013, to the District Attorney's Office, which revealed that Defendant suffers from mental/medical issues. The District Attorney's Office never received any medical records associated with this crime and the State is not obligated to look into a Defendant's medical history. Therefore, the State did not fail to disclose medical evidence. Even if Defendant's mother sent a letter to the District Attorney's Office, a letter written by Defendant's mother does not constitute medical evidence. There is no indication that Defendant's mother is a physician or capable of diagnosing Defendant with any type of medical issue or mental disorder. Defendant, in his motion for a new trial, failed to specify what medical or mental issue he claims to suffer from beyond testifying at trial, over the State's objection, that he suffered from a seizure in the past. Even if Defendant suffers seizures, there was no medical evidence produced at trial that this was somehow related to Defendant's behavior when he committed the crimes in this case and, therefore, would not have altered the outcome of the trial. Therefore, the Court should deny Defendant's request for a new trial.

II. There Is No Newly Discovered Evidence

Defendant claims that there is newly discovered evidence, but he does not assert what the newly discovered evidence is specifically. The only evidence Defendant mentions in his motion is the alleged letter from his mother, stating Defendant suffers from medical/mental issues. Defendant claims the letter was dated on May 1, 2013, at least six (6) months prior to his trial. Again, this letter is not medical evidence. Defendant has previously stated that he suffers from seizures; Defendant would be aware of any treatment by physicians for his seizures or any other medical or mental issues. There is no new medical documentation of any medical or mental issues. Even if there is medical evidence, it would not have altered the outcome of the trial. Therefore, the Court should deny Defendant's request for a new trial.

1 **III. The District Attorney Did Not Tamper or Influence Testimony of Witnesses**

2 Defendant claims that the District Attorney tampered and influenced testimony from
3 witnesses. Defendant did not provide any facts to support these claims. As such, Defendant's
4 claims are baseless. Therefore, the Court should deny Defendant's request for a new trial.

5 **IV. Defendant's Claim of Ineffective Assistance of Counsel Should be Denied**

6 Defendant also claims that his trial counsel was ineffective for failing to allow
7 Defendant to testify. "The United States Supreme Court has recognized that [the Defendant]
8 has the ultimate authority to make certain fundamental decisions regarding the case, including
9 the decision to testify." Lara v. State, 120 Nev. 177, 182, 87 P.3d 528, 531 (2004). It was
10 Defendant's decision whether or not to testify at his trial. Thus, there is no ineffective
11 assistance of counsel claim. Therefore, the Court should deny Defendant's request for a new
12 trial.

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1 CONCLUSION

2 For the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests this Court to deny Defendant's
3 Motion for New Trial.

4 DATED this 4th day of April, 2014.

5 Respectfully submitted,

6 STEVEN B. WOLFSON
7 Clark County District Attorney
8 Nevada Bar #001565

9 BY Maria E. Lavelle
10 MARIA E. LAVELLE
11 Chief Deputy District Attorney
12 Nevada Bar #010120

13 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

14 I hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing was made this 4th day of April,
15 2014, by depositing a copy in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

16 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, #1679195
17 CLARK COUNTY DETENTION CENTER
18 330 S. CASINO CENTER BLVD.
19 LAS VEGAS, NV, 89101

20 BY /s/ E. Goddard
21 E. Goddard
22 Secretary for the District Attorney's Office
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STATE OF NEVADA

Plaintiff,

vs.

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Defendant

) Case No.: C-13-287009-1

) Dept. No.: 6

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DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO STATE'S OPPOSITION TO
DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

COMES NOW DEFENDANT, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD,
IN PROPER PERSON, AND HEREBY SUBMITS THE DEFENDANT
RESPONSE TO STATE'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S
MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL.

THIS MOTION IS BASED ON ALL RECORDS AND FILES AS
WELL AS POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN THE MOTION FOR
NEW TRIAL. IN ADDITION ANY ARGUMENT ADDUCED AT
THE TIME OF THE HEARING OF THE MOTION FOR NEW
TRIAL, THE DEFENDANT DISAGREES WITH THE STATES
OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL AND BELIEVES
DEFENDANT SHOULD BE GRANTED A NEW TRIAL

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MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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STATEMENT OF FACTS

My Response TO THE STATES OPPOSITION OF DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL, STATEMENT OF FACTS IS THAT ~~THESE~~ ^{THEIR} STATEMENT OF FACTS ARE NOT FACTS WHAT SO EVER. STARTING WITH MY SONS NAME BEING MICHAEL JOSHUA SCHOFIELD, TO THE STEPFATHER'S DECLARATION TO THE DEFENDANT PUSHING THE DEFENDANTS STEP FATHER, TO THE DEFENDANT HITTING THE VICTIM, HIS SON, IN THE VEHICLE. I HOPE TO HAVE THE MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL HEARD AND TO SHOW THAT THE POINTS BROUGHT UP AT THE HEARING AS WELL AS THOSE IN THE MOTION, WILL INSPIRE THE HONORABLE JUDGE TO GRANT A NEW TRIAL. I HOPE AND PRAY THAT THE HONORABLE JUDGE ALLOWS ME TO BE HEARD, TO PRODUCE JUSTICE, IN THIS CASE.

DATED THIS 8 day of APRIL, 2014.

I, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, do

solemnly swear, under the penalty of perjury, that

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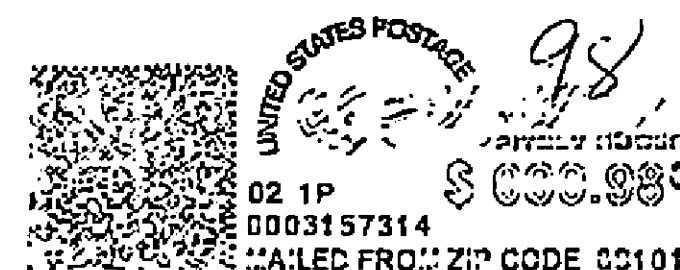
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MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

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DEPT NO: VI

**STATE'S REPLY TO DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO STATE'S
OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL**

DATE OF HEARING: June 9, 2014
TIME OF HEARING: 8:30 AM

COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, Clark County District Attorney, through MARIA E. LAVELL, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and hereby submits the attached Points and Authorities in Opposition to Defendant's Motion for New Trial.

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1 CONCLUSION

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4 DATED this 16th day of April, 2014.

5 Respectfully submitted,

6 STEVEN B. WOLFSON
7 Clark County District Attorney
Nevada Bar #001565

8 BY


9 MARIA E. LAVELL
10 Chief Deputy District Attorney
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EXHIBIT 5

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CLERK OF THE COURT

1 MICHAEL J SCHOFIELD #1679195

DISTRICT COURT

2 330 S. CASINO CENTER

CLARK COUNTY

3 LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89101

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6 STATE OF NEVADA DEPT NO. 6

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8 VS

9 MICHAEL J SCHOFIELD DATE OF HEARING JUNE 9, 2014

10 DEFENDANT TIME OF HEARING 8:30 A.M.

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12 DEFENDANTS ANNENDUM REPLY TO STATES

13 REPLY TO DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO STATES

14 OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS MOTION

15 FOR NEW TRIAL

16 COMES NOW DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON AND

17 HEREBY SUBMITS THE ATTACHED POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

18 TO SUPPORT THE DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL. THIS

19 ANNENDUM REPLY TO STATE REPLY TO DEFENDANTS RESPONSE

20 TO STATES OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW

21 TRIAL IS MADE AND BASED UPON ALL THE PAPERS AND

22 PLEADINGS ON FILE HEREIN, THE ATTACHED POINTS

23 AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF AND ANY ARGUMENT

24 ANNOUNCED AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING OF THIS MOTION.

25 *Michael Schofield*

26 *MICHAEL J SCHOFIELD*

27 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

CLERK OF THE COURT

POINT AND AUTHORITIES

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2 IN THE STATE'S REPLY TO THE DEFENDANTS
3 RESPONSE TO THE STATE'S OPPOSITION TO THE
4 DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL, THE STATE ACKNOWLEDGES
5 THAT IN THE DEFENDANTS RESPONSE, THE DEFENDANT
6 CORRECTLY POINTS OUT ERRORS IN THE STATE'S
7 OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL, SPECIFICALLY IN
8 THE STATES FACT SECTION OF ITS OPPOSITION TO MOTION
9 FOR NEW TRIAL. THE STATE IN ITS REPLY CLAIMS TO
10 HAVE CORRECTED THESE ERRORS. YET IN READING THE
11 STATE'S REPLY, THE STATE DID NOT CORRECT THOSE ERRORS,
12 BUT INSTEAD REPLACED THE ERRORS, WITH OTHER ERRORS,
13 WHICH SHOULD NOT BE PART OF A STATEMENT OF FACT.
14 THE DEFENDANT IS NOT ONLY DISPUTING THE STATES
15 STATEMENT OF FACTS, IN THE STATE'S REPLY, BUT
16 ALSO THE STATES LEGAL ARGUMENT IN THE
17 STATE'S REPLY. THE DEFENDANT WILL PRESENT
18 STATEMENT OF FACTS AND LEGAL ARGUMENTS,
19 SUPPORTING ITS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL, IN A
20 MORE THOROUGH WAY TO SHOW THAT JUSTICE
21 WOULD BE PROPERLY SERVED IF THE HONORABLE
22 JUDGE GRANTED A NEW TRIAL.

23 Michael Schofield

24 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

25 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

STATEMENT OF FACT

1 MICHAEL JOHN SCHOFIELD, (HEREINAFTER "THE DEFENDANT") WAS
2 FOUND GUILTY OF COUNT III CHILD ABUSE, AND GUILTY OF
3 COUNT IV FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. THE DEFENDANT WAS
4 FOUND NOT GUILTY OF COUNT I BURGLARY, AND NOT GUILTY
5 OF COUNT II BATTERY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE — STRANGULATION.
6 IN THE STATES REPLY, THE STATE IMPLYS THAT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE
7 CALLED 911 TO KEEP THE DEFENDANT FROM TAKING MICHAEL
8 JOSHUA SCHOFIELD (HEREINAFTER "MICHAEL") TO THE STORE. PATRICIA
9 DUPLISSIE CALLED 911 WHEN THE DEFENDANT PUT MICHAEL IN
10 A HEADLOCK. PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN, TESTIFIED
11 UNDER OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND, THAT SHE GAVE THE DEFENDANT
12 PERMISSION TO TAKE MICHAEL TO THE STORE. MICHAEL, THE DEFENDANT'S
13 SON, TESTIFIED UNDER OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND, THAT PATRICIA
14 DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN, GAVE THE DEFENDANT PERMISSION
15 TO TAKE MICHAEL TO THE STORE. THE DEFENDANT, TESTIFIED UNDER
16 OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND, THAT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL
17 GUARDIAN, GAVE THE DEFENDANT PERMISSION TO TAKE MICHAEL
18 TO THE STORE. BOTH PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN, AND
19 MICHAEL WERE WITNESSES FOR THE STATE. BOTH OF WHICH
20 TESTIFIED UNDER OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND, THAT PATRICIA
21 DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN, GAVE THE DEFENDANT ^{PERMISSION} TO
22 TAKE MICHAEL TO THE STORE. THE STATE DID NOT PRODUCE
23 ANY EVIDENCE TO DENY THAT CONSENT WAS GIVEN FROM
24 THE LEGAL GUARDIAN TO THE DEFENDANT.
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1 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE CALLED 911 WHEN THE DEFENDANT PUT
2 MICHAEL IN A HEADLOCK. PATRICIA DUPLISSIE DID NOT CALL
3 911 BEFORE THE DEFENDANT PUT MICHAEL IN A HEADLOCK.
4 BEING THAT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN,
5 MICHAEL JOHN SCHOFIELD, THE DEFENDANT, AND MICHAEL
6 JOSHUA SCHOFIELD, THE DEFENDANT'S SON, ALL TESTIFIED
7 UNDER OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND, THAT PATRICIA
8 DUPLISSIE GAVE THE DEFENDANT PERMISSION TO TAKE
9 MICHAEL TO THE STORE AND THAT THIS TESTIMONY
10 STANDS UNREFUTED, IT MUST BE CONCLUDED THAT
11 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE WOULD NOT HAVE CALLED 911 IF
12 MICHAEL GOT IN THE CAR AND WENT TO THE STORE, AFTER
13 JUST GIVING PERMISSION TO THE DEFENDANT TO TAKE
14 MICHAEL TO THE STORE. IT MUST BE CONCLUDED THAT
15 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE CALLED 911 BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT
16 PUT MICHAEL IN A HEADLOCK. BEING THAT WITHOUT
17 AUTHORITY OF LAW IS AN INTRINSIC ELEMENT OF
18 FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING, AND THAT THE STATE DID
19 NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE
20 DEFENDANT DID NOT HAVE CONSENT FROM THE LEGAL
21 GUARDIAN, ON THIS FACT ALONE THE COURT SHOULD,
22 IF NOT VACATE THE VERDICT, THEN THE HONORABLE
23 JUDGE SHOULD GRANT THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL.
24 SURY INSTRUCTION NO. 5 STATES: 'THE DEFENDANT IS
25 PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL THE CONTRARY IS

1 PROVEN. THIS PRESUMPTION PLACES UPON THE
2 STATE THE BURDEN OF PROVING BEYOND A
3 REASONABLE DOUBT EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME
4 CHARGED. A REASONABLE DOUBT IS ONE BASED ON REASON.
5 DOUBT TO BE REASONABLE MUST BE ACTUAL, NOT
6 MERELY POSSIBILITY OR SPECULATION. IF YOU HAVE
7 REASONABLE DOUBT AS TO THE GUILT OF THE
8 DEFENDANT, HE IS ENTITLED TO A VERDICT OF NOT
9 GUILTY. THE STATE MADE AN EFFORT TO DISCREDIT
10 THE TESTIMONY OF PATRICIA DUPLESSIE, SPENDING A
11 GOOD PORTION OF THE FIRST OF THE STATE'S TWO
12 CLOSING ARGUMENTS DEDICATED TO THIS CAUSE. JURY
13 INSTRUCTION NO. 8 IS ABOUT THE CREDIBILITY OF A
14 WITNESS. IT STATES IN PART: 'IF YOU BELIEVE THAT A
15 WITNESS HAS LIED ABOUT ANY MATERIAL FACT IN THE CASE,
16 YOU MAY DISREGARD THE ENTIRE TESTIMONY OF THAT
17 WITNESS OR ANY PORTION OF HIS TESTIMONY WHICH
18 IS NOT PROVED BY OTHER EVIDENCE.' IF THE JURY
19 DISREGARDED PATRICIA DUPLESSIE'S TESTIMONY,
20 THIS PORTION OF PATRICIA DUPLESSIE'S TESTIMONY,
21 GIVING CONSENT TO THE DEFENDANT TO TAKE
22 MICHAEL TO THE STORE WAS CONFIRMED BY
23 BOTH THE DEFENDANT AND HIS SON MICHAEL, THE STATE
24 DID NOT REFUTE THE TESTIMONY OF ALL THREE TESTIFYING TO
25 THIS FACT. THIS IS AN EFFORT TO BRING THE BURDEN

1 OF PROOF ONTO THE DEFENDANT. DURING THE
2 TRIAL, OUTSIDE THE PRESENCE OF THE JURY, THE
3 DEFENDANT OBJECTED TO JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 10,
4 IN THAT IT REMOVED A KEY ELEMENT OF FIRST
5 DEGREE KIDNAPPING. SPECIFICALLY THAT CONSENT
6 OF THE LEGAL GUARDIAN IS NOT A FACTOR IN
7 DETERMINING IF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING DID OR
8 DID NOT OCCUR. JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 10 READS:
9 'EVERY PERSON WHO LEADS, TAKES, ENTICES, OR CARRIES
10 AWAY, OR DETAINS, ANY MINOR, WITH THE INTENT
11 TO KEEP, IMPRISON, OR CONFINES THE MINOR FROM
12 HIS PARENTS, GUARDIANS, OR ANY OTHER PERSON
13 HAVING LAWFUL CUSTODY OF THE MINOR IS GUILTY
14 OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. A KIDNAPPING
15 DOES NOT REQUIRE FORCE. THE DEFENDANT'S CONCERN
16 IS THAT THE JURY CAME TO THE SAME CONCLUSION THAT
17 THE DEFENDANT DID IN READING THIS, EVEN THOUGH THE
18 DEFENDANT DID HAVE CONSENT TO TAKE MICHAEL TO THE
19 STORE, FROM THE LEGAL GUARDIAN, THAT CONSENT ~~WAS~~ OR
20 ~~WAS~~ LACK OF CONSENT WAS NOT AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIME,
21 WHICH WOULD REMOVE THE BURDEN OF THE STATE TO
22 PROVE EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME. THIS ALONE WOULD BE
23 GROUNDS FOR THE COURT TO GRANT THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL,
24 BEING THAT THE STATE DID NOT PROVE THE DEFENDANT DID NOT HAVE
25 CONSENT BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.

1 JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 10 SUBTRACTS MANY ASPECTS OF
2 NRS 200.310(1) WHICH DEFINES FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING,
3 ESPECIALLY THE MOST GRIEVOUS. AND INSTRUCTION NO. 10
4 ADDS A SENTENCE TO THE INSTRUCTION THAT IS NOT IN
5 NRS 200.310(1), WHICH READS: A PERSON WHO WILLFULLY
6 SEIZES, CONFINES, INVEIGLES, ENTICES, DECOYS, ABDUCTS,
7 CONCEALS, KIDNAPS, OR CARRIES AWAY A PERSON BY ANY
8 MEANS WHATSOEVER WITH THE INTENT TO HOLD OR
9 DETAIN, OR WHO HOLDS OR DETAINS, THE PERSON FOR
10 RANSOM, OR REWARD, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMMITTING
11 SEXUAL ASSAULT, EXTORTION OR ROBBERY UPON OR
12 FROM THE PERSON, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF KILLING
13 THE PERSON, OR TO EXACT FROM RELATIVES, FRIENDS
14 OR ANY OTHER PERSON ANY MONEY OR VALUABLE
15 THINGS FOR THE RETURN OR DISPOSITION OF THE
16 ~~KIDNAPPED~~ KIDNAPPED PERSON, AND A PERSON
17 WHO LEANS, TAKES, ENTICES, OR CARRIES AWAY
18 OR DETAINS ANY MINOR WITH THE INTENT TO KEEP,
19 IMPRISON, OR CONFINES THE MINOR FROM HIS OR
20 HER PARENTS, GUARDIANS, OR ANY OTHER PERSON
21 HAVING LAWFUL CUSTODY OF THE MINOR OR WITH
22 THE INTENT TO HOLD THE MINOR TO UNLAWFUL
23 SERVICE, OR PERPETRATE UPON THE PERSON OF THE MINOR
24 AN UNLAWFUL ACT IS GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
25 WHICH IS A CLASS 'A' FELONY.

1 At no point did the state prove that the

2 defendant's intent was to keep, imprison, or

3 confine, his son, Michael. Both legal

4 guardians, Norman DuPlisse and Patricia DuPlisse,

5 and the defendant, and Michael, testified under

6 oath, on the witness stand that the defendants

7 intent was to go to the store and return. The

8 charge of first degree kidnapping requires an

9 inquiry of the specific intent of the defendant.

10 Jury instruction No. 11 states in whole: "It is

11 the fact, not the distance, of forcible movement

12 of the victim, that constitutes kidnapping. This

13 helps further define kidnapping, which is one

14 element of first degree kidnapping. The word

15 kidnapping is actually used to describe one

16 element of first degree kidnapping in NRS

17 200.310(1). To use this terminology jury instruction

18 No. 11 should read, the fact not the distance of

19 forcible movement, combined with the intent to

20 keep, imprison, or confine. This jury instruction

21 is very misleading to the jury which did not

22 have the option of finding guilty to a

23 lesser degree of kidnapping, yet was given

24 a definition of a lesser degree of

25 kidnapping as an instruction.

1 THERE IS A REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE
2 JURY APPLIED, JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 10 AND JURY
3 INSTRUCTION NO. 11, IN A WAY THAT RELIEVED THE
4 STATE OF ITS BURDEN OF PROVING EVERY
5 ELEMENT OF THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE
6 KIDNAPPING, BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.
7 THIS CONCLUSION CAN BE MADE BASED ON
8 THE FACT THE STATE DID NOT EVEN TRY
9 TO PROVE, NOR DID THEY, THAT THE DEFENDANT'S
10 INTENT WAS TO KEEP, IMPRISON, OR CONFINED,
11 HIS SON MICHAEL. THIS CAN ALSO BE CONCLUDED,
12 THAT BASED ON THE TESTIMONY OF THREE WITNESSES,
13 THAT ALL STATED, THAT AT VIRTUALLY THE SAME TIME
14 DURING THE INCIDENT, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN GAVE
15 THE DEFENDANT PERMISSION TO TAKE MICHAEL TO
16 THE STORE. THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
17 AND EVERY ELEMENT OF THAT CRIME WAS NOT
18 PROVED BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT. BEING THAT
19 THE VERDICT OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING ~~WAS~~
20 ~~CONTRARY~~ WAS CONTRARY TO LAW, THE COURT SHOULD GRANT
21 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL. BEING THAT THE VERDICT
22 OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING WAS
23 CONTRARY TO EVIDENCE THE HONORABLE JUDGE
24 SHOULD GRANT THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL.

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1 STATE V. STANLEY, 4 NEV. 71, 4 NEV. 73, 1868, NEV.

2 LEXIS 14 (1868)

3 THE RIGHT TO GRANT NEW TRIALS BEING

4 CONFERRED UPON THE DISTRICT COURTS, ITS

5 EXERCISE BY THEM IN ANY PARTICULAR CASE WILL BE

6 PRESUMED TO BE CORRECT AND PROPER UNTIL THE

7 CONTRARY IS SHOWN.

8 STATE V. CROCKETT, 84 NEV. 516, 444 P. 2d 896, NEV. LEXIS 398 (1968)

9 THE EXERCISE BY THE TRIAL COURT OF THE RIGHT TO

10 GRANT A NEW TRIAL WILL BE PRESUMED CORRECT AND PROPER

11 BY THE APPELLATE COURT UNTIL THE CONTRARY IS SHOWN.

12 NYATT V. STATE, 101 NEV. 761 P. 2d 720, 1985 NEV. LEXIS 509 (1985)

13 WHERE THE EVIDENCE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO

14 JUSTIFY A RATIONAL JURY IN FINDING GUILT BEYOND

15 A REASONABLE DOUBT, A JURY'S VERDICT WILL NOT BE

16 UPHOLD ON APPEAL; ACCORDINGLY, UNDER SUCH

17 CIRCUMSTANCES, THE ADVISORY INSTRUCTION

18 AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION IS PROPER.

19 LENZ V. STATE, 97 NEV. 65, 624 P. 2d 15, 1981 NEV. LEXIS

20 434 (1981) THE GRANTING OF AN ADVISORY INSTRUCTION

21 TO ACQUIT RESTS WITHIN THE SOUND DISCRETION

22 OF THE COURT.

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1 BURKHART V. STATE 107 NEV. 797, 820 P.2d 757, 1991
2 LEXIS 173 (1991) THERE WAS NO TESTIMONY WHICH
3 WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THE JURY TO INFER WHAT
4 DEFENDANT INTENDED TO DO WITH THE VICTIM.
5 WADINGTON V. SARAUAN, 555 U.S. 179, 129,
6 S. Ct. 823, 172 L. Ed. 2d. 539 (2009)
7 DEFENDANT CHALLENGING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY
8 OF A JURY INSTRUCTION THAT QUOTES A STATE
9 STATUTE MUST ~~SHOW~~ SHOW BOTH THE INSTRUCTION
10 WAS AMBIGUOUS AND THAT THERE WAS A "REASONABLE
11 LIKELIHOOD" THAT THE JURY APPLIED THE INSTRUCTION
12 IN A WAY THAT RELIEVED THE STATE OF ITS BURDEN
13 OF PROVING EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME
14 BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT. THE PERTINENT
15 QUESTION IS WHETHER "THE INSTRUCTION BY
16 ITSELF SO INFECTED THE ENTIRE TRIAL THAT
17 THE RESULTING CONVICTION VIOLATES DUE PROCESS."
18 JOHNSON V. US, 520 U.S. 461, 466-67, 117 S. Ct.
19 1544 (1997) (EXPLAINING ERRORS CAN BE
20 CORRECTED WHEN THERE IS (1) ERROR (2) THAT
21 IS PLAIN (3) THAT AFFECTS SUBSTANTIAL
22 RIGHTS (4) SERIOUSLY AFFECTS THE
23 FAIRNESS, INTEGRITY OR PUBLIC
24 REPUTATION OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDING).

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1 WASHINGTON V STATE 98 NEV. 601:655 P. 2d
2 531; 1982 NEV. LEXIS 542 No. 1294 DEC. 29, 1982
3 DEFENDANT CONTENDED THAT THE TRIAL COURT HAD
4 AUTHORITY TO CONSIDER HIS MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL.
5 FURTHER NRS 176.515(3) DESCRIBED CONDITIONS THAT
6 WERE TO HAVE BEEN MET FOR A NEW TRIAL BASED ON
7 NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE; HOWEVER NRS 176.515(4)
8 RECOGNIZED THAT A MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL MIGHT BE BASED
9 ON "OTHER GROUNDS". THE COURT HELD THAT SUCH "OTHER
10 GROUNDS" EXISTED WHEN THE TRIAL COURT DISAGREED
11 WITH THE JURY'S VERDICT AFTER AN INDEPENDENT
12 EVALUATION OF THE EVIDENCE. THEREFORE THE COURT
13 CONCLUDED THAT THE TRIAL COURT OPERATED UNDER
14 THE ERRONEOUS BELIEF THAT IT LACKED JURISDICTION
15 TO RULE ON DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL,
16 AND THE JUDGE ERRED BY FAILING TO EXERCISE
17 HIS DISCRETION. THE COURT REVERSED THE TRIAL
18 COURT'S DENIAL OF DEFENDANT MOTION FOR NEW
19 TRIAL AND REMANDED THE CASE.

20 COBB V. POZZI 363 F. 3d 89, 116 (2d Cir 2004)
21 AN ERRONEOUS JURY INSTRUCTIONS
22 REQUIRES REVERSAL ON APPEAL UNLESS
23 THE ERROR IS HARMLESS.

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STATE V. VAUWINKLE, 6 NEV. 340

STATE V. JONES, 7 NEV. 408

STATE V. MILLS, 12 NEV. 403

STATE V. BAUER, 34 NEV. 305, 122 P. 76

HISTORICALLY, NEVADA HAS EMPLOYED

THE TRIAL COURT IN A CRIMINAL CASE, WHERE
THE EVIDENCE OF GUILT IS CONFLICTING, TO

INDEPENDENTLY EVALUATE THE EVIDENCE AND

ORDER ANOTHER TRIAL IF IT DOES NOT AGREE WITH

THE JURY'S CONCLUSION THAT THE DEFENDANT

HAS BEEN PROVEN GUILTY BEYOND A REASONABLE

DOUBT. THE JURY AND THE COURT MUST BE

CONVINCED OF THE DEFENDANT'S GUILT. IF

THE COURT IS NOT CONVINCED, IT MAY PROTECT

THE DEFENDANT TO THE EXTENT OF

AUTHORIZING ANOTHER TRIAL BEFORE ANOTHER

JURY. ACCORDINGLY, THE "TOTALITY OF THE

EVIDENCE IS THE STANDARD FOR THE DISTRICT

COURT TO USE IN DECIDING WHETHER TO

GRANT A NEW TRIAL BASED ON AN

INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF

CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.

23 NRS 175.535 THE GROUNDS FOR ANOTHER

24 TRIAL.

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ARGUMENT

I. STATE FAILURE TO DISCLOSE FAVORABLE EVIDENCE.

PATRICIA SUPLISSIE SENT A LETTER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND SENT A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE, ATTN: DAN JENKINS ON MAY 1, 2013. THE ENVELOPE IS DATED MAY 1, 2013. THE LETTER HEAD IS DATED MAY 1, 2013. THE LETTER STATES IN PART: 'IN RECENT MONTHS BEFORE THE INCIDENT ON 1/6/13, MICHAEL JOHN (FATHER) HAD INCURRED SEVERAL MEDICAL INCIDENTS WHICH REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION. ON ONE INCIDENT HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH HAVING SEIZURES, WHICH REQUIRED MEDICATION. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS SITUATION WAS SUPPORTED BY THE MEDICAL STAFF AT THE DETENTION CENTER AND IN FACT HE HAS BEEN HOUSED IN THE PSYCHIATRIC WARD. YOU MAY WISH TO REVIEW THIS SITUATION AND DETERMINE IF DIMINISHED MENTAL CAPACITY MAY BE AN ISSUE IN THIS CASE. I BELIEVE WE ALL WISH TO SEE JUSTICE DONE IN THIS MATTER. HOPEFULLY THE ABOVE INFORMATION MAY BE HELPFUL TO YOU IN ACCOMPLISHING THIS GOAL.'

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1 THERE ARE MANY ERRORS IN BOTH THE STATES OPPOSITION
2 ARGUMENT I SECTION AND IN THE STATES REPLY

3 ARGUMENT I SECTION. ALSO SOME OF THESE ERRORS

4 APPEAR TO BE INTENTIONALLY TRYING TO MISLEAD THE
5 COURT AND THE HONORABLE JUDGE. THE DISTRICT

6 ATTORNEY REFUSES EVEN TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE D.A.

7 RECEIVED THIS LETTER, WHICH WAS SENT VIA THE U.S.

8 POST OFFICE, AN EXTREMELY RELIABLE DELIVERY

9 SERVICE, AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DAN DENKINS

10 RECEIVED HIS COPY OF THIS LETTER. SINCE THE

11 DEFENSE PUT IN A REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY AND

12 PERMITS TO NRS 174.245, THE DEFENSE IS OBLIGATED

13 TO PROVIDE FOR THE D.A.'S OFFICE A COPY OF ANY WRITTEN OR

14 RECORDED STATEMENT MADE BY ANY WITNESS. SO UNLESS

15 THE STATE DID NOT RECEIVE THE LETTER SENT THRU THE

16 MAIL AND THE STATE DID NOT RECEIVE THE LETTER IN TRANSFER

17 OF DISCOVERY, THEN THE STATE DID RECEIVE THIS LETTER.

18 FURTHERMORE, PATRICIA DUFFISSIE IN HER LETTER, DID

19 NOT CLAIM TO BE A PHYSICIAN CAPABLE OF DIAGNOSING

20 MEDICAL ISSUES OR MEDICAL DISORDERS. WHAT SHE

21 DID SAY IN HER LETTER IS THAT THOSE WHO ARE CAPABLE

22 OF DIAGNOSING MEDICAL ISSUES OR MEDICAL DISORDERS

23 HAVE DIAGNOSED THE DEFENDANT WITH A MEDICAL ISSUE

24 OR MEDICAL DISORDER THAT VERY WELL COULD HAVE

25 BEEN A RELLEVANT FACTOR IN HIS BEHAVIOR THAT DAY.

1 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS MISLEADING THE
 2 COURT, WHEN IN THE STATE'S REPLY ARGUMENT I
 3 SECTION, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CLAIMS THAT
 4 THE DEFENDANT 'FAILED TO SPECIFY WHAT
 5 MEDICAL CONDITION OR NEUTRAL ISSUES THE
 6 DEFENDANT CLAIMS TO SUFFER FROM BEYOND
 7 TESTIFYING AT TRIAL, OVER THE STATE'S
 8 OBJECTIONS; THIS IS A FALSE STATEMENT
 9 BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. THE STATE'S
 10 OBJECTIONS WERE HEARD BY THE HONORABLE
 11 JUDGE. THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT
 12 ALLOWED TO COMPLETE HIS TESTIMONY
 13 ABOUT HIS MEDICAL ISSUES OR NEUTRAL
 14 DISORDER, WHEN THE STATE OBJECTED
 15 BASED ON NOT HAVING ANY FOREKNOWLEDGE
 16 OF MEDICAL OR NEUTRAL HEALTH ISSUES
 17 OF THE DEFENDANT.

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1 ROBINSON V. CAIN, 510 F. Supp. 2d 399 (E.D.L.A. 2007)
2 APPLY BRADY, THE FIFTH CIRCUIT HAS FOUND
3 THAT EVEN INADMISSABLE EVIDENCE MAY BE
4 MATERIAL UNDER BRADY AND THAT THE
5 INADMISSABILITY OF EVIDENCE UNDER STATE
6 LAW IS NOT DISPOSITIVE ON THE ISSUE OF
7 MATERIALITY. INSTEAD THE QUESTION IS
8 "WHETHER THE DISCLOSURE OF THE
9 EVIDENCE WOULD HAVE CREATED A
10 REASONABLE PROBABILITY THAT THE
11 PROCEEDING WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT"
12 AND MORE SPECIFICALLY DOES THE
13 EVIDENCE "PUT THE WHOLE CASE IN A
14 DIFFERENT LIGHT AS TO UNDERMINE
15 THE CONFIDENCE IN THE VERDICT,"

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1 GONZ V. BELU, 556 U.S. 449, 129 S.Ct. 1769
2 173 L. Ed. 2d 701 (2009)

3 WHEN THERE IS A REASONABLE PROBABILITY
4 THAT, HAD THE EVIDENCE BEEN DISCLOSED, THE
5 RESULT OF THE PROCEEDING WOULD HAVE BEEN
6 DIFFERENT, IN OTHER WORDS, FAVORABLE
7 EVIDENCE IS SUBJECT TO CONSTITUTIONALITY
8 MANIFESTED DISCLOSURE WHEN IT "COULD
9 REASONABLY BE TAKEN TO PUT THE WHOLE
10 CASE IN SUCH A DIFFERENT LIGHT AS TO
11 UNDERMINE CONFIDENCE IN THE VERDICT."
12 IN GONZ, THE COURT CONCLUDED THAT THE
13 STATE SUPPRESSED EVIDENCE SUPPORTING
14 GONZ CLAIM AT TRIAL THAT HIS DRUG
15 ADDICTION AFFECTED HIS BEHAVIOR DURING
16 HIS CRIME SPREE AND THAT THE
17 PROSECUTORS ARGUMENT TO THE CONTRARY
18 WERE FALSE AND MISLEADING. IT
19 DEMANDS THE CASE FOR CONSIDERATION
20 OF WHETHER THERE WAS A REASONABLE
21 PROBABILITY "THE SUPPRESSED EVIDENCE
22 MIGHT HAVE PERSUADED ONE OF MORE
23 Juries."
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1 NRS 51.115 STATEMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF
2 MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS OR TREATMENT. STATEMENTS
3 MADE FOR PURPOSES OF MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS OR
4 TREATMENT AND DESCRIBING MEDICAL HISTORY, OR
5 PAST, OR PRESENT SYMPTOMS, PAINS OR SENSATIONS,
6 OR THE INCEPTION OR GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE
7 CAUSE OR EXTERNAL SOURCE THERE OF, ARE NOT
8 INADMISSABLE UNDER THE HEARSAY RULE INsofar
9 AS THEY WERE REASONABLY PERTINENT TO
10 DIAGNOSIS OR TREATMENT.

11 RULE 301, FED. R. EVID. (STATING THAT A PRESUMPTION
12 IMPOSES ON THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM IT IS DIRECTED
13 THE BURDEN OF GOING FORWARD WITH EVIDENCE
14 TO REBUT OR MEET THE PRESUMPTION, BUT DOES
15 NOT SHIFT TO SUCH PARTY THE BURDEN OF PROOF
16 IN THE SENSE OF THE RISK OF NONPERSUASION")
17 FOR EXAMPLE, IF IT IS SHOWN THAT A PERSON
18 MADE USE OF A RELIABLE MEANS OF
19 COMMUNICATION, A FACT FINDER CAN INFER,
20 THAT THE COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED.

21 KENDALL V. GATES 215 F.3d 825, 829-30 (8TH CIR 2000)

22 SMITH V. CUMMINGS, 445 F.3d 1254, 1260 (10TH CIR, 2006)

23 SULLIVAN V. FREEMAN 944 F.2d 334, 337 (7TH CIR 1991)

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II NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE

THE DEFENDANT WILL SHOW THAT THERE IS
NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE THAT WAS NOT
AVAILABLE TO THE DEFENDANT BEFORE OR DURING
TRIAL. THE NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE IS MEDICAL
REPORTS FROM JULY 2012, APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS
PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE ON JANUARY 6, 2013.
THERE ARE TWO REPORTS AND A THIRD DOCUMENT,
THAT APPEARS TO BE A DISCHARGE FORM, FROM ST. ROSE
HOSPITAL, THAT LISTS MEDICATION TO BE TAKEN (KEPRA 500mg)
TWICE DAILY. ONE REPORT IS AN MRI DONE ON THE
DEFENDANT'S BRAIN. IT GIVES AN EXAM DATE OF 7/3/12
TIME 2:06 PM PDT ACCOUNT NUMBER: 13-MR-12-018189
REPORT EXAM: MRI OF THE BRAIN WITH AND WITHOUT
CONTRAST 7/03/12 ORDER PHYSICIAN: AKBAR, TANVEER
PRINTED BY: ACEVES, TANIA RN PRINTED ON 7/4/12
DICTATED BY: CHANG, SCOTT. THE OTHER REPORT IS A
SLEEP LAB/EEG OR ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAM.
DATE OF PROCEDURE 7/3/12 REFERRING PHYSICIAN:
A. TANVEER, M.D., BUT IT ALSO HAS THE NAME STEPHEN
P. RAPS, M.D. ON THE REPORT. I DO NOT SEE AN
ACCOUNT #. THE DEFENDANT HAS BEEN INCARCERATED
SINCE THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE ON
JAN 6, 2013.
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1 THE SLEEP LAB / EEG SAYS STUDY INDICATIONS:
2 NEW ONSET SEIZURES AND CORRELATION
3 CLINICALLY AND CRANIALLY IMAGING IS ADVISED.
4 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN HER REPLY SAYS:
5 'DEFENDANT WOULD BE AWARE OF ANY
6 TREATMENT BY PHYSICIANS FOR HIS SEIZURES
7 OR ANY OTHER MEDICAL OR MENTAL ISSUES.'
8 THIS COULD NOT BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH, A
9 SYMPTOM OF THE SEIZURES IS MEMORY LOSS.
10 THE DEFENDANT FILED A MOTION TO DISMISS THE
11 PUBLIC DEFENDER IN JULY 2013. THE MOTION STATES
12 IN PART: 'DEFENDANT HAS A HISTORY OF SEIZURES -
13 AND EVEN HAD A MEDICAL EPISODE. DEFENDANT
14 REQUESTED HIS PUBLIC DEFENDER ADDRESS THIS ISSUE,
15 AS IT RELATES TO HIS DEFENSE, AND HE FAILED TO
16 ADDRESS DEFENDANT'S MEDICAL HISTORY AT ALL.'
17 AFTER THIS HEARING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER MADE
18 AN ATTORNEY VISIT TO C.C.D.C. AND PRESENTED MEDICAL
19 RELEASE FORMS FOR THE DEFENDANT TO SIGN
20 WHICH ARE DATED 7-24-13. THE DEFENDANT
21 INFORMED THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AT THIS VISIT
22 THAT THE ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS WAS NOW
23 REPRESENTING THE DEFENDANT. THE ATTORNEY
24 JOHN PARRIS MADE AN ATTORNEY VISIT TO THE
25 DEFENDANT ON AUGUST 5, 2013.

1 AT THIS INITIAL MEETING, WHICH WAS THE FIRST
2 TIME SPEAKING TO HIM, THE DEFENDANT EXPLAINED
3 THAT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER DID NOT INVESTIGATE
4 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL ISSUES (THE P.D.
5 BROUGHT THE MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS TO THE DEFENDANT
6 AFTER THE MOTION TO DISMISS COUNSEL COURT DATE AND
7 AFTER HE WAS NO LONGER REPRESENTING THE DEFENDANT)
8 JOHN PARRIS EXPRESSED TO THE DEFENDANT THAT HE
9 WOULD INVESTIGATE THE MEDICAL/MENTAL HISTORY
10 OF THE DEFENDANT AND THE FACTS OF THE CASE
11 TO DISCUSS WITH THE DEFENDANT'S DEFENSE
12 STRATEGIES. HE TOLD THE DEFENDANT HE WOULD
13 VISIT HIM AGAIN IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS. THE
14 DEFENDANT DID NOT HEAR OR SEE THE ATTORNEY
15 AGAIN UNTIL LATE OCTOBER IN COURT FOR THE
16 CALANDAR CALL. THE STATE REQUESTED A
17 CONTINUANCE. THE ATTORNEY PARRIS TOLD THE
18 DEFENDANT HE WOULD VISIT HIM SOON. THE
19 DEFENDANT DID NOT HEAR OR SEE THE ATTORNEY
20 AGAIN UNTIL A VIDEO VISIT ON JANUARY 22, 2014
21 THE DAY BEFORE CALANDAR CALL. THE ATTORNEY
22 JOHN PARRIS NEVER PRESENTED THE DEFENDANT
23 WITH MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS FOR THE DEFENDANT
24 TO SIGN. IN JANUARY OF 2013 WHEN THE
25 DEFENDANT WAS HOUSED IN THE PSYCH UNIT

1 AT D.D.C., THE PSYCH DOCTOR, WHO INTERVIEWED

2 THAT THE DEFENDANT SHOULD BE HOUSED IN THE

3 PSYCH UNIT SUGGESTED TO THE DEFENDANT, THAT

4 THE DEFENDANTS ATTORNEY, SHOULD LOOK INTO THE

5 DEFENDANTS MEDICAL HEALTH RECORDS, THAT THERE

6 COULD BE A CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DEFENDANTS

7 MEDICAL HEALTH CONDITION AND THE DEFENDANTS

8 ACTIONS ON JANUARY 6, 2013. HE STATED THAT HE IS

9 NOT AN ATTORNEY, BUT THAT HE WOULD SUGGEST IT

10 BE LOOKED INTO.

11 THE DEFENDANT STOPPED TAKING HIS SEIZURE

12 MEDICATION FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS

13 BEFORE THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE, BECAUSE

14 THE DEFENDANT DID NOT REMEMBER BEING

15 DIAGNOSED WITH SEIZURES. ALSO DID NOT REMEMBER

16 HAVING A SEIZURE. ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 6,

17 2013 THE DEFENDANT WOKE UP IN A PANIC STATE,

18 LOOKING FOR HIS SON MICHAEL. THE DEFENDANT

19 CALLED HIS BROTHER, ROBERT SCHOFIELD, TELLING HIS

20 BROTHER THAT HE CAN NOT FIND HIS SON. ROBERT

21 HAD TO EXPLAIN TO THE DEFENDANT THAT HIS SON,

22 DID NOT LIVE WITH THE DEFENDANT ANY MORE.

23 WITH THE DEFENDANT HAVING TROUBLE BELIEVING

24 THIS, ROBERT ASKED THE DEFENDANT IF HE TOOK

25 HIS SEIZURE MEDICATION. THE DEFENDANT DID

1 NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS EVIDENCE, THAT
2 THE DEFENDANT HAD A SEIZURE. ROBERT TOLD
3 THE DEFENDANT TO GALL MOM, THAT HIS SON
4 MICHAEL IS AT HER HOUSE, WHERE MICHAEL NOW
5 LIVED. THE DEFENDANT CALLED HIS MOTHER
6 AND SHE BROUGHT HIM SOME OVER THE COUNTER
7 MEDICATION BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT COMPLAINED
8 OF HAVING A BAD HEADACHE. THE DEFENDANTS
9 RECALL OF THE EARLY ASPECTS OF THE INCIDENT
10 IS NOT AN ISSUE BUT THERE IS NO RECALL AFTER
11 THE INCIDENT AND ~~SOMEWHERE~~ IN THE MIDDLE OF
12 THE INCIDENT, OF THE VERY FEW PHONE CALL TRANSCRIPTS
13 THAT WERE IN THE DEFENSE FILE THE DEFENDANT
14 IN THE PHONE CALLS IS VERY CONFUSED ABOUT WHAT
15 ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE. ON TWO SEPARATE PHONE CALL
16 TRANSCRIPTS THE DEFENDANT KIND OF REPLIES THAT HE
17 THOUGHT THEY WERE PLAYING BUT THAT MAYBE HE WAS
18 THE ONLY ONE PLAYING. ON ANOTHER PHONE CALL HE
19 TRIED TO INSIST THAT THE WHOLE INCIDENT TOOK
20 PLACE INSIDE THE HOUSE, WHICH WOULD CORRELATE
21 WITH THE DEFENDANTS RECALL OF THE EVENT.
22 THE DEFENDANT HAS ABSOLUTELY NO MEMORY
23 OF CONVERSING WITH POLICE OFFICERS OR BEING
24 IN A POLICE CAR OR ARRIVING AT A POLICE
25 STATION.

1 THE DEFENDANT STOPPED TAKING THE SEIZURE
2 MEDICATION BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT DID NOT
3 REMEMBER BEING DIAGNOSED WITH SEIZURES.
4 THE DEFENDANT WAS REPRESENTED AT FIRST BY P.D.
5 DAN JENKINS, WHO WHILE REPRESENTING THE
6 DEFENDANT DID NOT INVESTIGATE THE MEDICAL/MENTAL
7 HEALTH RECORDS AVAILABLE AT C.C.D.C. IN SPITE OF
8 THE INSISTANCE OF THE DEFENDANT TO DO SO, UNTIL
9 AFTER HIS REPRESENTATION OF THE DEFENDANT. THE
10 DEFENDANT WAS THEN REPRESENTED BY ATT. JOHN PARRIS,
11 WHO TOLD THE DEFENDANT THAT HE WOULD INVESTIGATE
12 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL/MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS AT
13 C.C.D.C. BUT NEVER DID. THE DEFENDANT TRIED TO GET
14 BOTH ATTORNEY'S TO INVESTIGATE HIS MEDICAL/MENTAL
15 HEALTH RECORDS AT C.C.D.C. BUT TO NO AVAIL. THE
16 DEFENDANT TRIED TO BRING UP HIS MEDICAL/MENTAL
17 CONDITION DURING HIS TESTIMONY ON THE WITNESS
18 STAND, BUT THE STATE OBJECTED BASED ON LACK OF
19 PRIOR KNOWLEDGE AND THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT
20 ALLOWED TO CONTINUE WITH THIS TESTIMONY BECAUSE
21 OF LACK OF MEDICAL EVIDENCE SUPPLIED TO THE DISTRICT
22 ATTORNEY. THE DEFENDANT WAS ESSENTIALLY FORCED TO
23 REPRESENT HIMSELF MIDWAY THRU THE JURY TRIAL.
24 THE DEFENDANT WAS TRYING DESPERATELY TO
25 OBTAIN MEDICAL EVIDENCE BEFORE THE TRIAL.

1 AND AFTER THE TRIAL. BEING INCARCERATED
2 ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS SEVERLY LIMITED.
3 MEDICAL/MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS ARE NOT ALLOWED
4 TO BE OBTAINED FROM C.C.D.C. WHILE BEING
5 INCARCERATED THERE. EVEN WITH SELF REPRESENTATION
6 AN INMATE CAN NOT OBTAIN HIS OWN MEDICAL RECORDS.
7 THE NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE WAS NOT AVAILABLE
8 BEFORE OR DURING THE TRIAL. THE REPORTS WERE FOUND
9 AT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE AND NORMAN DUPLISSIE'S HOUSE.
10 WHO INSISTED THAT THEY DID NOT HAVE ANY MEDICAL
11 RECORDS OF THE DEFENDANTS AT THEIR HOUSE.
12 THE MEDICAL REPORTS WERE ~~DISCOVERED~~ DISCOVERED
13 IN THE BEGINNING OF MARCH 2014. THE DISTRICT
14 ATTORNEY IN THE STATE'S REPLY COMMENTS: 'THERE IS
15 NO NEW MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION OF ANY MEDICAL OR
16 MENTAL ISSUES. EVEN IF THERE IS MEDICAL EVIDENCE,
17 IT WOULD NOT HAVE ALTERED THE OUTCOME OF THE TRIAL.'
18 THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
19 IS A PHYSICIAN CAPABLE OF DIAGNOSING MEDICAL
20 CONDITIONS OR MENTAL DISORDERS, ESPECIALLY
21 WITHOUT SEEING THE MEDICAL EVIDENCE OR
22 DOCUMENTS.
23 IN LIGHT OF THE NEWLY DISCOVERED MEDICAL
24 EVIDENCE, THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD GRANT
25 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL.

1 INGEL ex REL. ESTATE OF INGIE V VELTON

2 439 F. 3d 191, 197 (4th Cir 2006) (Rule 59(e))

3 MOTIONS WILL BE GRANTED IN THREE

4 CIRCUMSTANCES: (1) TO ACCOMMODATE AN

5 INTERVENING CHANGE IN CONTROLLING LAW;

6 (2) TO ACCOUNT FOR NEW EVIDENCE NOT

7 AVAILABLE AT TRIAL;

8 (3) TO CORRECT A CLEAR ERROR OF LAW OR

9 PREVENT MANIFEST INJUSTICE.)

10 NRS 176.515 COURT MAY GRANT A

11 NEW TRIAL OR MOTION TO VACATE

12 JUDGEMENT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES:

13 1. THE COURT MAY GRANT A NEW TRIAL

14 TO A DEFENDANT IF REQUIRED AS A

15 MATTER OF LAW OR ON THE GROUND OF

16 NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE.

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III. PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT

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2 TAMPERING WITH WITNESS BY PROSECUTOR.
3 THE D.A. MARIA E. LAVELL READ TRANSCRIPTS
4 OF PHONE CALLS TO NORMAN DUPLISSIE, A
5 WITNESS FOR THE STATE, WITH THE DESIRED INTENT
6 TO INFLUENCE TESTIMONY. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
7 USING EVIDENCE THAT WAS NOT PRODUCED AT
8 TRIAL OR EVIDENCE THAT WAS DETERMINED NOT
9 ADMISSABLE EVIDENCE, IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT
10 BY NORMAN DUPLISSIE, HE WRITES IN PART: 'MARIA
11 BROUGHT UP THE FACT, SOMEWHERE DURING OUR
12 MEETINGS THAT ALL OF YOUR TELEPHONE
13 CONVERSATIONS WERE BEING MONITORED AND THAT
14 SHE HAD COMPLETE TRANSCRIPTS OF THESE. I
15 BELIEVE THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE IN THE
16 FIRST PRETRIAL PREPERATION MEETING (OR
17 CONVERSATION) WHICH TRANSPIRED MORE THAN A
18 YEAR AGO WHEN I TALKED TO HER PRIVATELY.
19 ACCORDING TO HER, YOU AND YOUR BROTHER BOBBY
20 HAD A CONVERSATION EARLY ON IN THE PROCESS
21 WHEREBY YOU SAID TO HIM THAT YOU SHOULD
22 HAVE KILLED LITTLE MICHAEL WHILE YOU HAD
23 THE CHANCE.

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1 SHE MENTIONED THAT THIS COULD BE GROUNDS
2 TO PURSUE AN ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE
3 BUT THAT SHE WAS NOT GOING TO FOLLOW THIS
4 COURSE OF ACTION NOR WAS SHE PLANNING TO
5 USE THIS INFORMATION IN COURT. MARIA WAS
6 ALSO SHOCKED TO HEAR HOW YOU TALKED TO YOUR
7 MOTHER OVER THE PHONE. THIS WAS IN A LATER
8 PHONE CONVERSATION. PUT THESE TOGETHER AND
9 MARIA FEELS THAT YOU ARE A DANGER TO THE
10 FAMILY. THESE WERE HER WORDS. I BELIEVE HER
11 ACTIONS AND COMMENTS WERE MADE TO PAINT A
12 VERY DARK PICTURE OF YOU? NORMAN BRINGS
13 UP JAN. 25, 2014 AND STATES THAT MARIA AGAIN
14 BROUGHT UP THE PHONE, BUT HE DOES NOT GO INTO
15 DETAIL. HE ALSO STATES THAT HIS TESTIMONY
16 WAS CONSISTENT TO THAT WHICH HE TESTIFIED
17 IN FRONT OF JUDGE SULLIVAN IN THE PRELIMINARY
18 HEARING AND THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE MARIA
19 INFLUENCED HIS TESTIMONY, BUT ADDS 'THAT
20 THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT HER
21 INTENTIONS WERE NOT TO DO OTHERWISE. THE
22 DEFENDANTS CONTENTION WOULD BE THAT THE
23 TRANSCRIPTS WERE READ BEFORE THAT TRIAL SO THE
24 WITNESS WAS TAMPORED WITH BEFORE THE PRELIM
25 HEARING SO TO CONTAMINATE THAT TESTIMONY AS WELL.

1 PEOPLE V MARTINEZ, 47 CAL. 4TH 911, 105
2 CAL. RPT. 3d 131, 224 P. 3d 877 (2010).
3 UNDER STATE LAW, PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT
4 IS REVERSIBLE ERROR WHERE THE PROSECUTOR
5 USES "DECEPTIVE OR REPREHENSIBLE METHODS
6 TO PERSUADE EITHER THE COURT OR THE JURY"
7 AND IT IS REASONABLY PROBABLE THAT A RESULT
8 MORE FAVORABLE TO THE DEFENDANT WOULD
9 HAVE BEEN REACHED WITHOUT THE MISCONDUCT.
10 STATE V. GARNER 234 OR. APP. 486, 228 P. 3d 710 (2010)
11 (UNDER THE OREGON CONSTITUTION, RETRIAL FOLLOWING
12 MISTRIAL DUE TO PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS BARRED
13 WHEN (1) THE MISCONDUCT IS SO PREJUDICIAL THAT IT
14 CANNOT BE CURED BY MEANS SHORT OF MISTRIAL
15 (2) THE PROSECUTOR KNEW THAT THE CONDUCT WAS
16 IMPROPER AND PREJUDICIAL (3) THE PROSECUTOR
17 EITHER INTENDED OR WAS INDIFFERENT TO THE
18 RESULTING MISTRIAL.)
19 AGURS, 427 U.S. AT 103, 96 S. CT. 2397
20 THE COURT NOTES THAT A CONVICTION OBTAINED
21 BY THE KNOWING USE OF TAINTED TESTIMONY IS
22 FUNDAMENTALLY UNFAIR, AND MUST BE SET ASIDE,
23 AND NEW TRIAL GRANTED IF THERE IS ANY LIKELIHOOD
24 THAT THE TAINTED TESTIMONY COULD HAVE AFFECTED
25 THE JUDGEMENT OF THE JURY.

IV INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL

'INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL.'

IN THE DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL,
POINTS AND AUTHORITIES I PROCEDURAL
BACKGROUND^{#4} IS IMPROPERLY WRITTEN, IT SHOULD
READ: 'PRIOR COUNSEL WAS INEFFECTIVE WHEN IN
FORCING THE DEFENDANT TO EITHER GIVE UP HIS
RIGHT TO TESTIFY ON HIS OWN BEHALF OR TO GIVE UP
HIS RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE COUNSEL.' WHEN THE
DEFENDANT INSISTED THAT HE WANTED TO TAKE THE
STAND, ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS, TOLD THE
DEFENDANT "IF YOU TAKE THE STAND, I WILL
ASK YOU TWO YES OR NO QUESTIONS, THEN TURN
YOU OVER TO THE D.A. AND LET HER TEAR YOU
APART." BY STATING THAT HE WILL LET HER TEAR
ME APART, HE WOULD NOT BE GIVING ME EFFECTIVE
COUNSEL IF I TOOK THE STAND, ESSENTIALLY
FORCING ME TO EITHER GIVE UP MY RIGHT TO TAKE
THE STAND AND TESTIFY ON MY OWN BEHALF OR
TO GIVE UP MY RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE COUNSEL ACTING IN
THE ROLE AS AN ADVOCATE. HE DID NOT IMPLY THAT HE WOULD
BE ASKING ONLY TWO YES OR NO QUESTIONS AS A WAY OF
PROVIDING SOUND DEFENSE STRATEGY, BUT INSTEAD AS A
WEAPON TO PREVENT ME FROM TAKING THE STAND
WHICH WAS TAKING AWAY MY RIGHT TO CHOOSE TO TAKE STAND

1 THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE RIGHT AFTER THE

2 DEFENDANT, FIRST READ THE JURY INSTRUCTIONS. FROM THE

3 ONSET THE DEFENDANT WANTED TO TAKE THE STAND, THE

4 DEFENDANT DID NOT TAKE THE STAND AT THE PRELIMINARY

5 HEARING, ALLOWING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER TO INFLUENCE

6 THE DEFENDANT TO NOT TAKE THE STAND, THE DEFENDANT DID

7 NOT WANT TO MAKE THAT MISTAKE AGAIN. I LET JOHN PARRIS

8 KNOW THIS, BUT HE CONTINUALLY TRIED TO GET ME TO NOT TAKE THE

9 STAND. HE ACTUALLY NEVER EVEN ASKED ME MY VERSION OF

10 WHAT TOOK PLACE AND HE NEVER PREPARED FOR ME TO TAKE

11 THE STAND. I WANTED TO TAKE THE STAND TO STATE MY INTENT

12 BELIEVING THAT I WAS THE ONLY PERSON WHO COULD SAY

13 WHAT MY INTENT WAS. JOHN PARRIS TOLD ME THAT

14 INTENT WAS NOT A PART OF THE CRIMES I WAS

15 CHARGED WITH, WHEN THE DEFENDANT READ THE JURY

16 INSTRUCTIONS, WHICH MADE IT CLEAR THAT INTENT WAS

17 AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIMES I WAS CHARGED WITH,

18 I LET JOHN PARRIS KNOW THAT HE COULD NOT TALK

19 ME OUT OF TAKING THE STAND. THAT I WANTED TO TAKE

20 THE STAND TO CLARIFY TO THE JURY WHAT MY INTENT

21 WAS. AT THAT POINT HE MADE THE STATEMENT "IF

22 YOU TAKE THE STAND I WILL ASK YOU TWO YES OR

23 NO QUESTIONS THEN TURN YOU OVER TO THE D.A. AND

24 LET HER TEAR YOU APART."

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1 THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD GRANT
2 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL ON THIS ACT
3 ALONE, THE DEFENDANT ASSERTS THAT HE
4 WAS FORCED TO EITHER GIVE UP HIS RIGHT TO
5 TESTIFY ON HIS OWN BEHALF OR TO GIVE UP HIS
6 RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL.
7 DUE TO WHOLLY INADEQUATE ACTIONS OF HIS
8 RETAINED ATTORNEY, FURTHER, COUNSEL'S ACTIONS
9 COMPORT TO NOTHING MORE THAN A VIOLATION
10 OF DEFENDANT'S DUE PROCESS RIGHTS. DEFENDANT
11 HAS AN UNQUALIFIED RIGHT TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE,
12 THAT EXPRESSES LOYALTY TO SAID DEFENDANT.
13 THEREFORE, DEFENDANT CONTENTS THAT ALTHOUGH
14 THE DEFENDANT HAD COUNSEL, THE ACTIONS OF
15 COUNSEL HAVE CREATED UNFAIR PREJUDICE
16 AND OBSTACLES WHICH DO NOT COMPORT
17 THE FAIR PROCEDURES OWED TO THE DEFENDANT.

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1 CUYLER V. SULLIVAN 100 S. CT. 17-8 (1980)
2 FRAZIER V. U.S. 18 F. 3d 778 (9TH CIR 1994)
3 "THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL IS THE RIGHT ALSO TO
4 EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL."
5 ANDERS V. CALIFORNIA 87 S. CT. 1396 & 1480 (1967)
6 THUS, THE ADVERSIAL PROCESS PROTECTED BY
7 THE SIXTH AMENDMENT REQUIRES THAT THE
8 ACCUSED HAVE "COUNSEL ACTING IN THE ROLE
9 OF AN ADVOCATE".
10 GALLEGO V. U.S., 174 F. 3d 1196, 1197 (11TH CIR 1999)
11 A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT HAS A FUNDAMENTAL
12 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO TESTIFY IN HIS OR HER
13 OWN BEHALF AT TRIAL. THIS RIGHT IS PERSONAL TO
14 THE DEFENDANT AND CANNOT BE WAIVED EITHER BY
15 THE TRIAL COURT OR BY DEFENSE COUNSEL, WHERE
16 COUNSEL HAS REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE DEFENDANT'S
17 DECISION TO TESTIFY AND REFUSED TO CALL HIM
18 TO THE STAND, OR WHERE DEFENSE COUNSEL
19 NEVER INFORMED THE DEFENDANT OF HIS RIGHT
20 TO TESTIFY AND THAT THE FINAL DECISION BELONGS
21 TO THE DEFENDANT ALONE, DEFENSE COUNSEL
22 HAS NOT ACTED WITHIN THE RANGE OF
23 COMPETENCE DEMANDED OF ATTORNEYS IN
24 CRIMINAL CASES, AND THE DEFENDANT HAS
25 NOT RECEIVED REASONABLY EFFECTIVE
26 ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL.

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1 'INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL' ALSO
2 INCLUDES TWO SEPERATE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.
3 INDEPENDENTLY EACH WOULD BE SUFFICIENT GROUNDS
4 FOR A NEW TRIAL. BOTH CONFLICTS OF INTEREST EXISTED
5 PRIOR TO REPRESENTATION AND BOTH CONFLICTS REQUIRED
6 ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS TO EITHER DECLINE REPRESENTATION OR
7 DEFENDANT GIVE INFORMED CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN
8 WRITING. THE FIRST CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS THAT
9 NORMAN DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN OF MICHAEL, AND A
10 WITNESS FOR THE STATE, WAS THE SOURCE FROM WHICH THE
11 ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS WAS PAID. ALTHOUGH THE DEFENDANT
12 WAS AWARE THAT NORMAN DUPLISSIE PAID JOHN PARRIS TO
13 REPRESENT THE DEFENDANT, THERE WAS NEVER A CONVERSATION
14 BETWEEN THE DEFENDANT ON THIS MATTER, LET ALONE ANY
15 INFORMATION GIVEN TO THE DEFENDANT ABOUT SIGNIFICANT
16 RISKS THAT THIS WOULD ENTAIL. INCLUDING BUT NOT
17 LIMITED TO CROSS-EXAMINATION OF NORMAN DUPLISSIE AND
18 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF MICHAEL ~~ANNA~~. THE SECOND CONFLICT
19 OF INTEREST IS THAT JOHN PARRIS PREVIOUSLY REPRESENTED
20 FOR 'FREE' THE D.A. MARIA E. LAVELL, WHO IS ASSIGNED TO MY CASE
21 ALTHOUGH THE ATT. PARRIS WAS RETAINED IN LATE JULY 2013
22 WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE JURY TRIAL,
23 AND THE D.A. WAS MARIA LAVELL WHEN HE TOOK THE CASE, HE
24 DID NOT TELL THE DEFENDANT UNTIL 5 MINUTES
25 BEFORE SELECTING THE JURY.

1 COLES V. ARIZONA CHARLES 973 F. Supp. 971, 975

2 (D. NEV 1997)

3 HOLDING THAT ANY DOUBTS AS TO THE EXISTENCE

4 OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST SHOULD BE RESOLVED

5 IN DISQUALIFICATION.

6 U.S. V. SHWAYDER 312 F.3d 1109, 1117 (9TH CIR 2002)

7 (CONCLUDING THAT THE DEFENDANTS WAIVER OF

8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAS NOT VALID WHERE

9 HE WAS NOT ADEQUATELY INFORMED OF THE

10 SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CONFLICTS THAT MIGHT ARISE.

11 CLARK V. STATE 108 NEV 324, 326, 831 P.2d

12 1374, 1376 (1992)

13 (HOLDING THAT AN ACTUAL CONFLICT OF

14 INTEREST WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS A

15 LAWYERS PERFORMANCE WILL RESULT IN A

16 PRESUMPTION OF PREJUDICE TO THE

17 DEFENDANT)

18 RE PUCCINELLI, 67 NEV. 645, 224 P.2d 318 (1950)

19 AN ATTORNEY WHO REPRESENTED BOTH THE

20 PLAINTIFF AND THE DEFENDANT IN A DISTRICT

21 COURT ACTION WITHOUT PRIOR DISCLOSURE

22 OF HIS APPOINTMENT WAS PROPERLY

23 SUSPENDED FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW

24 FOR A PERIOD OF NINE MONTHS.

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1 RYAN V EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF NEVADA,
2 123 NEV. 419, 168 P. 3d 703 (2007)
3 A WAIVER OF CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION ENTAILS
4 THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN IMPORTANT RIGHTS AT TRIAL,
5 ON APPEAL, AND IN POST CONVICTION PROCEEDINGS,
6 INCLUDING WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO SEEK A MISTRIAL
7 BASED ON ANY CONFLICTS ARISING FROM THE DUAL
8 REPRESENTATION. CONSEQUENTLY, WE NOW
9 REQUIRE ATTORNEYS TO ADVISE CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS
10 OF THEIR RIGHT TO CONSULT WITH INDEPENDENT
11 COUNSEL TO ADVISE THEM ON THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT
12 OF INTEREST AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF WAIVING
13 THE RIGHT TO CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION.
14 THE ATTORNEY MUST ADVISE THE CLIENTS TO SEEK
15 THE ADVICE OF INDEPENDENT COUNSEL BEFORE
16 THE ATTORNEY ENGAGES IN THE DUAL REPRESENTATION.
17 IF THE CLIENTS CHOOSE NOT TO SEEK THE ADVICE OF
18 INDEPENDENT COUNSEL, THE CLIENTS MUST EXPRESSLY
19 WAIVE THE RIGHT TO DO SO, BEFORE AGREEING TO ANY WAIVER OF
20 CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION. IF THE ATTORNEY FAILS TO
21 ~~ADVISE~~ ADVISE CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS OF THEIR RIGHT TO SEEK
22 THE ADVICE OF INDEPENDENT COUNSEL, THE CLIENTS WAIVER OF
23 CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION ARE INEFFECTIVE UNLESS AND
24 UNTIL THE ATTORNEY ADVISES THE CLIENTS TO DO.

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1 RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT RULE 1.7

2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST: CURRENT CLIENTS

3 (a) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b), A LAWYER

4 SHALL NOT REPRESENT A CLIENT IF THE REPRESENTATION

5 INVOLVES A CONCURRENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST. A

6 CONCURRENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXISTS IF:

7 (i) THE REPRESENTATION OF ONE CLIENT WILL BE DIRECTLY

8 ADVERSE TO ANOTHER CLIENT;

9 (2) THERE IS SIGNIFICANT RISK THAT THE REPRESENTATION

10 OF ONE OR MORE CLIENTS WILL BE MATERIALLY LIMITED

11 BY THE LAWYER'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO ANOTHER CLIENT,

12 A FORMER CLIENT OR A THIRD PERSON OR BY A

13 PERSONAL INTEREST OF THE LAWYER.

14 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE EXISTENCE OF A CONCURRENT

15 CONFLICT OF INTEREST UNDER PARAGRAPH (a) A

16 LAWYER MAY REPRESENT A CLIENT IF: (1) THE LAWYER

17 REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE LAWYER WILL BE ABLE TO

18 PROVIDE COMPETENT AND DILIGENT REPRESENTATION TO EACH AFFECTED

19 CLIENT (2) THE REPRESENTATION IS NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW; (3) THE

20 REPRESENTATION DOES NOT INVOLVE THE ASSERTION OF A CLAIM

21 BY ONE CLIENT AGAINST ANOTHER CLIENT REPRESENTED BY

22 THE LAWYER IN THE SAME LITIGATION OR OTHER PROCEEDING

23 BEFORE A TRIBUNAL; AND (4) EACH

24 AFFECTED CLIENT GIVES INFORMED

25 CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

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1 LOYALTY AND INDEPENDANT JUDGEMENT ARE
2 ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS IN THE LAWYERS RELATIONSHIP
3 TO A CLIENT. A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MAY EXIST BEFORE
4 REPRESENTATION IS UNDERTAKEN, IN WHICH EVENT THE
5 REPRESENTATION MUST BE DECLINED, UNLESS THE LAWYER
6 OBTAINS THE INFORMED CONSENT OF EACH CLIENT UNDER
7 THE CONDITIONS OF PARAGRAPH (b) - INFORMED CONSENT,
8 CONFIRMED IN WRITING, - IGNORANCE CAUSED BY A
9 FAILURE TO INSTITUTE SUCH PROCEDURES WILL NOT
10 EXCUSE A LAWYER'S VIOLATION OF THIS RULE.

11 LOYALTY TO A CURRENT CLIENT PROHIBITS
12 UNDERTAKING REPRESENTATION DIRECTLY ADVERSE
13 TO THAT CLIENT WITHOUT THE CLIENT'S INFORMED
14 CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN WRITING. THUS, ABSENT
15 CONSENT, A LAWYER MAY NOT ACT AS AN ADVOCATE
16 IN ONE MATTER AGAINST A PERSON THE LAWYER
17 REPRESENTS IN SOME OTHER MATTER, EVEN WHEN
18 THE MATTERS ARE WHOLLY UNRELATED. THE CLIENT
19 AS TO WHOM THE REPRESENTATION IS DIRECTLY
20 ADVERSE IS LIKELY TO FEEL BETRAYED, AND THE
21 RESULTING DAMAGE TO THE CLIENT - LAWYER
22 RELATIONSHIP IS LIKELY TO IMPAIR THE LAWYER'S
23 ABILITY TO REPRESENT THE CLIENT
24 EFFECTIVELY.

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1 IN ADDITION, THE CLIENT ON WHOSE BEHALF THE
2 ADVERSE REPRESENTATION IS UNDERTAKEN REASONABLY
3 MAY FEAR THAT THE LAWYER WILL PURSUE THAT CLIENT'S
4 CASE LESS EFFECTIVELY, OUT OF DEFERENCE TO THE
5 OTHER CLIENT, I.E., THAT THE REPRESENTATION MAY BE
6 MATERIALLY LIMITED BY THE LAWYER'S INTEREST
7 IN RETAINING THE CURRENT CLIENT. IN ADDITION
8 TO CONFLICTS WITH OTHER CURRENT CLIENTS,
9 A LAWYER'S DUTIES OF LOYALTY AND INDEPENDENCE
10 MAY BE MATERIALLY LIMITED BY RESPONSIBILITIES
11 TO FORMER CLIENTS. THE LAWYER'S OWN INTERESTS
12 SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO HAVE AN ADVERSE
13 EFFECT ON REPRESENTATION OF A CLIENT.

14 A LAWYER MAY BE PAID FROM A SOURCE OTHER
15 THAN THE CLIENT, INCLUDING A CO-CLIENT, IF
16 THE CLIENT IS INFORMED OF THAT FACT AND THE
17 ARRANGEMENT DOES NOT COMPROMISE THE LAWYER'S
18 NOTY OF LOYALTY OR INDEPENDANT JUDGEMENT TO
19 THE CLIENT. IF ACCEPTANCE OF THE PAYMENT
20 FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE PRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT
21 RISK THAT THE LAWYER'S REPRESENTATION OF THE CLIENT
22 WILL BE MATERIALLY LIMITED BY THE LAWYER'S
23 OWN INTEREST IN ACCOMODATING THE PERSON PAYING
24 THE LAWYER'S FEES OR BY THE LAWYER'S
25 RESPONSIBILITY TO A PAYER WHO IS ALSO A

1 CO-CLIENT, THEN THEN LAWYER MUST COMPLY
2 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (b), before
3 ACCEPTING THE REPRESENTING, INCLUDING
4 DETERMINING WHETHER THE CONFLICT IS CONSENTABLE,
5 AND, IF SO, THAT THE CLIENT HAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION
6 ABOUT THE MATERIAL RISKS OF THE REPRESENTATION.
7 INFORMED CONSENT REQUIRES THAT EACH AFFECTED
8 CLIENT BE AWARE OF THE RELEVANT CIRCUMSTANCES AND
9 OF THE MATERIAL AND REASONABLY FORSEEABLE WAYS
10 THAT THE CONFLICT COULD HAVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON
11 THE INTERESTS OF THAT CLIENT PARAGRAPH (b) RULE 1.7
12 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT, REQUIRES THE
13 LAWYER TO OBTAIN THE INFORMED CONSENT OF THE CLIENT,
14 CONFIRMED IN WRITING, THE REQUIREMENTS OF A WRITING
15 DOES NOT SUPPLANT THE NEED IN MOST CASES FOR THE LAWYER
16 TO TALK WITH THE CLIENT, TO EXPLAIN THE RISKS AND ADVANTAGES,
17 IF ANY, OF REPRESENTATION BURDENED WITH A CONFLICT OF
18 INTEREST, AS WELL AS REASONABLY AVAILABLE ALTERNATIVES,
19 AND TO AFFORD THE CLIENT A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 CONSIDER THE RISKS AND ALTERNATIVES AND TO RAISE QUESTIONS
21 AND CONCERNS. RATHER THE WRITING IS REQUIRED IN ORDER
22 TO IMPRESS UPON THE CLIENTS THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE
23 DECISION THE CLIENT IS BEING ASKED TO MAKE AND TO AVOID
24 DISPUTES OR AMBIGUITIES THAT MIGHT LATER
25 OCCUR IN THE ABSENCE OF A WRITING.

1 FURTHERMORE "INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL",
2 THE DEFENDANT RECEIVED REPRESENTATION OF A DEFICIENT
3 PERFORMANCE THAT FALLS BELOW AN OBJECTIVE STANDARD OF
4 REASONABLENESS. SOME OF HIS ACTIONS BE INDIVIDUALLY
5 CONSIDERED SUFFICIENT TO CONCLUDE HIS COUNSEL WAS
6 INEFFECTIVE, OTHER ACTIONS OR LACK THERE OF WOULD BE A
7 CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF MULTIPLE ERRORS WHICH VIOLATES A
8 DEFENDANTS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL. THE ATTORNEY
9 JOHN PARRIS DID NOT CONDUCT ADEQUATE PRE-TRIAL INVESTIGATION
10 TO PREPARE A DEFENSE, HE DID NOT LOOK INTO MEDICAL
11 EVIDENCE OR INTERVIEW POTENTIAL WITNESSES, HE DID
12 NOT CROSS EXAMINE WITNESSES, AND HIS CROSS EXAMINATION
13 OF OTHERS WAS VERY LACKING, BASICALLY REPEATING THE
14 QUESTIONS OVER THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY ASKED ALREADY.
15 HIS OPENING STATEMENT WAS TO COMPLIMENT THE STATE
16 ON GIVING A GOOD OPENING STATEMENT AND A DESCRIPTION
17 OF WHAT AN OPENING STATEMENT SHOULD CONTAIN,
18 ~~THE STATEMENT~~ WHICH BY HIS OWN DEFINITION OF A
19 GOOD OPENING STATEMENT HIS WOULD NOT HAVE PASSED AS
20 A GOOD OPENING STATEMENT. FOLLOWED BY AN INSTRUCTION
21 TO THE JURY TO WAIT TO HEAR ALL THE EVIDENCE BEFORE
22 COMING TO A CONCLUSION. YET HIS INTENTION WAS
23 TO NOT PRESENT A DEFENSE. HE DID NOT PREPARE
24 JURY INSTRUCTIONS AND HE DID NOT REQUEST FOR THE
25 JURY TO HAVE THE OPTION OF A LESSER INCLUDED
26 OFFENSE.

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1 BURGEON V STATE, 102 NEV. 43, 714 P. 2d 576 (1986)

2 REJECTS THE STATES CLAIM THAT COUNSELS
3 FAILURE TO PRESENT A DEFENSE WAS SOUND STRATEGY.
4 THERE WAS SUFFICIENT ~~///~~ EVIDENCE TO PRESENT
5 A DEFENSE.

6 WARNER V STATE, 102 NEV. 635, 729 P. 2d 1359 (1986)

7 FAILURE TO CONTACT WITNESSES, INEFFECTIVE
8 ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL WITNESSES NEVER
9 CONTACTED. THE COURT REVERSED AND CONCLUDED
10 THAT TRIAL COUNSEL'S FAILURE TO INVESTIGATE
11 AND LACK OF PREPERATION FOR TRIAL LEFT THE
12 INMATE WITHOUT A DEFENSE AT TRIAL. THE
13 COURT REVERSED THE JUDGEMENT OF CONVICTION
14 AND REMANDED THE CASE FOR A NEW TRIAL.

15 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT RULE 1

16 COMPETENCE: A LAWYER SHALL PROVIDE
17 COMPETENT REPRESENTATION TO A CLIENT.
18 COMPETENT REPRESENTATION REQUIRES THE
19 LEGAL KNOWLEDGE, SKILL, THOROUGHNESS, AND
20 PREPERATION REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR THE
21 REPRESENTATION

22 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT RULE 3

23 DILLIGENCE: LAWYER SHALL ACT WITH REASONABLE
24 DILLIGENCE AND PROMPTNESS IN REPRESENTING
25 A CLIENT.

1 SANBORN V. STATE 107 NEV. 399; 812 p.2d 1279; 1991 NEV. LEX 107

2 SANBORNS OWN TESTIMONY WAS STRONGLY
3 DEVALUED BY THE ABSENCE OF CORROBORATIVE
4 EVIDENCE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN PRESENTED BY
5 DILLIGENT AND EFFECTIVE COUNSEL. SANBORN INSISTS
6 THAT BEFORE TRIAL, HE HAD PROVIDED HIS ATTORNEY WITH
7 A LIST OF POTENTIAL WITNESSES WHO WERE PREPARED
8 TO TESTIFY. WE REJECT THE STATE'S CLAIM THAT
9 COUNSELS FAILURE TO PRESENT A DEFENSE WAS
10 A SOUND STRATEGY. SANBORN PRIMARILY
11 EMPHASIZES HIS COUNSELS FAILURE TO CONDUCT
12 ADEQUATE PRE-TRIAL INVESTIGATION AND TO
13 PRESENT TRIAL EVIDENCE. SANBORNS DEFENSE
14 WAS CLEARLY PREJUDICED BY HIS COUNSELS
15 FAILURE TO DEVELOP AND PRESENT EVIDENCE
16 THAT WOULD HAVE CORROBORATED SANBORNS
17 TESTIMONY BECAUSE OF COUNSELS LACK OF
18 DUE DILIGENCE SANBORN WAS DEPRIVED
19 OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TESTIMONY
20 MATERIAL TO HIS DEFENSE.

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1 THE DEFENDANT FIRST MET ATTORNEY
2 JOHN PARRIS ON AUGUST 5TH 2013. AT THE
3 END OF THE ATTORNEY VISIT, THE ATTORNEY PARRIS TOLD
4 THE DEFENDANT HE WOULD SEE HIM AGAIN IN A COUPLE
5 OF WEEKS. OUTSIDE SEEING THE ATTORNEY IN THE COURT
6 ROOM, THE DEFENDANT DID NOT SEE THE ATTORNEY
7 AGAIN UNTIL 6 MONTHS LATER, LESS THAN A WEEK
8 BEFORE JURY SELECTION AND TRIAL WAS TO BEGIN.
9 AT THE INITIAL CONSULTATION THE ATTORNEY PARRIS WAS INFORMED
10 BY THE DEFENDANT, THAT THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT HAPPY
11 WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY P.D. DAN DENKINS BECAUSE
12 THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD NOT OR DID NOT LOOK INTO
13 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL CONDITION, ALSO BECAUSE THE
14 PUBLIC DEFENDER SEEMED TO HAVE NOT ENOUGH TIME TO
15 DEDICATE TO THE DEFENDANT CASE TO PROPERLY DEFEND HIM.
16 THE DEFENDANT BRIEFLY EXPLAINED HIS MEDICAL
17 CONDITION AND THE EVENTS OF THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT
18 AND THE PEOPLE WHO COULD VERIFY THIS TO THE ATTORNEY.
19 THE ATTORNEY EXPLAINED TO THE DEFENDANT THAT THE
20 ATTORNEY WOULD LOOK INTO THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND
21 GET BACK WITH THE DEFENDANT ABOUT WHAT THE BEST
22 DEFENSE STRATEGY IS OR THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE AND ALSO
23 DETERMINE IF WE NEEDED TO SEEK EXPERT ANALYSIS.
24 ~~THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT HAPPY WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY P.D. DAN DENKINS BECAUSE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD NOT OR DID NOT LOOK INTO THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL CONDITION, ALSO BECAUSE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SEEMED TO HAVE NOT ENOUGH TIME TO DEDICATE TO THE DEFENDANT CASE TO PROPERLY DEFEND HIM.~~
25 ~~THE DEFENDANT BRIEFLY EXPLAINED HIS MEDICAL CONDITION AND THE EVENTS OF THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT AND THE PEOPLE WHO COULD VERIFY THIS TO THE ATTORNEY.~~

1 THIS SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED AS HINDSIGHT
2 BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT WAS IN COMPLETE
3 DISAGREEMENT WITH THE ATTORNEY AS THE EVENTS
4 WERE TAKING PLACE, WHICH INCLUDES DURING
5 THE JURY SELECTION PROCESS, THE OPENING STATEMENT,
6 HIS CROSS EXAMINATION OF NORMAN DUPLISSIE, PATRICIA
7 DUPLISSIE, HIS ASSOCIATES CROSS EXAMINATION OF MICHAEL,
8 HIS LACK OF PREPAREDNESS TO CROSS EXAMINE THE
9 EXPERT WITNESS, WHICH HE CHOOSE NOT TO CROSS
10 EXAMINE, HIS DECISION TO NOT PRESENT OR
11 INTERVIEW ROBERT SCHOFIELD, HIS CHOICE NOT TO
12 LOOK INTO MEDICAL RECORDS, THE ATTORNEY NOT
13 TELLING THE DEFENDANT THAT HE WILL NOT BE
14 PRESENTING A DEFENSE, NOT BRINGING THE
15 DEFENSE CASE FILE WITH HIM TO THE TRIAL, THE
16 ATTORNEY NOT HAVING A CLOSING ARGUMENT
17 STATEMENT PREPARED, HIS ASSOCIATE WRITING
18 IT WHILE THE STATE PRESENTED THEIR ~~STATEMENT~~
19 CLOSING STATEMENT, THE ASSOCIATES UNWILLINGNESS
20 TO OPERATE THE TELEPROMPTER DURING CLOSING
21 ARGUMENT, DECEIVING THE CLIENT ABOUT TRIAL
22 STRATEGY PRIOR TO THE START OF TRIAL, AND
23 ESSENTIALLY LETTING THE DEFENDANT KNOW THAT THE
24 DEFENDANT HAS NO ROLE IN CHOOSING HOW DEFENDANT
25 WILL BE REPRESENTED.

1 THERE HAS BEEN THREE CIRCUMSTANCES IN MY CASE
2 IN WHICH ERRORS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE TRANSFERRING
3 OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE. THEY ARE (1) THE
4 STATE CLAIMS TO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A LETTER FROM
5 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, OR RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS LETTER
6 IN THE EXCHANGE OF DISCOVERY (2) THE ATTORNEY JOHN
7 PARRIS DELIVERED TO THE DEFENDANT THE DEFENSE
8 CASE FILE - NOT USING A DELIVERY SERVICE - THE DEFENDANT
9 RECEIVED THE DEFENSE CASE FILE ON MARCH 19, 2014
10 WITH NO POST DATE ATTACHED, THIS FILE IS MISSING
11 NUMEROUS ITEMS THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE
12 DEFENDANT TO HAVE. FOR INSTANCE THE 911 TRANSCRIPT,
13 THE PHONE TRANSCRIPTS THAT THE D.A. READ TO
14 NORMAN DUPLISSIE, EXHIBIT #16, ANY AND ALL POLICE
15 REPORTS OF THE DEFENDANTS PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS
16 WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, ANY WORK WHATSOEVER THAT
17 THE ATTORNEY DID TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEFENSE OF
18 THE DEFENDANT, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS WITH POTENTIAL
19 WITNESSES OR ACTUAL WITNESSES, HIS CONTRIBUTION TO
20 JURY INSTRUCTIONS, ETC. (3) COURT TRANSCRIPTS OF THE
21 JURY SELECTION AND JURY TRIAL NEVER RECEIVED BY
22 THE DEFENDANT. DUE TO THIS THE DEFENDANT DOES NOT
23 FEEL CONFIDENT THAT THE EXHIBITS WILL REACH THEIR
24 DESIRED DESTINATION. FOR THIS REASON THE DEFENDANT
25 WILL BRING THE EXHIBITS TO COURT WITH HIM ON
26 MAY 28, 2014.

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1 THE DEFENDANT HOPES AND PRAYS THAT
 2 THE HONORABLE JUDGE WILL CONSIDER
 3 THE CIRCUMSTANCES TO THIS CASE AND COME
 4 TO THE SAME CONCLUSION THAT THE
 5 DEFENDANT HAS, THAT A FAIR TRIAL
 6 WAS NOT PREVIOUSLY PRODUCED, AND
 7 FOR JUSTICE TO BE PROPERLY SERVED
 8 A NEW TRIAL SHOULD BE GRANTED TO
 9 THE DEFENDANT.
 10 I WITNES THIS 20TH DAY OF
 11 MAY, 2014.
 12 I, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, DO
 13 SOLEMNLY SWEAR, UNDER THE PENALTY OF
 14 PERJURY, THAT THE ABOVE
 15 REPLY MOTION IS ACCURATE,
 16 CORRECT, AND TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY
 17 KNOWLEDGE.
 18 MRS 171.102 AND MRS 208.165
 19 Respectfully Submitted
 20 ~~Michael J. Schofield~~
 21 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
 22 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON
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CLARK County CLERK of COURT
REGIONAL JUSTICE CENTER
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EXHIBIT 6

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MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

Ann D. Schum
DISTRICT CLERK OF THE COURT

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CLARK COUNTY
NEVADA

4 LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89101

5 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

6 CASE No. C-13-287009-1

7 STATE OF NEVADA DEPT No. 6

8 PLAINTIFF DOCKET No. -

9 VS

10 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

11 DEFENDANT DATED JUNE 5, 2014

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13 DEFENDANTS ADDENDUM II TO MOTION

14 FOR NEW TRIAL

15 COMES NOW DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

16 AND HEREBY SUBMITS THE ATTACHED EXHIBITS

17 TO SUPPORT THE DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL,

18 DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION, DEFENDANTS

19 ADDENDUM REPLY.

20 *Michael J. Schofield*

21 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

22 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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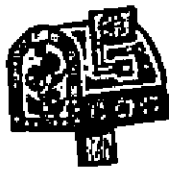
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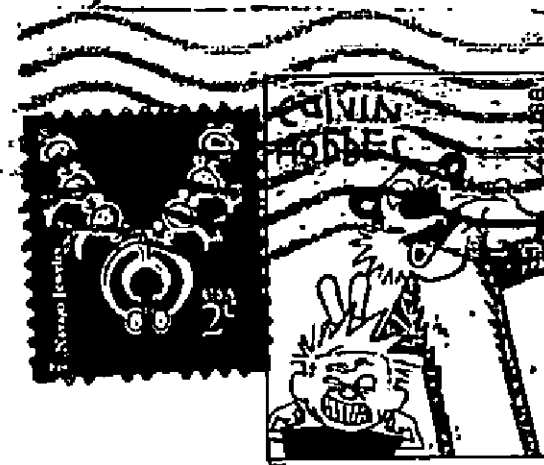
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Patricia Duplissie.
1111 Aspen Breeze Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89123

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COPY OF
LETTER TO
THE D.A.

Dan J.

Clark County Public Defender
309 South 3rd Street
2nd floor
Las Vegas, NV 89155

8910132231

Patricia Duplissie

EXHIBIT A

Patricia Duplissie
1111 Aspen Breeze Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89123
(702) 837-2576

Clark County Public Defender
309 South 3rd Street
2nd floor
Las Vegas, NV 89155

Attn: Dan Jenkins

Re: Michael John Schofield
Case #13F00320X/C287009

May 1st 2013

Dear Mr. Jenkins

I am writing this letter in order to share my feelings on the above mentioned case as well as to render clarification on a few points which I understand came before the court in the most recent session.

I certainly understand the severity of the crime committed and expect my son Michael John Schofield to be held responsible for his actions. The domestic battery and the child abuse charges were witnessed by family members and these are fully supported as being appropriate. However, we fail to understand the charge of burglary in the 1st degree and the charge of kidnapping in the 1st degree.

Since Michael was voluntarily allowed into our home on 1/6/2013 we see no reason for the burglary charge. He did not force his way in nor did he threaten anyone in the household in any manner upon entry. We believe this charge should be dropped.

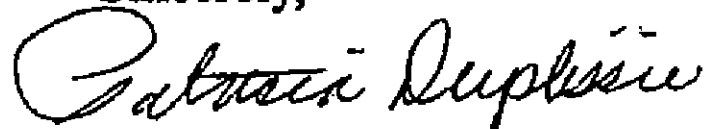
With regard to the kidnapping charge in the first degree I feel that this was more of a disciplinary action on the part of the father (Michael John) toward his son (Michael Joshua) rather than a kidnapping. It is true that the son did not wish to accompany his father to Wal-Mart and that the father was too violent in attempting to accomplish this. There was no weapon involved and the understanding I have is that if Michael Joshua did accompany his father that they would return in a short period of time. For these reasons I believe that kidnapping in the 1st degree should be dropped or at least reduced to a 2nd degree status.

It was alleged in court that Michael John had an assigned day each week where he was allowed to visit with Michael Joshua. This is not true. Since we assumed guardianship of Michael Joshua in 2001 we have tried our best to maintain a normal relationship between father and son insofar as possible. We felt that as long as the father was not impaired that he could see his son on a request basis.

In recent months before the incident on 1/6/2013, Michael John (father) had incurred several medical incidents which required hospitalization. On one incident he was diagnosed with having seizures which required medication. It is my understanding that this situation was supported by the medical staff at the Detention Center and in fact he has been housed in the Psychiatric Ward. You may wish to review this situation and determine if diminished mental capacity may be an issue in this case.

I believe we all wish to see justice done in this matter. Hopefully the above information may be helpful to you in accomplishing this goal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patricia Duplissie".

Patricia Duplissie



EXHIBIT B

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

CLARK COUNTY
District Attorney

DISCOVERY DIVISION
DA ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY

DISCOVERY INFORMATION

Request Date: _____ Clerk's Initials: -1-

Juvenile/efile pages @ \$.25 ea _____

of Pages hard copy @ \$.50 ea 44 Date: 11/15/12 Case #:

Duplication of Video/CD/Tapes/Disk @ \$25.00 ea 1 Printed Pictures @ \$1.00 ea _____

Defendant: Dept: XX Next Court Date: _____

Amount Due: 72.00 Bates Stamp: _____ to _____

- ☐ APPOINTED COUNSEL
- ☐ RETAINED COUNSEL
- ☐ PUBLIC DEFENDER/SPECIAL PUB DEF
- ☐ PRO PER

ATTORNEY INFORMATION

email address: _____

Bar #: _____ Name: LUCAS MARRAS Phone: _____

Signature: [Signature] Date: 12/5/12

PROMISE OF RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY

I am the attorney for the named Defendant. In executing this request for discovery, I acknowledge receipt of the discovery provided by the State and the State's Request for Discovery and promise to comply with all requirements of NRS 174.089 and 174.295.

Payment For Copies: Make all checks payable to: **CLARK COUNTY TREASURER.**

Remit To: District Attorney's Office, 200 Lewis Ave 3rd Floor, ATTN: Discovery, Las Vegas, NV 89155-2212. Upon signing, in consideration of the copying services provided, Attorney agrees to be liable for the above costs and for such other costs for copies provided in this case, notwithstanding any right of Attorney to collect such costs from Defendant or Third Parties. Attorneys who do not accept this liability must make arrangements to pre-pay or copy discovery at the Office of the District Attorney under supervision upon their own portable copiers.

DISCOVERY PROVIDED BY STATE

The State has provided written or recorded statements or confessions made by the Defendant, any written or recorded statements made by any witness, results of physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests or experiments in connection with the case which are within the possession or custody of the prosecuting attorney. Additional discovery will be furnished when available pursuant to NRS 174.295. It may be obtained at the 3rd floor reception area of the Office of the District Attorney. Prior to any trial, it is the responsibility of defense counsel to make an appointment with the Deputy District Attorney assigned to prosecute this case to verify that all available discovery materials have been provided. The parties agree that, pursuant to NRS 174.234 (1) and (2), the attached documents constitute service and filing of the Notice of Witnesses required by said statute. Please note that the address of any witness employed by the LVMPD is 400 S. Martin Luther King Blvd, LV, NV 89101. The address of the NHP is 4615 West Sunset Rd, LV, NV 89112

STATE'S REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY

Defendant agrees to accept this document as constituting a sufficient request for discovery under NRS 174.245 in compliance with NRS 174.285. Pursuant to NRS 174.245, the State hereby requests that the Defendant provide to the Office of the District Attorney to inspect and copy or photograph any: (a) written or recorded statement made by any witness within the possession, custody or control of the Defendant or Defendant's counsel, the existence of which is known, or by the exercise of due diligence may become known, to the Defendant or Defendant's counsel; and (b) results or reports of physical or mental examinations, and of scientific tests or experiments made in connection with the particular case, or copies thereof, within the possession, custody or control of the Defendant or Defendant's counsel, and (c) books, papers, documents, tangible objects, or copies of portion thereof, that Defendant intends to introduce into evidence as set forth in NRS 174.245. The Defendant agrees to provide such documents within 30 days of receiving the attached documents or 30 days prior to trial (whichever is sooner) and provides additional documents as they become available pursuant to NRS 174.295.

REV. 04/12

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EXHIBIT C

REGIONAL JUSTICE CENTER
200 LEWIS AVE

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
Inmate No. 1679195
330 S. Casino Center Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89101
Defendant in Proper Person

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JOHN PARRIS ESQ

324 S. 3RD ST. BLDG 1

(702) 382-0905

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF NEVADA

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD,

Defendant.

Case No. 13-287009-1

Dept No. 21

CASE NO C-13-287009-1

HD: August 13, 2013

Time: 9:30 AM

MOTION TO DISMISS COUNSEL AND
APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE COUNSEL

COMES NOW Defendant, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, in Proper Person, and respectfully moves this honorable court to appoint other counsel to represent this Defendant.

This Motion is based upon all the records and files in this action. Points and Authorities, Affidavit of the Defendant, and any argument adduced at the time of hearing of this Motion.

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
Defendant in Proper Person

NEVADA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE
RULE 4(A)(7) (AWOIDING 250\$ FILING FEE)

RULE 4(B)(1)(A) 30 DAYS TO FILE

AMENDED NOTICE
OF APPEAL

RULE 4(B)(5)(B) 20 DAYS TO FILE

FORM 1 IN THE APPENDIX OF FORMS IS
SUGGESTED FORM OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL
RULE 4(B)(3)


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NOTICE OF MOTION

TO: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, Defendant in Proper Person

YOU AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will bring this MOTION on for hearing before the District Court Dept. ~~XXI~~ on the 13 day of Aug. 2013, at 9:30 o'clock a.m./p.m. of said day.

DATED this 19 day of July, 2013.


MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
Defendant in Proper Person

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

It is respectfully requested of this court to grant this motion to dismiss counsel for the reasons listed below:

1. Defendant has not had reasonable contact with the appointed attorney.
2. Counsel spoke with defendant in jail only once, for 15 minutes, and did not appear at the first hearing. He send someone else to ask for a continuance,
3. He refused to allow Defendant to testify at the preliminary hearing.
4. He fails and refuses to return phone calls.
5. Defendant has a history of seizures - and even had a medical episode. Defendant requested his attorney address this issue, as it relates to his defense, and he failed to address Defendant's medical history at all. He did not contact relatives, or even name Defendant's mother as a witness, and she was present during the alleged incident that resulted in these charges.


POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

Since the Public Defender, Dan Jenkins, was appointed counsel on or about March, 2013, Defendant has been prejudiced and suffered manifest injustice based on counsel's refusal or failure to:

1. Communicate and/or visit with said Defendant at the Clark County Detention Center.

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2. Investigate, as to client's oral/written requests any defense that may help to mitigate or reduce his sentence.

3. Talk to Defendant at any length as to Defendant's feelings, and Defendant fears he will be forced to take a plea because the public defender is not prepared. He did not appear at the first hearing (arraignment); nor the second. He has only accomplished a continuance in this matter.

4. Thoroughly take investigative measures in this case, and subsequently not using all available resources to assist in obtaining a fair trial - at which Defendant believes the charges should be dismissed.

II. ARGUMENT

Defendant asserts he is being denied his right to effective representation due to wholly inadequate actions of his court appointed counsel. Further, counsel's innate action comport to nothing more than a violation of defendant's due process rights.

Counsel has not returned any of the Defendant's phone calls; Defendant has left numerous messages with voice mail, secretary and/or office clerks. Witnesses have not been interviewed.

Defendant has an unqualified right to legal assistance that expresses loyalty to said defendant. "The right to counsel is the right [also] to effective assistance fo counsel." Cuyler v. Sullivan 100 S.Ct. 17-8 (1980); and Frazier v. U.S. 18 F. 3d 778 (9th Cir. 1994)! Thus, the adversarial process protected by the sixth amendment requires that the accused have "counsel acting in the role of an advocate." Anders v. California, 87 S.Ct. 1396 & 1480 (1967).

A party whose counsel is unable to provide effective or adequate assistance is no better than one who has no counsel at all; and any appeal(s) would be futile in its gesture. Evitts v. Lucey 105 S.Ct. 830 (1985); Douglas v. California, 83 S.Ct 814 (1963).

Therefore, Defendant contends that although counsel has been appointed in this case, the actions of counse, or lack thereof, have created unfair prejudice and obstacles which do not comport the fair procedures owed to the defendant.

The plurality opinion in Evitts and Douglas, infra, made it very clear that:

"There is lacking that equality demanded by the fourteenth amendment, where the "rich man" enjoys the benefit of the law being righteously practiced; in that, counsels' examination step-by-step

1 (into the record of the case), and research of the law, and a marshaling of the facts, arguments in his
2 behalf is done as should befit an advocate of defense; while the indigent, so burdened by a
3 preliminary determination that his case is without merit, is forced to shift for himself," 105 S.Ct. At
4 842; 83 S.Ct at 816-17.

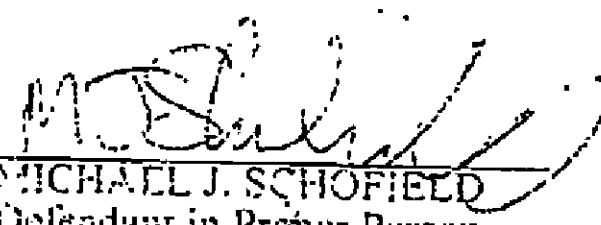
5 Notwithstanding the strong policy favoring autonomy, "ethical, professional and
6 constitutional principals" establish counsel's standards owed to his client. See: American Bar
7 Association (ABA), and Professional Responsibility Code (CPR).

8 So, clearly, a conflict of interest now exist between counsel/client (defendant), as all faith and
9 trust has been diminished as a result of counsel's actions or lack thereof, and a "showing" of conflict
10 of interest requires no showing of prejudice, Cuyler v. Sullivan, 100 S.Ct., at 1717.

11 The law addresses itself to actualities. Adjudication is not a mere mechanical process, nor
12 does it compel either (or determination) Griffin v. Illinois, 76 S.Ct. 585 592-594 (1956).

13 Therefore, fundamental fairness requires the abolition of prejudice which defendant is
14 presently suffering. This is an actuality that the law must address. Anything short of abdication
15 would further a manifest of injustice. The "effectiveness (in assistance) of counsel" is an
16 individual's most fundamental right, for without it, every other right Defendant has to asset become
17 affected.

18 Dated this 10 day of July, 2013.

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22 Defendant in Proper Person
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EXHIBIT E

DISCHARGE

Make a copy for patient

We want every patient who stays with us to be informed about their home medications. Please keep this list of medications for your records. If you still have any medication questions, please call our PharmAssist Hotline to schedule a private consultation with a St. Rose Dominican Hospitals Pharmacist at (702) 616-5596

	Name of Medication	Dose / Strength	Route	Frequency		Next dose due	Continue at Home?
1	TURIS	1 tab	oral	AS needed		7/4/12 12 noon	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
2	Multivitamin	1 tab	oral	AS needed		7/5/12	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
3	Keppra	500mg	oral	twice a day		7/4/12 pm	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
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In-patient medications should be added for a complete list of Discharge Medications. Indicate whether to continue or discontinue in-patient medications upon discharge.

This list of medications was created in consultation with your physician and/or derived from your physician's discharge orders.

DATE 7/4/12 TIME 1800

Please share this list with all your doctors.

Healthcare facilities: For medication questions, call St. Rose Dominican Hospitals Pharmacy at:
Siena (702) 616-5540 • Rose de Lima (702) 616-4540 • San Martín (702) 492-8540

St. Rose Dominican Hospitals

A member of CHW

MEDICATION RECONCILIATION



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PATIENT IDENTIFICATION

Pt#: 33014697 MR#: 689494
SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J
10/03/1965, M 46 07/02/12
ADR: AKBAR TANVEER Rm: MED
PDR: Bd: 0360P EOS

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EXHIBIT F

NOT PERMANENT PART OF PATIENT RECORD:

MRI Brain W&WO Contrast

SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J - 689494

* Final Report *

Result type: MRI Brain W&WO Contrast
Result Date: 03 July 2012 14:06
Result status: Auth (Verified)
Result Title: MR Brain wo+w Contrast
Source of Report: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
Verified By: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
Encounter info: 33014697, SRDHM, Observation, 07/03/12 -

* Final Report *

MR Brain wo+w Contrast

Patient Name: SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J
Patient Medical Record Number: 689494

Account Number: 13-MR-12-018189 Exam: MR Brain wo+w
Contrast
Exam Date and 7/3/2012 2:06:16 Ordering Akbar, Tanveer
Time: PM PDT Physician:

Report

EXAM: MRI of the Brain With and Without Contrast 07/03/12

COMPARISON: Head CT 07/02/12. MRI brain 08/10/09.

HISTORY: Possible seizure. Motor vehicle accident.

TECHNIQUE: Sagittal T1. Coronal and FLAIR. Axial T1, T2, FLAIR, diffusion, ADC and gradient. Post Gadolinium axial and coronal T1. 15 cc of ProHance was used.

FINDINGS: The study is somewhat limited secondary to motion

There is no midline shift or hydrocephalus. No evidence of an acute infarct. No obvious hemorrhage.

As noted on the prior MRI, there is a venous angioma within the right frontal lobe medially. This is adjacent to the right frontal horn. There is no extraaxial fluid collection.

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The mastoids are clear. The orbits are unremarkable.

There is evidence of some mucosal thickening of the ethmoid and sphenoid sinuses.

IMPRESSION: 1. Study limited by motion.

2. No acute infarct or hemorrhage.

3. As before, venous angioma of the right frontal lobe.

4. Mild paranasal sinus disease.

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Signed by: Chang, Scott

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EXHIBIT 6

NOT PERMANENT PART OF PATIENT RECORD:

Sleep Lab/EEG

SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J - 689494

Result type: Sleep Lab/EEG
Result Date: 03 July 2012 17:04
Result status: Auth (Verified)
Result Title: 09
Source of Report: Contributor_system, SRDHTRAN on 03 July 2012 17:04
Encounter info: 33014697, SRDHM, Observation, 07/03/12 -

Electroencephalogram

DATE OF PROCEDURE: 07/03/2012

DOB: 10/03/1965

REFERRING PHYSICIAN: A. Tanveer, MD

STUDY INDICATIONS: New-onset seizure.

A routine 21-channel digital EEG is performed in accordance with the 10-20 international system of electrode placement. Continuous eye movement and electrocardiographic channel monitors are included. Recording time was approximately 21.5 minutes during awake, drowsy and asleep states.

Waking background activity is fairly well-organized. There is a 9-10 Hz alpha rhythm with predominates over the posterior channels and is generally reactive and attenuates with eye opening. Background activity is frequently interrupted by eye blink and other eye movement artifacts, as well as other muscle potential artifacts.

Focal slow waves are infrequently noted over the posterior right frontal and anterior temporal head regions. Rarely, slow waves appears to phase - reverse over the F8 and/or T4 electrodes. No other clear epileptiform activity is noted.

Photic stimulation produced a symmetric driving response at lowest flash frequencies.

There is a normal transition from wakefulness to drowsiness. A prolonged interval of slow wave sleep is identified. No sleep abnormalities are noted.

Normal sinus rhythm predominates on the ECG channel.

IMPRESSION: Abnormal routine awake, drowsy, asleep, and stimulated tracing which identifies subtle features of right posterior frontal and/or anterior

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Sleep Lab/EEG

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temporal electrocortical
dysfunction. An interictal epileptiform focus is not conclusively
demonstrated, but cannot be entirely excluded. Correlation clinically and
with cranial imaging is advised.

Stephen P Raps, MD

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EXHIBIT F

To Michael John Schofield

May 2, 2014

Dear Michael,

Today you called and requested certain information concerning my dealings with the assistant States Attorney, Maria Lavelle.

While I am happy to relate events as I recall them you must understand that many conversations I had with Ms Lavelle happened many months ago and I cannot repeat them verbatim but rather provide an idea as to content only as I recall them.

Early on in the process Maria telephoned to explain the process of the preliminary proceedings in which Michael Joshua and I would be subpoenaed to testify. I believe at that time you were using a public defender. I do recall that Ms. Lavelle told me that Michael and I would testify separately without the other in the courtroom so that neither of us could be accused of tainting the others testimony. I believe this testimony was given before Judge Sullivan.

As I recall, Maria had two other telephone conversations with mom and me between my initial testimony and January of 2014. Both of these calls were conducted over our speaker phone so both mom and I heard the entire conversations. I have no idea of the dates on which these occurred. While I am unable to separate the conversations, the primary reason for them were to discuss the First Degree Kidnapping charge and to try to determine the terms of the eventual sentencing.

Both mom and I were and continue to be opposed to First Degree Kidnapping and we discussed that at length with Maria. As to sentencing, the original information told to us was that because everyone's main consideration was slanted toward the safety of Michael Joshua that Maria would probably ask for something in the 5 to 10 year range with the possibility of time off on the back end for good behavior. In our minds, we thought you were looking at about six years to be actually served.

Maria brought up the fact somewhere during our meetings that all of your telephone conversations were being monitored and that she had complete

transcripts of these. I believe this conversation took place in the first pretrial preparation meeting (or conversation) which transpired more than a year ago when I talked with her privately. According to her, you and your brother Bobby had a conversation early on in the process whereby you said to him that you should have killed little Michael while you had the chance. She mentioned that this could be grounds to pursue an attempted murder charge but that she was not going to follow this course of action nor was she planning to use this information in court.

Maria was also shocked to hear how you talked to your mother over the phone. This was in a later phone conversation. Put these things together and Maria feels that you are a danger to the family. These were her words. I believe that her actions and comments were made to paint a very dark picture of you.

On Saturday, January 25, 2014, mom, Michael Joshua and I were invited to appear at Maria Leville's office to discuss the upcoming jury trial. Each of us were interviewed separately. Mom told me after her interview that Maria had asked her if she was aware of your criminal record. Mom said that she thought she did and Maria waved a file folder at her and said that she had all of your records going back to Chicago. I believe that this was brought up to suggest that she had the ammunition to put you away for some time.

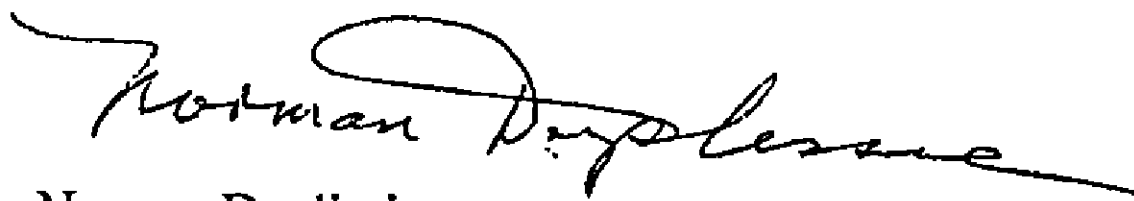
Two other individuals were present at my interview and I do not know their names. Apparently they both worked for the States Attorney's Office. I had met the female participant at the pre trial events but I had never seen the male participant before. During the meeting, Maria briefed me on the procedure and told me that once again, our testimony would be separate and apart from each other. She once again brought up the telephone transcripts which she pointed at as a pile of printouts on her desk. While I glanced at the file (pile of papers) I did not read any of them nor can I attest to the fact that they were in fact telephone transcripts. She did however refer to her understanding that mom must be a very religious person. I was taken back by this comment and said that she wasn't particularly religious even though she had attended Catholic school. Maria responded that she too had attended Catholic school. (After the interview mom and I discussed this matter and mom told me that she had been sending you excerpts from Joel Osteen's book. We both feel that this was Maria's way of letting me know that your mail was being closely monitored, a fact I already knew.) Most of

the interview pertained to procedure.

I do not believe Maria influenced my testimony at trial since to my knowledge, it was the same as the testimony I provided at the pre trial before Judge Sullivan. This does not necessarily mean that her intentions were not to do otherwise. I have written a letter to the sentencing judge questioning the rationale for the First Degree Kidnapping charge. I intend to speak at your sentencing, but understand that I cannot question either the verdict already rendered or the sentence which will be imposed. I intend to ask for leniency for the sake of your mother and son.

On April 9, 2014, the day of your scheduled sentencing, Marie called mom out into the hallway and told her that the sentence she was going to request was to be longer than we originally understood and that a sentence would be requested for each of the two violations that you were found guilty of. In addition, each of the sentences requested would be served consecutively and not concurrently. This would significantly increase prison time and is a drastic deviation from the original information that Maria provided. Both mom and I were shocked and disappointed by this turn of events.

I hope this information will be helpful to you even though I am unable to provide dates, times and specific dialog used between myself and Maria Lavelle.


Norman Duplissie

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EXHIBIT G

Visitors

ID Number : '%1679195%', Start Date : '06-JAN-2013', End Date : '04-APR-2014'
04-APR-14

	ID Number	Living Unit	Inmate Last Name	Inmate First Name	Start Date & Time	Visit Type	Rel Type	Visitor Last Name	Visitor First Name	Visitor Middle Name
1	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	30-May-13 15:03:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
2	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	24-Jul-13 14:37:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
3	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	05-Aug-13 14:55:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL
4	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	06-Aug-13 12:35:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
5	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	25-Jan-14 09:30:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL
6	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	25-Jan-14 09:30:00	LEG	ATT	MATSUDA	JESS	YOICHI
7	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S;:	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	26-Jan-14 15:11:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL

04/05/13 7:00 PM

Confirmation #: 375189 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 04/05/13 7:00 PM-7:25 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-4	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-44

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	6:16 PM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	6:16 PM	

04/21/13 1:00 PM

Confirmation #: 380842 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 04/21/13 1:00 PM-1:25 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-5	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-12

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	12:32 PM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	12:32 PM	

05/11/13 8:00 AM

Confirmation #: 390465 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 05/11/13 8:00 AM-8:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-4	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-05

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	7:38 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	7:38 AM	

08/20/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 435306 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 08/20/13 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-9EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-35

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:33 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:33 AM	

11/04/13 9:30 AM

Confirmation #: 470595 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/04/13 9:30 AM-9:55 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-2	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-03

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:12 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:12 AM	

11/11/13 9:30 AM

Confirmation #: 472146 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/11/13 9:30 AM-9:55 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-17

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:15 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:15 AM	

11/16/13 1:00 PM

Confirmation #: 474023 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/16/13 1:00 PM-1:25 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-16

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	12:39 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	12:39 PM	

11/29/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 481396 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/29/13 10:00 AM-11:05 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-3B-5	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-27

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:48 AM	

12/23/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 491648 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 12/23/13 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-3B-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-12

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:45 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:45 AM	

01/22/14 2:04 PM

Confirmation #: 506242 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 01/22/14 2:04 PM-2:34 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-56 (Priv.)

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
P38S-1554	John Parris	Attorney	2:05 PM	

03/04/14 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 523816 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/04/14 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-41

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:50 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:50 AM	

03/09/14 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 525063 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/09/14 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-28

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:55 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:55 AM	

03/21/14 12:13 PM

Confirmation #: 532444 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/21/14 12:13 PM-1:03 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-59 (Priv., Dual)

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
M5HI-132	Robert Farley	Probation Officer	12:13 PM	

04/02/14 7:30 PM

Confirmation #: 537904 Status:Completed Visitation Time:04/02/14 7:30 PM-7:55 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-61 (Priv., Dual, ADA)

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	6:58 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	6:58 PM	

04/02/14 8:00 PM

Confirmation #: 537906 Status:Completed Visitation Time:04/02/14 8:00 PM-8:25 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-05

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	7:57 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	7:57 PM	

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I, _____ hereby authorize _____ to have unrestricted communication with the Clark County Public Defender's Office.

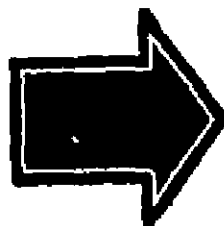
This release includes phone calls, visitations, release of confidential information and protected health information to/from the above named agencies. The purpose of this release is for providing advocacy and disposition services for the client's legal defense. I hereby release the holder of such information from liability if any, arising from the disclosure of otherwise confidential information. You are specifically authorized to photocopy the following records and to release copies to the above mentioned representative. Records may include but are not limited to:

Medical History and Treatment
 Employment Records
 Family Records
 Probationary Records
 Client's entire file
 Financial Records
 Educational Records
 Correctional Records
 Judicial Records (including juvenile)
 Other _____

USE AND REDISCUSSION: I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time, by written request, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on it. I understand that the information used and disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to re-disclosure by the recipient and no longer protected. This consent, if not withdrawn, will automatically expire according to the following expiration of date, event, or condition: one year or duration of current case. A reproduced copy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original. This information may also be provided to any subsequent attorney who represents me for the previously outlined purposes or to facilitate an appeal.

Note: The confidentiality of psychiatric, drug and/or alcohol abuse and HIV records is required and no information from these specific records shall be transmitted to anyone else without written consent or authorization as provided under Federal Regulation 42 CFR 2. Regulations prohibit any further disclosure without specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not sufficient for this purpose. I give consent to the release of any or all records containing the following diagnoses for the intended purposes and conditions as stated above:

HIV Related Records
 Drug/Alcohol Treatment Records
 Psychiatric/Psychological Records
 Client's entire file
 Other _____

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Client Signature _____
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 Witness _____
 Date _____

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Name: MICHAEL D. SCHAFER Case# 10-3-1965
Address: 353-70-2354
DOB: 10-3-1965
Social Security: 353-70-2354

I, Michael D. Schaffer, hereby authorize _____
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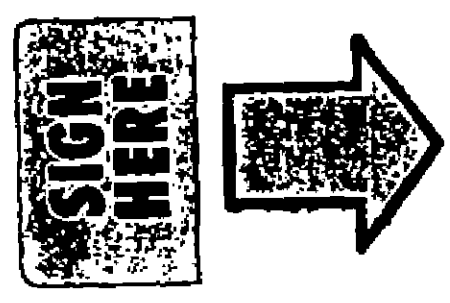
- ☐ Medical History and Treatment
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- ☐ Probationary Records
- ☐ Parole Records
- ☐ Employment Records
- ☐ Financial Records
- ☐ Educational Records
- ☐ Correctional Records
- ☐ Judicial Records (including juvenile)
- ☐ Other _____

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- ☐ HIV Related Records
- ☐ Drug/Alcohol Treatment Records
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Client's entire file
- ☐ Psychiatric/Psychological Records
- ☐ Other _____

Client Signature _____ Date 7-24-13
Witness _____ Date _____



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MAILED THIS DAY OF June, 2014,
I MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, do solemnly
swear, under the penalty of perjury, that
THE ABOVE EXHIBITS ARE ACQUAINT, CORRECT
AND TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
Respectfully Submitted
Michael J. Schofield
MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

EXHIBIT 7

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Attn: Dan Jenkins

Re: Michael John Schofield
Case #13F00320X/C287009

May 1st 2013

Dear Mr. Jenkins

I am writing this letter in order to share my feelings on the above mentioned case as well as to render clarification on a few points which I understand came before the court in the most recent session.

I certainly understand the severity of the crime committed and expect my son Michael John Schofield to be held responsible for his actions. The domestic battery and the child abuse charges were witnessed by family members and these are fully supported as being appropriate. However, we fail to understand the charge of burglary in the 1st degree and the charge of kidnapping in the 1st degree.

Since Michael was voluntarily allowed into our home on 1/6/2013 we see no reason for the burglary charge. He did not force his way in nor did he threaten anyone in the household in any manner upon entry. We believe this charge should be dropped.

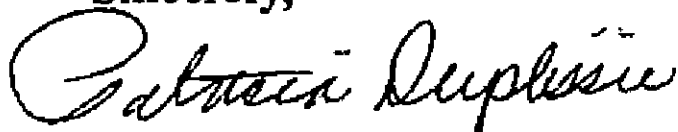
With regard to the kidnapping charge in the first degree I feel that this was more of a disciplinary action on the part of the father (Michael John) toward his son (Michael Joshua) rather than a kidnapping. It is true that the son did not wish to accompany his father to Wal-Mart and that the father was too violent in attempting to accomplish this. There was no weapon involved and the understanding I have is that if Michael Joshua did accompany his father that they would return in a short period of time. For these reasons I believe that kidnapping in the 1st degree should be dropped or at least reduced to a 2nd degree status.

It was alleged in court that Michael John had an assigned day each week where he was allowed to visit with Michael Joshua. This is not true. Since we assumed guardianship of Michael Joshua in 2001 we have tried our best to maintain a normal relationship between father and son insofar as possible. We felt that as long as the father was not impaired that he could see his son on a request basis.

In recent months before the incident on 1/6/2013, Michael John (father) had incurred several medical incidents which required hospitalization. On one incident he was diagnosed with having seizures which required medication. It is my understanding that this situation was supported by the medical staff at the Detention Center and in fact he has been housed in the Psychiatric Ward. You may wish to review this situation and determine if diminished mental capacity may be an issue in this case.

I believe we all wish to see justice done in this matter. Hopefully the above information may be helpful to you in accomplishing this goal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia Duplissie". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Patricia Duplissie

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EXHIBIT F

To Michael John Schofield

May 2, 2014

Dear Michael,

Today you called and requested certain information concerning my dealings with the assistant States Attorney, Maria Lavelle.

While I am happy to relate events as I recall them you must understand that many conversations I had with Ms Lavelle happened many months ago and I cannot repeat them verbatim but rather provide an idea as to content only as I recall them.

Early on in the process Maria telephoned to explain the process of the preliminary proceedings in which Michael Joshua and I would be subpoenaed to testify. I believe at that time you were using a public defender. I do recall that Ms. Lavelle told me that Michael and I would testify separately without the other in the courtroom so that neither of us could be accused of tainting the others testimony. I believe this testimony was given before Judge Sullivan.

As I recall, Maria had two other telephone conversations with mom and me between my initial testimony and January of 2014. Both of these calls were conducted over our speaker phone so both mom and I heard the entire conversations. I have no idea of the dates on which these occurred. While I am unable to separate the conversations, the primary reason for them were to discuss the First Degree Kidnapping charge and to try to determine the terms of the eventual sentencing.

Both mom and I were and continue to be opposed to First Degree Kidnapping and we discussed that at length with Maria. As to sentencing, the original information told to us was that because everyone's main consideration was slanted toward the safety of Michael Joshua that Maria would probably ask for something in the 5 to 10 year range with the possibility of time off on the back end for good behavior. In our minds, we thought you were looking at about six years to be actually served.

Maria brought up the fact somewhere during our meetings that all of your telephone conversations were being monitored and that she had complete

transcripts of these. I believe this conversation took place in the first pretrial preparation meeting (or conversation) which transpired more than a year ago when I talked with her privately. According to her, you and your brother Bobby had a conversation early on in the process whereby you said to him that you should have killed little Michael while you had the chance. She mentioned that this could be grounds to pursue an attempted murder charge but that she was not going to follow this course of action nor was she planning to use this information in court.

Maria was also shocked to hear how you talked to your mother over the phone. This was in a later phone conversation. Put these things together and Maria feels that you are a danger to the family. These were her words. I believe that her actions and comments were made to paint a very dark picture of you.

On Saturday, January 25, 2014, mom, Michael Joshua and I were invited to appear at Maria Leville's office to discuss the upcoming jury trial. Each of us were interviewed separately. Mom told me after her interview that Maria had asked her if she was aware of your criminal record. Mom said that she thought she did and Maria waved a file folder at her and said that she had all of your records going back to Chicago. I believe that this was brought up to suggest that she had the ammunition to put you away for some time.

Two other individuals were present at my interview and I do not know their names. Apparently they both worked for the States Attorney's Office. I had met the female participant at the pre trial events but I had never seen the male participant before. During the meeting, Maria briefed me on the procedure and told me that once again, our testimony would be separate and apart from each other. She once again brought up the telephone transcripts which she pointed at as a pile of printouts on her desk. While I glanced at the file (pile of papers) I did not read any of them nor can I attest to the fact that they were in fact telephone transcripts. She did however refer to her understanding that mom must be a very religious person. I was taken back by this comment and said that she wasn't particularly religious even though she had attended Catholic school. Maria responded that she too had attended Catholic school. (After the interview mom and I discussed this matter and mom told me that she had been sending you excerpts from Joel Osteen's book. We both feel that this was Maria's way of letting me know that your mail was being closely monitored, a fact I already knew.) Most of

the interview pertained to procedure.

I do not believe Maria influenced my testimony at trial since to my knowledge, it was the same as the testimony I provided at the pre trial before Judge Sullivan. This does not necessarily mean that her intentions were not to do otherwise. I have written a letter to the sentencing judge questioning the rationale for the First Degree Kidnapping charge. I intend to speak at your sentencing, but understand that I cannot question either the verdict already rendered or the sentence which will be imposed. I intend to ask for leniency for the sake of your mother and son.

On April 9, 2014, the day of your scheduled sentencing, Marie called mom out into the hallway and told her that the sentence she was going to request was to be longer than we originally understood and that a sentence would be requested for each of the two violations that you were found guilty of. In addition, each of the sentences requested would be served consecutively and not concurrently. This would significantly increase prison time and is a drastic deviation from the original information that Maria provided. Both mom and I were shocked and disappointed by this turn of events.

I hope this information will be helpful to you even though I am unable to provide dates, times and specific dialog used between myself and Maria Lavelle.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Norman Duplissie". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Norman Duplissie

EXHIBIT 9

EXHIBIT F

NOT PERMANENT PART OF PATIENT RECORD:

MRI Brain W&WO Contrast

SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J - 689494

* Final Report *

Result type: MRI Brain W&WO Contrast
Result Date: 03 July 2012 14:06
Result status: Auth (Verified)
Result Title: MR Brain wo+w Contrast
Source of Report: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
Verified By: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
Encounter info: 33014697, SRDHM, Observation, 07/03/12 -

* Final Report *

MR Brain wo+w Contrast

Patient Name: SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J
Patient Medical Record Number: 689494

Account Number: 13-MR-12-018189 Exam: MR Brain wo+w
Contrast
Exam Date and 7/3/2012 2:06:16 Ordering Akbar, Tanveer
Time: PM PDT Physician:

Report

EXAM: MRI of the Brain With and Without Contrast 07/03/12

COMPARISON: Head CT 07/02/12. MRI brain 08/10/09.

HISTORY: Possible seizure. Motor vehicle accident.

TECHNIQUE: Sagittal T1. Coronal and FLAIR. Axial T1, T2, FLAIR, diffusion, ADC and gradient. Post Gadolinium axial and coronal T1. 15 cc of ProHance was used.

FINDINGS: The study is somewhat limited secondary to motion

There is no midline shift or hydrocephalus. No evidence of an acute infarct. No obvious hemorrhage.

As noted on the prior MRI, there is a venous angioma within the right frontal lobe medially. This is adjacent to the right frontal horn. There is no extraaxial fluid collection.

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The mastoids are clear. The orbits are unremarkable.

There is evidence of some mucosal thickening of the ethmoid and sphenoid sinuses.

IMPRESSION: 1. Study limited by motion.

2. No acute infarct or hemorrhage.

3. As before, venous angioma of the right frontal lobe.

4. Mild paranasal sinus disease.

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Dictated by: Chang, Scott

Signed by: Chang, Scott

* * Electronic Signature * *

Transcribed by: JA, T: 07/03/2012 22:17, S: 07/04/2012 09:57

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Completed Action List:

* VERIFY by Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06

* Order by Contributor_system, SRDHRAD

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EXHIBIT 10

1 THE DEFENDANT: Great. Okay. It says, "Every
2 person who takes, leads, entices or carries away --

3 THE COURT: Right.

4 THE DEFENDANT: -- or detains any minor with the
5 intent to keep, imprison or confine the minor from his
6 parents --

7 THE COURT: Right.

8 THE DEFENDANT: -- guardians or any other person
9 having lawful custody of the minor is guilty of -- in the
10 first degree." The Count IV first degree kidnapping says,
11 "Did willfully, unlawfully, feloniously and without authority
12 of law."

13 THE COURT: Yes.

14 THE DEFENDANT: That is the major flaw because if
15 you have the authority of law, which would be the parent,
16 permission to take the child, then that -- it says every
17 person and it does not mention that in this jury instruction.

18 THE COURT: The jury instruction correctly reflects
19 Nevada law.

20 THE DEFENDANT: It does? It doesn't state the
21 authority of law.

22 THE COURT: Okay, I've ruled. What's your next
23 issue?

24 THE DEFENDANT: This is --

25 THE COURT: I'm not having an argument with it.

EXHIBIT 11

1 mom and her -- and Norman bought me a car, and --

2 THE COURT: Okay, sorry, the question was about why
3 you had given them guardianship, so I think you answered
4 that.

5 THE WITNESS: Okay.

6 MS. LAVELL: Your Honor, do you want us to do
7 follow-ups on each individual question or at the end?

8 THE COURT: At the end.

9 MS. LAVELL: Okay.

10 THE COURT: Okay. Were you ever officially
11 diagnosed with seizure disorder?

12 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I take -- when -- right --
13 while I'm here, I take Keppra, and I don't know why they
14 decided they would give me Keppra here. I think when I first
15 got here --

16 THE COURT: So is that -- just the question is
17 whether you were diagnosed with seizure disorder?

18 THE WITNESS: I take medication for -- I took
19 Depakote and -- before I came -- was in jail, and now I take
20 -- but if you want to know the truth, I don't remember ever
21 going to a doctor to get it. So I don't even know what
22 doctor gave -- did -- some doctor did prescribe me Depakote.

23 THE COURT: And it's your understanding that that's
24 for a seizure disorder?

25 THE WITNESS: Yes.

EXHIBIT 12

1 THE COURT: Okay. Were you ever officially
2 diagnosed with memory loss?

3 THE WITNESS: I was in the process of going to, I
4 think, it was a psychiatrist somewhere by St. Rose Hospital,
5 and that was trying to find out what -- why was it that I
6 would have a complete -- like I can remember my phone number
7 as a child or my address, but some of -- or things exactly
8 what they were, I thought -- I think I could, and --

9 THE COURT: Did you get to a point that you
10 actually had a diagnosis?

11 THE WITNESS: No. What they were doing is they
12 were sending me for a PET scan to find out where there would
13 be --

14 THE COURT: Okay.

15 THE WITNESS: -- possibly something that would --

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 THE WITNESS: -- spot, specks or something on the
18 brain because of boxing and --

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 THE WITNESS: -- and here what they --

21 THE COURT: But you never got the diagnosis?

22 THE WITNESS: The diagnosis from in here was that
23 he suspected that I --

24 MS. LAVELL: Your Honor, I'm going to object at
25 this point. He's either gotten a diagnosis or he hasn't

EXHIBIT 13

INSTRUCTION NO. 10

Every person who leads, takes, entices, or carries away, or detains, any minor, with the intent to keep, imprison, or confine the minor from his parents, guardians, or any other person having lawful custody of the minor is guilty of kidnapping in the first degree.

A kidnapping does not require force.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

CASE NO. 65193

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD,

Appellant,

vs.

STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

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APPEAL

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1 AT NO POINT DID THE STATE PROVE THAT THE
2 DEFENDANTS INTENT WAS TO KEEP, IMPRISON, OR
3 CONFINED, HIS SON, MICHAEL. BOTH LEGAL
4 GUARDIANS, NORMAN DUPLESSIE AND PATRICIA DUPLESSIE,
5 AND THE DEFENDANT, AND MICHAEL, TESTIFIED, UNDER
6 OATH, ON THE WITNESS STAND THAT THE DEFENDANTS
7 INTENT WAS TO GO TO THE STORE AND RETURN. THE
8 CHARGE OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING REQUIRES AN
9 INQUIRY OF THE SPECIFIC INTENT OF THE DEFENDANT.
10 JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 11 STATES IN WHOLE: 'IT IS
11 THE FACT, NOT THE DISTANCE, OF FORCIBLE MOVEMENT
12 OF THE VICTIM, THAT CONSTITUTES KIDNAPPING'. THIS
13 HELPS FURTHER DEFINE KIDNAPPING, WHICH IS ONE
14 ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. THE WORD
15 KIDNAP IS ACTUALLY USED TO DESCRIBE ONE
16 ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING IN NRS
17 200.310(1). TO USE THIS TERMINOLOGY JURY INSTRUCTION
18 NO. 11 SHOULD READ 'THE FACT NOT THE DISTANCE OF
19 FORCIBLE MOVEMENT, COMBINED WITH THE INTENT TO
20 KEEP, IMPRISON, OR CONFINED'. THIS JURY INSTRUCTION
21 IS VERY MISLEADING TO THE JURY WHICH DID NOT
22 HAVE THE OPTION OF FINDING GUILTY TO A
23 LESSER DEGREE OF KIDNAP, YET WAS GIVEN
24 A DEFINITION OF A LESSER DEGREE OF
25 KIDNAPPING AS AN INSTRUCTION.

1 THERE IS A REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE
2 JURY APPLIED, JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 10 AND JURY
3 INSTRUCTION NO. 11, IN A WAY THAT RELIEVED THE
4 STATE OF ITS BURDEN OF PROVING EVERY
5 ELEMENT OF THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE
6 KIDNAPPING, BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.
7 THIS CONCLUSION CAN BE MADE BASED ON
8 THE FACT THE STATE DID NOT EVEN TRY
9 TO PROVE, NOR DID THEY, THAT THE DEFENDANT'S
10 INTENT WAS TO KEEP, IMPRISON, OR CONFINED,
11 HIS SON MICHAEL. THIS CAN ALSO BE CONCLUDED,
12 THAT BASED ON THE TESTIMONY OF THREE WITNESSES,
13 THAT ALL STATED, THAT AT VIRTUALLY THE SAME TIME
14 DURING THE INCIDENT, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN GAVE
15 THE DEFENDANT PERMISSION TO TAKE MICHAEL TO
16 THE STORE. THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
17 AND EVERY ELEMENT OF THAT CRIME WAS NOT
18 PROVED BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT. BEING THAT
19 THE VERDICT OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING ~~WAS~~
20 ~~CONTRARY~~ WAS CONTRARY TO LAW, THE COURT SHOULD GRANT
21 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL. BEING THAT THE VERDICT
22 OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING WAS
23 CONTRARY TO EVIDENCE THE HONORABLE JUDGE
24 SHOULD GRANT THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL.
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1 STATE V. STANLEY, 4 NEV. 71, 4 NEV. 73, 1868, NEV.

2 LEXIS 14(1868)

3 THE RIGHT TO GRANT NEW TRIALS BEING
4 CONFERRED UPON THE DISTRICT COURTS, ITS
5 EXERCISE BY THEM IN ANY PARTICULAR CASE WILL BE
6 PRESUMED TO BE CORRECT AND PROPER UNTIL THE
7 CONTRARY IS SHOWN.

8 STATE V. CROCKETT 84 NEV. 516, 444 P. 2d 896 NEV. LEXIS 398 (1968)

9 THE EXERCISE BY THE TRIAL COURT OF THE RIGHT TO
10 GRANT A NEW TRIAL WILL BE PRESUMED CORRECT AND PROPER
11 BY THE APPELLATE COURT UNTIL THE CONTRARY IS SHOWN.

12 NYATT V. STATE 101 NEV. 761 P. 2d 720, 1985 NEV. LEXIS 509 (1985)

13 WHERE THE EVIDENCE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO
14 JUSTIFY A RATIONAL JURY IN FINDING GUILT BEYOND
15 A REASONABLE DOUBT, A JURY'S VERDICT WILL NOT BE
16 UPHOLD ON APPEAL; ACCORDINGLY, UNDER SUCH
17 CIRCUMSTANCES, THE ADVISORY INSTRUCTION
18 AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION IS PROPER.

19 LENZ V. STATE, 97 NEV. 65, 624 P. 2d 15, 1981 NEV. LEXIS

20 434 (1981) THE GRANTING OF AN ADVISORY INSTRUCTION
21 TO ACQUIT RESTS WITHIN THE SOUND DISCRETION
22 OF THE COURT.

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1 BURKHART V. STATE 107 NEV. 797, 820 P.2d 757, 1991
2 LEXIS 173 (1991) THERE WAS NO TESTIMONY WHICH
3 WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THE JURY TO INFER WHAT
4 DEFENDANT INTENDED TO DO WITH THE VICTIM.
5 WADDINGTON V. SARASAD, 555 U.S. 179, 129,
6 S. Ct. 823, 172 L. Ed. 2d. 539 (2009)
7 DEFENDANT CHALLENGING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY
8 OF A JURY INSTRUCTION THAT QUOTES A STATE
9 STATUTE MUST ~~SHOW~~ SHOW BOTH THE INSTRUCTION
10 WAS AMBIGUOUS AND THAT THERE WAS A "REASONABLE
11 LIKELIHOOD" THAT THE JURY APPLIED THE INSTRUCTION
12 IN A WAY THAT RELIEVED THE STATE OF ITS BURDEN
13 OF PROVING EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME
14 BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT. THE PERTINENT
15 QUESTION IS WHETHER "THE INSTRUCTION BY
16 ITSELF SO INFECTED THE ENTIRE TRIAL THAT
17 THE RESULTING CONVICTION VIOLATES DUE PROCESS."
18 JOHNSON V. U.S., 520 U.S. 461, 466-67, 117 S. Ct.
19 1544 (1997) (EXPLAINING ERRORS CAN BE
20 CORRECTED WHEN THERE IS (1) ERROR (2) THAT
21 IS PLAIN (3) THAT AFFECTS SUBSTANTIAL
22 RIGHTS (4) SERIOUSLY AFFECTS THE
23 FAIRNESS, INTEGRITY OR PUBLIC
24 REPUTATION OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDING).

1 WASHINGTON V STATE 98 NEV. 601:655 P. 2d
2 531; 1982 NEV. LEXIS 542 NO. 11294 DEC. 29, 1982
3 DEFENDANT CONTENDED THAT THE TRIAL COURT HAD
4 AUTHORITY TO CONSIDER HIS MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL.
5 FURTHER NRS 176.515(3) DESCRIBED CONDITIONS THAT
6 WERE TO HAVE BEEN MET FOR A NEW TRIAL BASED ON
7 NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE; HOWEVER NRS 176.515(4)
8 RECOGNIZED THAT A MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL MIGHT BE BASED
9 ON "OTHER GROUNDS". THE COURT HELD THAT SUCH "OTHER
10 GROUNDS" EXISTED WHEN THE TRIAL COURT DISAGREED
11 WITH THE JURY'S VERDICT AFTER AN INDEPENDENT
12 EVALUATION OF THE EVIDENCE. THEREFORE THE COURT
13 CONCLUDED THAT THE TRIAL COURT OPERATED UNDER
14 THE ERRONEOUS BELIEF THAT IT LACKED JURISDICTION
15 TO RULE ON DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL,
16 AND THE JUDGE ERRED BY FAILING TO EXERCISE
17 HIS DISCRETION. THE COURT REVERSED THE TRIAL
18 COURT'S DENIAL OF DEFENDANT MOTION FOR NEW
19 TRIAL AND REMANDED THE CASE.

20 COBB V. POZZI 363 F. 3d 89, 116 (2d CIR 2004)
21 AN ERRONEOUS JURY INSTRUCTIONS
22 REQUIRES REVERSAL ON APPEAL UNLESS
23 THE ERROR IS HARMLESS.

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1 STATE V. VAN WINKLE, 6 NEV. 340
2 STATE V. JONES, 7 NEV. 408
3 STATE V. MILLS 12 NEV. 403
4 STATE V. BAUER 34 NEV. 305, 122 P. 76
5 HISTORICALLY, NEVADA HAS EMPOWERED
6 THE TRIAL COURT IN A CRIMINAL CASE, WHERE
7 THE EVIDENCE OF GUILT IS CONFLICTING, TO
8 INDEPENDENTLY EVALUATE THE EVIDENCE AND
9 ORDER ANOTHER TRIAL IF IT DOES NOT AGREE WITH
10 THE JURY'S CONCLUSION THAT THE DEFENDANT
11 HAS BEEN PROVEN GUILTY BEYOND A REASONABLE
12 DOUBT. THE JURY AND THE COURT MUST BE
13 CONVINCED OF THE DEFENDANT'S GUILT. IF
14 THE COURT IS NOT CONVINCED, IT MAY PROTECT
15 THE DEFENDANT TO THE EXTENT OF
16 AUTHORIZING ANOTHER TRIAL BEFORE ANOTHER
17 JURY. ACCORDINGLY, THE "TOTALITY OF THE
18 EVIDENCE IS THE STANDARD FOR THE DISTRICT
19 COURT TO USE IN DECIDING WHETHER TO
20 GRANT A NEW TRIAL BASED ON AN
21 INDEPENDANT EVALUATION OF
22 CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.
23 NRS 175.535 THE GROUNDS FOR ANOTHER
24 TRIAL.

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ARGUMENT

I. STATE FAILURE TO DISCLOSE FAVORABLE EVIDENCE.

PATRICIA NUPLISSIE SENT A LETTER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND SENT A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE, ATTN: DAN JENKINS ON MAY 1, 2013. THE ENVELOPE IS DATED MAY 2, 2013. THE LETTER HEAD IS DATED MAY 1, 2013. THE LETTER STATES IN PART: 'IN RECENT MONTHS BEFORE THE INCIDENT ON 1/6/13, MICHAEL JOHN (FATHER) HAD INCURRED SEVERAL MEDICAL INCIDENTS WHICH REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION. ON ONE INCIDENT HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH HAVING SEIZURES, WHICH REQUIRED MEDICATION. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS SITUATION WAS SUPPORTED BY THE MEDICAL STAFF AT THE DETENTION CENTER AND IN FACT HE HAS BEEN HOUSED IN THE PSYCHIATRIC WARD. YOU MAY WISH TO REVIEW THIS SITUATION AND DETERMINE IF DIMINISHED MENTAL CAPACITY MAY BE AN ISSUE IN THIS CASE. I BELIEVE WE ALL WISH TO SEE JUSTICE DONE IN THIS MATTER. HOPEFULLY THE ABOVE INFORMATION MAY BE HELPFUL TO YOU IN ACCOMPLISHING THIS GOAL.'

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1 THERE ARE MANY ERRORS IN BOTH THE STATES OPPOSITION
2 ARGUMENT I SECTION AND IN THE STATES REPLY
3 ARGUMENT I SECTION. ALSO SOME OF THESE ERRORS
4 APPEAR TO BE INTENTIONALLY TRYING TO MISLEAD THE
5 COURT AND THE HONORABLE JUDGE. THE DISTRICT
6 ATTORNEY REFUSES EVEN TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE D.A.
7 RECEIVED THIS LETTER, WHICH WAS SENT VIA THE U.S.
8 POST OFFICE, AN EXTREMELY RELIABLE DELIVERY
9 SERVICE, AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DAN JENKINS
10 RECEIVED HIS COPY OF THIS LETTER. SINCE THE
11 DEFENSE PUT IN A REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY AND
12 PERSUAINT TO NRS 174.245, THE DEFENSE IS OBLIGATED
13 TO PROVIDE FOR THE D.A.'S OFFICE A COPY OF ANY WRITTEN OR
14 RECORDED STATEMENT MADE BY ANY WITNESS. SO UNLESS
15 THE STATE DID NOT RECEIVE THE LETTER SENT THRU THE
16 MAIL AND THE STATE DID NOT RECEIVE THE LETTER IN TRANSFER
17 OF DISCOVERY, THEN THE STATE DID RECEIVE THIS LETTER.
18 FURTHERMORE, PATRICIA DUPLESSIE IN HER LETTER, DID
19 NOT CLAIM TO BE A PHYSICIAN CAPABLE OF DIAGNOSING
20 MEDICAL ISSUES OR MENTAL DISORDERS. WHAT SHE
21 DID SAY IN HER LETTER IS THAT THOSE WHO ARE CAPABLE
22 OF DIAGNOSING MEDICAL ISSUES OR MENTAL DISORDERS
23 HAVE DIAGNOSED THE DEFENDANT WITH A MEDICAL ISSUE
24 OR MENTAL DISORDER THAT VERY WELL COULD HAVE
25 BEEN A RELEVANT FACTOR IN HIS BEHAVIOR THAT DAY.

1 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS MISLEADING THE
2 COURT, WHEN IN THE STATE'S REPLY ARGUMENT I
3 SECTION, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CLAIMS THAT
4 THE DEFENDANT 'FAILED TO SPECIFY WHAT
5 MEDICAL CONDITION OR MENTAL ISSUES THE
6 DEFENDANT CLAIMS TO SUFFER FROM BEYOND
7 TESTIFYING AT TRIAL, OVER THE STATE'S
8 OBJECTIONS.' THIS IS A FALSE STATEMENT
9 BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. THE STATE'S
10 OBJECTIONS WERE HEARD BY THE HONORABLE
11 JUDGE. THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT
12 ALLOWED TO COMPLETE HIS TESTIMONY
13 ABOUT HIS MEDICAL ISSUES OR MENTAL
14 DISORDER, WHEN THE STATE OBJECTED
15 BASED ON NOT HAVING ANY FOREKNOWLEDGE
16 OF MEDICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES
17 OF THE DEFENDANT.

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1 ROBINSON V. CAIN, 510 F. Supp. 2d 399 (E.D.L.A. 2007)
2 Apply BRADY, THE FIFTH CIRCUIT HAS FOUND
3 THAT EVEN INADMISSABLE EVIDENCE MAY BE
4 MATERIAL UNDER BRADY AND THAT THE
5 INADMISSABILITY OF EVIDENCE UNDER STATE
6 LAW IS NOT DISPOSITIVE ON THE ISSUE OF
7 MATERIALITY. INSTEAD THE QUESTION IS
8 "WHETHER THE DISCLOSURE OF THE
9 EVIDENCE WOULD HAVE CREATED A
10 REASONABLE PROBABILITY THAT THE
11 PROCEEDING WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT"
12 AND MORE SPECIFICALLY DOES THE
13 EVIDENCE "PUT THE WHOLE CASE IN A
14 DIFFERENT LIGHT AS TO UNDERMINE
15 THE CONFIDENCE IN THE VERDICT,"

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1 CONE V. BELL, 556 U.S. 449, 129 S.Ct. 1769

2 173 L. Ed. 2d 701 (2009)

3 WHEN THERE IS A REASONABLE PROBABILITY
4 THAT, HAD THE EVIDENCE BEEN DISCLOSED, THE
5 RESULT OF THE PROCEEDING WOULD HAVE BEEN
6 DIFFERENT. IN OTHER WORDS, FAVORABLE
7 EVIDENCE IS SUBJECT TO CONSTITUTIONALITY
8 MANDATED DISCLOSURE WHEN IT "COULD
9 REASONABLY BE TAKEN TO PUT THE WHOLE
10 CASE IN SUCH A DIFFERENT LIGHT AS TO
11 UNDERMINE CONFIDENCE IN THE VERDICT."

12 IN CONE, THE COURT CONCLUDED THAT THE
13 STATE SUPPRESSED EVIDENCE SUPPORTING
14 CONE CLAIM AT TRIAL THAT HIS DRUG
15 ADDICTION AFFECTED HIS BEHAVIOR DURING
16 HIS CRIME SPREE AND THAT THE
17 PROSECUTORS ARGUMENT TO THE CONTRARY
18 WERE FALSE AND MISLEADING. IT
19 REMANDED THE CASE FOR CONSIDERATION
20 OF WHETHER THERE WAS A REASONABLE
21 PROBABILITY "THE SUPPRESSED EVIDENCE
22 MIGHT HAVE PERSUADED ONE OR MORE
23 JURORS."

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1 NRS 51.115 STATEMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF
2 MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS OR TREATMENT. STATEMENTS
3 MADE FOR PURPOSES OF MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS OR
4 TREATMENT AND DESCRIBING MEDICAL HISTORY, OR
5 PAST, OR PRESENT SYMPTOMS, PAINS OR SENSATIONS,
6 OR THE INCEPTION OR GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE
7 CAUSE OR EXTERNAL SOURCE THERE OF, ARE NOT
8 INADMISSABLE UNDER THE HEARSAY RULE INsofar
9 AS THEY WERE REASONABLY PERTINENT TO
10 DIAGNOSIS OR TREATMENT.

11 RULE 301, FED. R. EVID. (STATING THAT "A PRESUMPTION
12 IMPOSES ON THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM IT IS DIRECTED
13 THE BURDEN OF GOING FORWARD WITH EVIDENCE
14 TO REBUT OR MEET THE PRESUMPTION, BUT DOES
15 NOT SHIFT TO SUCH PARTY THE BURDEN OF PROOF
16 IN THE SENSE OF THE RISK OF NONPERSUASION")
17 FOR EXAMPLE, IF IT IS SHOWN THAT A PERSON
18 MADE USE OF A RELIABLE MEANS OF
19 COMMUNICATION, A FACT FINDER CAN INFER,
20 THAT THE COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED.

21 KENDALL V. GATES 215 F.3d 825, 829-30 (8TH CIR 2000)
22 SMITH V. CUMMINGS, 445 F.3d 1254, 1260 (10TH CIR, 2006)
23 SULLIVAN V. FREEMAN 944 F.2d 334, 337 (7TH CIR 1991)

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II NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE

THE DEFENDANT WILL SHOW THAT THERE IS
NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE THAT WAS NOT
AVAILABLE TO THE DEFENDANT BEFORE OR DURING
TRIAL. THE NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE IS MEDICAL
REPORTS FROM JULY 2012, APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS
PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE ON JANUARY 6, 2013.
THERE ARE TWO REPORTS AND A THIRD DOCUMENT,
THAT APPEARS TO BE A DISCHARGE FORM, FROM ST. ROSE
HOSPITAL, THAT LISTS MEDICATION TO BE TAKEN (KEPRA 500mg)
TWICE DAILY. ONE REPORT IS AN MRI DONE ON THE
DEFENDANT'S BRAIN. IT GIVES AN EXAM DATE OF 7/3/12
TIME 2:06 PM PDT ACCOUNT NUMBER: 13-MR-12-018189
REPORT EXAM: MRI OF THE BRAIN WITH AND WITHOUT
CONTRAST 7/03/12 ORDER PHYSICIAN: AKBAR, TANVEER
PRINTED BY: ACEVES, TANYA RN PRINTED ON 7/4/12
DICTATED BY: CHANG, SCOTT. THE OTHER REPORT IS A
SLEEP LAB/EEG OR ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAM.
DATE OF PROCEDURE 7/3/12 Referring PHYSICIAN:
A. TANVEER, M.D., BUT IT ALSO HAS THE NAME STEPHEN
P. RAPS, M.D. ON THE REPORT. I DO NOT SEE AN
ACCOUNT #. THE DEFENDANT HAS BEEN INCARCERATED
SINCE THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE ON
JAN 6, 2013.
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1 THE SLEEP LAB / EEG SAYS STUDY INDICATIONS:
2 NEW ONSET SEIZURES AND CORRELATION
3 CLINICALLY AND CRANIALLY IMAGING IS ADVISED.
4 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN HER REPLY SAYS:
5 'DEFENDANT WOULD BE AWARE OF ANY
6 TREATMENT BY PHYSICIANS FOR HIS SEIZURES
7 OR ANY OTHER MEDICAL OR MENTAL ISSUES.'
8 THIS COULD NOT BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. A
9 SYMPTOM OF THE SEIZURES IS MEMORY LOSS.
10 THE DEFENDANT FILED A MOTION TO DISMISS THE
11 PUBLIC DEFENDER IN JULY 2013. THE MOTION STATES
12 IN PART: 'DEFENDANT HAS A HISTORY OF SEIZURES -
13 AND EVEN HAD A MEDICAL EPISODE. DEFENDANT
14 REQUESTED HIS PUBLIC DEFENDER ADDRESS THIS ISSUE,
15 AS IT RELATES TO HIS DEFENSE, AND HE FAILED TO
16 ADDRESS DEFENDANT'S MEDICAL HISTORY AT ALL.'
17 AFTER THIS HEARING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER MADE
18 AN ATTORNEY VISIT TO C.C.D.C. AND PRESENTED MEDICAL
19 RELEASE FORMS FOR THE DEFENDANT TO SIGN
20 WHICH ARE DATED 7-24-13. THE DEFENDANT
21 INFORMED THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AT THIS VISIT
22 THAT THE ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS WAS NOW
23 REPRESENTING THE DEFENDANT. THE ATTORNEY
24 JOHN PARRIS MADE AN ATTORNEY VISIT TO THE
25 DEFENDANT ON AUGUST 5, 2013.

1 AT THIS INITIAL MEETING, WHICH WAS THE FIRST
2 TIME SPEAKING TO HIM, THE DEFENDANT EXPLAINED
3 THAT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER DID NOT INVESTIGATE
4 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL ISSUES (THE P.D.
5 BROUGHT THE MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS TO THE DEFENDANT
6 AFTER THE MOTION TO DISMISS COUNSEL COURT DATE AND
7 AFTER HE WAS NO LONGER REPRESENTING THE DEFENDANT)
8 JOHN PARRIS EXPRESSED TO THE DEFENDANT THAT HE
9 WOULD INVESTIGATE THE MEDICAL/MENTAL HISTORY
10 OF THE DEFENDANT AND THE FACTS OF THE CASE
11 TO DISCUSS WITH THE DEFENDANT 'DEFENSE
12 STRATEGIES'. HE TOLD THE DEFENDANT HE WOULD
13 VISIT HIM AGAIN IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS. THE
14 DEFENDANT DID NOT HEAR OR SEE THE ATTORNEY
15 AGAIN UNTIL LATE OCTOBER IN COURT FOR THE
16 CALANDAR CALL. THE STATE REQUESTED A
17 CONTINUANCE. THE ATTORNEY PARRIS TOLD THE
18 DEFENDANT HE WOULD VISIT HIM SOON. THE
19 DEFENDANT DID NOT HEAR OR SEE THE ATTORNEY
20 AGAIN UNTIL A VIDEO VISIT ON JANUARY 22, 2014
21 THE DAY BEFORE CALANDAR CALL. THE ATTORNEY
22 JOHN PARRIS NEVER PRESENTED THE DEFENDANT
23 WITH MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS FOR THE DEFENDANT
24 TO SIGN. IN JANUARY OF 2013 WHEN THE
25 DEFENDANT WAS HOUSED IN THE PSYCH UNIT

1 AT C.C.D.C., THE PSYCH DOCTOR, WHO DETERMINED
2 THAT THE DEFENDANT SHOULD BE HOUSED IN THE
3 PSYCH UNIT SUGGESTED TO THE DEFENDANT, THAT
4 THE DEFENDANTS ATTORNEY, SHOULD LOOK INTO THE
5 DEFENDANTS MEDICAL HEALTH RECORDS, THAT THERE
6 COULD BE A CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DEFENDANTS
7 MEDICAL HEALTH CONDITION AND THE DEFENDANTS
8 ACTIONS ON JANUARY 6, 2013. HE STATED THAT HE IS
9 NOT AN ATTORNEY, BUT THAT HE WOULD SUGGEST IT
10 BE LOOKED INTO.

11 THE DEFENDANT STOPPED TAKING HIS SEIZURE
12 MEDICATION FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS
13 BEFORE THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE, BECAUSE
14 THE DEFENDANT DID NOT REMEMBER BEING
15 DIAGNOSED WITH SEIZURES. ALSO DID NOT REMEMBER
16 HAVING A SEIZURE. ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 6,
17 2013 THE DEFENDANT WOKE UP IN A PANIC STATE,
18 LOOKING FOR HIS SON MICHAEL. THE DEFENDANT
19 CALLED HIS BROTHER, ROBERT SCHOFIELD, TELLING HIS
20 BROTHER THAT HE CAN NOT FIND HIS SON. ROBERT
21 HAD TO EXPLAIN TO THE DEFENDANT THAT HIS SON,
22 DID NOT LIVE WITH THE DEFENDANT ANY MORE.
23 WITH THE DEFENDANT HAVING TROUBLE BELIEVING
24 THIS, ROBERT ASKED THE DEFENDANT IF HE TOOK
25 HIS SEIZURE MEDICATION. THE DEFENDANT DID

1 NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS EVIDENCE, THAT
2 THE DEFENDANT HAD A SEIZURE. ROBERT TOLD
3 THE DEFENDANT TO CALL MOM, THAT HIS SON
4 MICHAEL IS AT HER HOUSE, WHERE MICHAEL NOW
5 LIVED. THE DEFENDANT CALLED HIS MOTHER
6 AND SHE BROUGHT HIM SOME OVER THE COUNTER
7 MEDICATION BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT COMPLAINED
8 OF HAVING A BAD HEADACHE. THE DEFENDANTS
9 RECALL OF THE EARLY ASPECTS OF THE INCIDENT
10 IS NOT AN ISSUE BUT THERE IS NO RECALL AFTER
11 THE INCIDENT AND ~~SOMEWHERE~~ SOMEWHERE IN THE MIST OF
12 THE INCIDENT. OF THE VERY FEW PHONE CALL TRANSCRIPTS
13 THAT WERE IN THE DEFENSE FILE THE DEFENDANT
14 IN THE PHONE CALLS IS VERY CONFUSED ABOUT WHAT
15 ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE. ON TWO SEPERATE PHONE CALL
16 TRANSCRIPTS THE DEFENDANT KIND OF REPLY'S THAT HE
17 THOUGHT THEY WERE PLAYING BUT THAT MAYBE HE WAS
18 THE ONLY ONE PLAYING. ON ANOTHER PHONE CALL HE
19 TRIED TO INSIST THAT THE WHOLE INCIDENT TOOK
20 PLACE INSIDE THE HOUSE. WHICH WOULD CORRELATE
21 WITH THE DEFENDANTS RECALL OF THE EVENT.
22 THE DEFENDANT HAS ABSOLUTELY NO MEMORY
23 OF CONVERSING WITH POLICE OFFICERS OR BEING
24 IN A POLICE CAR OR ARRIVING AT A POLICE
25 STATION.

1 THE DEFENDANT STOPPED TAKING THE SEIZURE
2 MEDICATION BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT DID NOT
3 REMEMBER BEING DIAGNOSED WITH SEIZURES.
4 THE DEFENDANT WAS REPRESENTED AT FIRST BY P.D.
5 LAW JENKINS, WHO WHILE REPRESENTING THE
6 DEFENDANT DID NOT INVESTIGATE THE MEDICAL/MENTAL
7 HEALTH RECORDS AVAILABLE AT C.C.D.C. IN SPITE OF
8 THE INSISTANCE OF THE DEFENDANT TO DO SO, UNTIL
9 AFTER HIS REPRESENTATION OF THE DEFENDANT. THE
10 DEFENDANT WAS THEN REPRESENTED BY ATT. JOHN PARRIS,
11 WHO TOLD THE DEFENDANT THAT HE WOULD INVESTIGATE
12 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL/MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS AT
13 C.C.D.C. BUT NEVER DID. THE DEFENDANT TRIED TO GET
14 BOTH ATTORNEY'S TO INVESTIGATE HIS MEDICAL/MENTAL
15 HEALTH RECORDS AT C.C.D.C. BUT TO NO AVAIL. THE
16 DEFENDANT TRIED TO BRING UP HIS MEDICAL/MENTAL
17 CONDITION DURING HIS TESTIMONY ON THE WITNESS
18 STAND, BUT THE STATE OBJECTED BASED ON LACK OF
19 PRIOR KNOWLEDGE AND THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT
20 ALLOWED TO CONTINUE WITH THIS TESTIMONY BECAUSE
21 OF LACK OF MEDICAL EVIDENCE SUPPLIED TO THE DISTRICT
22 ATTORNEY. THE DEFENDANT WAS ESSENTIALLY FORCED TO
23 REPRESENT HIMSELF MIDWAY THRU THE JURY TRIAL.
24 THE DEFENDANT WAS TRYING DESPERATELY TO
25 OBTAIN MEDICAL EVIDENCE BEFORE THE TRIAL.

1 AND AFTER THE TRIAL. BEING INCARCURATED
2 ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS SEVERLY LIMITED.
3 MEDICAL/MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS ARE NOT ALLOWED
4 TO BE OBTAINED FROM C.C.D.C. WHILE BEING
5 INCARCURATED THERE. EVEN WITH SELF REPRESENTATION
6 AN INMATE CAN NOT OBTAIN HIS OWN MEDICAL RECORDS.
7 THE NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE WAS NOT AVAILABLE
8 BEFORE OR DURING THE TRIAL. THE REPORTS WERE FOUND
9 AT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE AND NORMAN DUPLISSIE'S HOUSE.
10 WHO INSISTED THAT THEY DID NOT HAVE ANY MEDICAL
11 RECORDS OF THE DEFENDANTS AT THEIR HOUSE.
12 THE MEDICAL REPORTS WERE ~~DISCOVERED~~ DISCOVERED
13 IN THE BEGINNING OF MARCH 2014. THE DISTRICT
14 ATTORNEY IN THE STATE'S REPLY COMMENTS: 'THERE IS
15 NO NEW MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION OF ANY MEDICAL OR
16 MENTAL ISSUES. EVEN IF THERE IS MEDICAL EVIDENCE,
17 IT WOULD NOT HAVE ALTERED THE OUTCOME OF THE TRIAL.'
18 THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
19 IS A PHYSICIAN CAPABLE OF DIAGNOSING MEDICAL
20 CONDITIONS OR MENTAL DISORDERS, ESPECIALLY
21 WITHOUT SEEING THE MEDICAL EVIDENCE OR
22 DOCUMENTS.
23 IN LIGHT OF THE NEWLY DISCOVERED MEDICAL
24 EVIDENCE, THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD GRANT
25 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL.

1 INGEL ex REL. ESTATE OF INGLE V VELTON

2 439 F. 3d 191, 197 (4th CIR 2006) (Rule 59(e))

3 MOTIONS WILL BE GRANTED IN THREE

4 CIRCUMSTANCES: (1) TO ACCOMMODATE AN

5 INTERVENING CHANGE IN CONTROLLING LAW;

6 (2) TO ACCOUNT FOR NEW EVIDENCE NOT

7 AVAILABLE AT TRIAL;

8 (3) TO CORRECT A CLEAR ERROR OF LAW OR

9 PREVENT MANIFEST INJUSTICE")

10 NRS 176.515 COURT MAY GRANT A

11 NEW TRIAL OR MOTION TO VACATE

12 JUDGEMENT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES:

13 1. THE COURT MAY GRANT A NEW TRIAL

14 TO A DEFENDANT IF REQUIRED AS A

15 MATTER OF LAW OR ON THE GROUND OF

16 NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE.

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III PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT

TAMPORING WITH WITNESS BY PROSECUTOR.
THE D.A. MARIA E. LAVELL READ TRANSCRIPTS
OF PHONE CALLS TO NORMAN DUPLISSIE, A
WITNESS FOR THE STATE, WITH THE DESIRED INTENT
TO INFLUENCE TESTIMONY. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
USING EVIDENCE THAT WAS NOT PRODUCED AT
TRIAL OR EVIDENCE THAT WAS DETERMINED NOT
ADMISSABLE EVIDENCE, IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT
BY NORMAN DUPLISSIE, HE WRITES IN PART: "MARIA
BROUGHT UP THE FACT, SOMEWHERE DURING OUR
MEETINGS THAT ALL OF YOUR TELEPHONE
CONVERSATIONS WERE BEING MONITORED AND THAT
SHE HAD COMPLETE TRANSCRIPTS OF THESE. I
BELIEVE THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE IN THE
FIRST PRETRIAL PREPERATION MEETING (OR
CONVERSATION) WHICH TRANSPIRED MORE THAN A
YEAR AGO WHEN I TALKED TO HER PRIVATELY.
ACCORDING TO HER, YOU AND YOUR BROTHER BOBBY
HAD A CONVERSATION EARLY ON IN THE PROCESS
WHEREBY YOU SAID TO HIM THAT YOU SHOULD
HAVE KILLED LITTLE MICHAEL WHILE YOU HAD
THE CHANCE.

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1 SHE MENTIONED THAT THIS COULD BE GROUNDS
2 TO PURSUE AN ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE
3 BUT THAT SHE WAS NOT GOING TO FOLLOW THIS
4 COURSE OF ACTION NOR WAS SHE PLANNING TO
5 USE THIS INFORMATION IN COURT. MARIA WAS
6 ALSO SHOCKED TO HEAR HOW YOU TALKED TO YOUR
7 MOTHER OVER THE PHONE. THIS WAS IN A LATER
8 PHONE CONVERSATION. PUT THESE TOGETHER AND
9 MARIA FEELS THAT YOU ARE A DANGER TO THE
10 FAMILY. THESE WERE HER WORDS. I BELIEVE HER
11 ACTIONS AND COMMENTS WERE MADE TO PAINT A
12 VERY DARK PICTURE OF YOU? NORMAN BRINGS
13 UP JAN. 25, 2014 AND STATES THAT MARIA AGAIN
14 BROUGHT UP THE PHONE, BUT HE DOES NOT GO INTO
15 DETAIL. HE ALSO STATES THAT HIS TESTIMONY
16 WAS CONSISTENT TO THAT WHICH HE TESTIFIED
17 IN FRONT OF JUDGE SULLIVAN IN THE PRELIMINARY
18 HEARING AND THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE MARIA
19 INFLUENCED HIS TESTIMONY, BUT ADDS 'THAT
20 THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT HER
21 INTENTIONS WERE NOT TO DO OTHERWISE. THE
22 DEFENDANTS CONTENTION WOULD BE THAT THE
23 TRANSCRIPTS WERE READ BEFORE THAT TRIAL SO THE
24 WITNESS WAS TAMPERED WITH BEFORE THE PRELIM
25 HEARING SO TO CONTAMINATE THAT TESTIMONY AS WELL.

1 PEOPLE V MARTINEZ, 47 CAL. 4TH 911, 105
2 CAL. RPT. 3d 131, 224 P. 3d 877 (2010)
3 UNDER STATE LAW, PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT
4 IS REVERSIBLE ERROR WHERE THE PROSECUTOR
5 USES "DECEPTIVE OR REPREHENSIBLE METHODS
6 TO PERSUADE EITHER THE COURT OR THE JURY"
7 AND IT IS REASONABLY PROBABLE THAT A RESULT
8 MORE FAVORABLE TO THE DEFENDANT WOULD
9 HAVE BEEN REACHED WITHOUT THE MISCONDUCT.
10 STATE V. GARNER 234 OR. APP. 486, 228 P. 3d 710 (2010)
11 (UNDER THE OREGON CONSTITUTION, RETRIAL FOLLOWING
12 MISTRIAL DUE TO PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS BARRED
13 WHEN (1) THE MISCONDUCT IS SO PREJUDICIAL THAT IT
14 CANNOT BE CURED BY MEANS SHORT OF MISTRIAL
15 (2) THE PROSECUTOR KNEW THAT THE CONDUCT WAS
16 IMPROPER AND PREJUDICIAL (3) THE PROSECUTOR
17 EITHER INTENDED OR WAS INDIFFERENT TO THE
18 RESULTING MISTRIAL.)
19 AGURS, 427 U.S. AT 103, 96 S. CT. 2397
20 THE COURT NOTES THAT A CONVICTION OBTAINED
21 BY THE KNOWING USE OF TAINTED TESTIMONY IS
22 FUNDAMENTALLY UNFAIR, AND MUST BE SET ASIDE,
23 AND NEW TRIAL GRANTED IF THERE IS ANY LIKELIHOOD
24 THAT THE TAINTED TESTIMONY COULD HAVE AFFECTED
25 THE JUDGEMENT OF THE JURY.

IV INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL

'INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL.'

IN THE DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL,
POINTS AND AUTHORITIES I PROCEDURAL

BACKGROUND #4 IS IMPROPERLY WRITTEN. IT SHOULD

READ: 'PRIOR COUNSEL WAS INEFFECTIVE WHEN IN

FORCING THE DEFENDANT TO EITHER GIVE UP HIS

RIGHT TO TESTIFY ON HIS OWN BEHALF OR TO GIVE UP

HIS RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE COUNSEL.' WHEN THE

DEFENDANT INSISTED THAT HE WANTED TO TAKE THE

STAND, ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS, TOLD THE

DEFENDANT "IF YOU TAKE THE STAND, I WILL

ASK YOU TWO YES OR NO QUESTIONS, THEN TURN

YOU OVER TO THE D.A. AND LET HER TEAR YOU

APART." BY STATING THAT HE WILL LET HER TEAR

ME APART, HE WOULD NOT BE GIVING ME EFFECTIVE

COUNSEL IF I TOOK THE STAND. ESSENTIALLY

FORCING ME TO EITHER GIVE UP MY RIGHT TO TAKE

THE STAND AND TESTIFY ON MY OWN BEHALF OR

TO GIVE UP MY RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE COUNSEL ACTING IN

THE ROLE AS AN ADVOCATE. HE DID NOT IMPLY THAT HE WOULD

BE ASKING ONLY TWO YES OR NO QUESTIONS AS A WAY OF

PROVIDING SOUND DEFENSE STRATEGY, BUT INSTEAD AS A

WEAPON TO PREVENT ME FROM TAKING THE STAND

WHICH WAS TAKING AWAY MY RIGHT TO CHOOSE TO TAKE STAND

1 THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE RIGHT AFTER THE
2 DEFENDANT, FIRST READ THE JURY INSTRUCTIONS. FROM THE
3 ONSET THE DEFENDANT WANTED TO TAKE THE STAND. THE
4 DEFENDANT DID NOT TAKE THE STAND AT THE PRELIMINARY
5 HEARING, ALLOWING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER TO INFLUENCE
6 THE DEFENDANT TO NOT TAKE THE STAND. THE DEFENDANT DID
7 NOT WANT TO MAKE THAT MISTAKE AGAIN. I LET JOHN PARRIS
8 KNOW THIS, BUT HE CONTINUALLY TRIED TO GET ME TO NOT TAKE THE
9 STAND. HE ACTUALLY NEVER EVEN ASKED ME MY VERSION OF
10 WHAT TOOK PLACE AND HE NEVER PREPARED FOR ME TO TAKE
11 THE STAND. I WANTED TO TAKE THE STAND TO STATE MY INTENT
12 BELIEVING THAT I WAS THE ONLY PERSON WHO COULD SAY
13 WHAT MY INTENT WAS. JOHN PARRIS TOLD ME THAT
14 INTENT WAS NOT A PART OF THE CRIMES I WAS
15 CHARGED WITH. WHEN THE DEFENDANT READ THE JURY
16 INSTRUCTIONS, WHICH MADE IT CLEAR THAT INTENT WAS
17 AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIMES I WAS CHARGED WITH,
18 I LET JOHN PARRIS KNOW THAT HE COULD NOT TALK
19 ME OUT OF TAKING THE STAND. THAT I WANTED TO TAKE
20 THE STAND TO CLARIFY TO THE JURY WHAT MY INTENT
21 WAS. AT THAT POINT HE MADE THE STATEMENT "IF
22 YOU TAKE THE STAND I WILL ASK YOU TWO YES OR
23 NO QUESTIONS THEN TURN YOU OVER TO THE D.A. AND
24 LET HER TEAR YOU APART."

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1 THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD GRANT
2 THE DEFENDANT A NEW TRIAL ON THIS ACT
3 ALONE. THE DEFENDANT ASSERTS THAT HE
4 WAS FORCED TO EITHER GIVE UP HIS RIGHT TO
5 TESTIFY ON HIS OWN BEHALF OR TO GIVE UP HIS
6 RIGHT TO EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL.
7 DUE TO WHOLLY INADEQUATE ACTIONS OF HIS
8 RETAINED ATTORNEY, FURTHER, COUNSEL'S ACTIONS
9 COMPORT TO NOTHING MORE THAN A VIOLATION
10 OF DEFENDANT'S DUE PROCESS RIGHTS. DEFENDANT
11 HAS AN UNQUALIFIED RIGHT TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE,
12 THAT EXPRESSES LOYALTY TO SAID DEFENDANT.
13 THEREFORE, DEFENDANT CONTENTS THAT ALTHOUGH
14 THE DEFENDANT HAD COUNSEL, THE ACTIONS OF
15 COUNSEL HAVE CREATED UNFAIR PREJUDICE
16 AND OBSTACLES WHICH DO NOT COMPORT
17 THE FAIR PROCEDURES OWED TO THE DEFENDANT.

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1 CUYLER V. SULLIVAN 100 S.Ct. 17-8 (1980)
2 FRAZIER V. U.S. 18 F. 3d 778 (9TH CIR 1994)
3 "THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL IS THE RIGHT ALSO TO
4 EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL."
5 ANDERS V. CALIFORNIA 87 S.Ct. 1396 & 1480 (1967)
6 THUS, THE ADVERSIAL PROCESS PROTECTED BY
7 THE SIXTH AMENDMENT REQUIRES THAT THE
8 ACCUSED HAVE "COUNSEL ACTING IN THE ROLE
9 OF AN ADVOCATE".
10 GALLEGO V. U.S., 174 F. 3d 1196, 1197 (11TH CIR 1999)
11 A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT HAS A FUNDAMENTAL
12 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO TESTIFY IN HIS OR HER
13 OWN BEHALF AT TRIAL. THIS RIGHT IS PERSONAL TO
14 THE DEFENDANT AND CANNOT BE WAIVED EITHER BY
15 THE TRIAL COURT OR BY DEFENSE COUNSEL, WHERE
16 COUNSEL HAS REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE DEFENDANT'S
17 DECISION TO TESTIFY AND REFUSED TO CALL HIM
18 TO THE STAND, OR WHERE DEFENSE COUNSEL
19 NEVER INFORMED THE DEFENDANT OF HIS RIGHT
20 TO TESTIFY AND THAT THE FINAL DECISION BELONGS
21 TO THE DEFENDANT ALONE, DEFENSE COUNSEL
22 HAS NOT ACTED WITHIN THE RANGE OF
23 COMPETENCE DEMANDED OF ATTORNEYS IN
24 CRIMINAL CASES, AND THE DEFENDANT HAS
25 NOT RECEIVED REASONABLY EFFECTIVE
26 ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL.

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1 'INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL' ALSO
2 INCLUDES TWO SEPERATE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.
3 INDEPENDENTLY EACH WOULD BE SUFFICIENT GROUNDS
4 FOR A NEW TRIAL. BOTH CONFLICTS OF INTEREST EXISTED
5 PRIOR TO REPRESENTATION AND BOTH CONFLICTS REQUIRED
6 ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS TO EITHER DECLINE REPRESENTATION OR
7 DEFENDANT GIVE INFORMED CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN
8 WRITING. THE FIRST CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS THAT
9 NORMAN DUPLISSIE, THE LEGAL GUARDIAN OF MICHAEL, AND A
10 WITNESS FOR THE STATE, WAS THE SOURCE FROM WHICH THE
11 ATTORNEY JOHN PARRIS WAS PAID. ALTHOUGH THE DEFENDANT
12 WAS AWARE THAT NORMAN DUPLISSIE PAID JOHN PARRIS TO
13 REPRESENT THE DEFENDANT, THERE WAS NEVER A CONVERSATION
14 BETWEEN THE DEFENDANT ON THIS MATTER, LET ALONE ANY
15 INFORMATION GIVEN TO THE DEFENDANT ABOUT SIGNIFICANT
16 RISKS THAT THIS WOULD ENTAIL. INCLUDING BUT NOT
17 LIMITED TO CROSS-EXAMINATION OF NORMAN DUPLISSIE AND
18 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF MICHAEL ~~AND~~. THE SECOND CONFLICT
19 OF INTEREST IS THAT JOHN PARRIS PREVIOUSLY REPRESENTED
20 FOR 'FREE' THE D.A. MARIA E. LAVELL, WHO IS ASSIGNED TO MY CASE
21 ALTHOUGH THE ATT. PARRIS WAS RETAINED IN LATE JULY 2013
22 WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE JURY TRIAL,
23 AND THE D.A. WAS MARIA LAVELL WHEN HE TOOK THE CASE, HE
24 DID NOT TELL THE DEFENDANT UNTIL 5 MINUTES
25 BEFORE SELECTING THE JURY.

1 COLES V. ARIZONA CHARLES 973 F. Supp. 971, 975
2 (D. NEV 1997)

3 HOLDING THAT ANY DOUBTS AS TO THE EXISTENCE
4 OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST SHOULD BE RESOLVED
5 IN DISQUALIFICATION.

6 U.S. V. SHWAYDER 312 F.3d 1109, 1117 (9TH CIR 2002)

7 (CONCLUDING THAT THE DEFENDANTS WAIVER OF
8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAS NOT VALID WHERE
9 HE WAS NOT ADEQUATELY INFORMED OF THE
10 SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CONFLICTS THAT MIGHT ARISE.

11 CLARK V. STATE 108 NEV 324, 326, 831 P.2d
12 1374, 1376 (1992)

13 (HOLDING THAT AN ACTUAL CONFLICT OF
14 INTEREST WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS A
15 LAWYERS PERFORMANCE WILL RESULT IN A
16 PRESUMPTION OF PREJUDICE TO THE
17 DEFENDANT)

18 RE PUCCINELLI, 67 NEV. 645, 224 P.2d 318 (1959)

19 AN ATTORNEY WHO REPRESENTED BOTH THE
20 PLAINTIFF AND THE DEFENDANT IN A DISTRICT
21 COURT ACTION WITHOUT PRIOR DISCLOSURE
22 OF HIS APPOINTMENT WAS PROPERLY
23 SUSPENDED FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW
24 FOR A PERIOD OF NINE MONTHS.

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1 RYAN V EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF NEVADA,
2 123 NEV. 419, 168 P. 3d 703 (2007)
3 A WAIVER OF CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION ENTAILS
4 THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN IMPORTANT RIGHTS AT TRIAL,
5 ON APPEAL, AND IN POST CONVICTION PROCEEDINGS,
6 INCLUDING WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO SEEK A MISTRIAL
7 BASED ON ANY CONFLICTS ARISING FROM THE DUAL
8 REPRESENTATION. CONSEQUENTLY, WE NOW
9 REQUIRE ATTORNEYS TO ADVISE CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS
10 OF THEIR RIGHT TO CONSULT WITH INDEPENDENT
11 COUNSEL TO ADVISE THEM ON THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT
12 OF INTEREST AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF WAIVING
13 THE RIGHT TO CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION.
14 THE ATTORNEY MUST ADVISE THE CLIENTS TO SEEK
15 THE ADVICE OF INDEPENDENT COUNSEL BEFORE
16 THE ATTORNEY ENGAGES IN THE DUAL REPRESENTATION.
17 IF THE CLIENTS CHOOSE NOT TO SEEK THE ADVICE OF
18 INDEPENDENT COUNSEL, THE CLIENTS MUST EXPRESSLY
19 WAIVE THE RIGHT TO DO SO, BEFORE AGREEING TO ANY WAIVER OF
20 CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION. IF THE ATTORNEY FAILS TO
21 ~~ADVISE~~ ADVISE CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS OF THEIR RIGHT TO SEEK
22 THE ADVICE OF INDEPENDENT COUNSEL, THE CLIENTS WAIVER OF
23 CONFLICT - FREE REPRESENTATION ARE INEFFECTIVE UNLESS AND
24 UNTIL THE ATTORNEY ADVISES THE CLIENTS TO DO.

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1 RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT RULE 1.7
2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST: CURRENT CLIENTS
3 (a) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b), A LAWYER
4 SHALL NOT REPRESENT A CLIENT IF THE REPRESENTATION
5 INVOLVES A CONCURRENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST. A
6 CONCURRENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXISTS IF:
7 (1) THE REPRESENTATION OF ONE CLIENT WILL BE DIRECTLY
8 ANVERSE TO ANOTHER CLIENT;
9 (2) THERE IS SIGNIFICANT RISK THAT THE REPRESENTATION
10 OF ONE OR MORE CLIENTS WILL BE MATERIALLY LIMITED
11 BY THE LAWYER'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO ANOTHE CLIENT,
12 A FORMER CLIENT OR A THIRD PERSON OR BY A
13 PERSONAL INTEREST OF THE LAWYER.
14 (b) NOT WITHSTANDING THE EXISTANCE OF A CONCURRENT
15 CONFLICT OF INTEREST UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) A
16 LAWYER MAY REPRESENT A CLIENT IF: (1) THE LAWYER
17 REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE LAWYER WILL BE ABLE TO
18 PROVIDE COMPETENT AND DILIGENT REPRESENTATION TO EACH AFFECTED
19 CLIENT (2) THE REPRESENTATION IS NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW; (3) THE
20 REPRESENTATION DOES NOT INVOLVE THE ASSERTION OF A CLAIM
21 BY ONE CLIENT AGAINST ANOTHER CLIENT REPRESENTED BY
22 THE LAWYER IN THE SAME LITIGATION OR OTHER PROCEEDING
23 BEFORE A TRIBUNAL; AND (4) EACH
24 AFFECTED CLIENT GIVES INFORMED
25 CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

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1 LOYALTY AND INDEPENDANT JUDGEMENT ARE
2 ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS IN THE LAWYERS RELATIONSHIP
3 TO A CLIENT. A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MAY EXIST BEFORE
4 REPRESENTATION IS UNDERTAKEN, IN WHICH EVENT THE
5 REPRESENTATION MUST BE DECLINED, UNLESS THE LAWYER
6 OBTAINS THE INFORMED CONSENT OF EACH CLIENT UNDER
7 THE CONDITIONS OF PARAGRAPH (b) - INFORMED CONSENT,
8 CONFIRMED IN WRITING, - IGNORANCE CAUSED BY A
9 FAILURE TO INSTITUTE SUCH PROCEDURES WILL NOT
10 EXCUSE A LAWYER'S VIOLATION OF THIS RULE.

11 LOYALTY TO A CURRENT CLIENT PROHIBITS
12 UNDERTAKING REPRESENTATION DIRECTLY ADVERSE
13 TO THAT CLIENT WITHOUT THE CLIENT'S INFORMED
14 CONSENT, CONFIRMED IN WRITING. THUS, ABSENT
15 CONSENT, A LAWYER MAY NOT ACT AS AN ADVOCATE
16 IN ONE MATTER AGAINST A PERSON THE LAWYER
17 REPRESENTS IN SOME OTHER MATTER, EVEN WHEN
18 THE MATTERS ARE WHOLLY UNRELATED. THE CLIENT
19 AS TO WHOM THE REPRESENTATION IS DIRECTLY
20 ADVERSE IS LIKELY TO FEEL BETRAYED, AND THE
21 RESULTING DAMAGE TO THE CLIENT - LAWYER
22 RELATIONSHIP IS LIKELY TO IMPAIR THE LAWYER'S
23 ABILITY TO REPRESENT THE CLIENT
24 EFFECTIVELY.

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1 IN ADDITION, THE CLIENT ON WHOSE BEHALF THE
2 ADVERSE REPRESENTATION IS UNDERTAKEN REASONABLY
3 MAY FEAR THAT THE LAWYER WILL PURSUE THAT CLIENT'S
4 CASE LESS EFFECTIVELY, OUT OF DEFERENCE TO THE
5 OTHER CLIENT, I.E., THAT THE REPRESENTATION MAY BE
6 MATERIALLY LIMITED BY THE LAWYER'S INTEREST
7 IN RETAINING THE CURRENT CLIENT. IN ADDITION
8 TO CONFLICTS WITH OTHER CURRENT CLIENTS,
9 A LAWYER'S DUTIES OF LOYALTY AND INDEPENDENCE
10 MAY BE MATERIALLY LIMITED BY RESPONSIBILITIES
11 TO FORMER CLIENTS. THE LAWYER'S OWN INTERESTS
12 SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO HAVE AN ADVERSE
13 EFFECT ON REPRESENTATION OF A CLIENT.

14 A LAWYER MAY BE PAID FROM A SOURCE OTHER
15 THAN THE CLIENT, INCLUDING A CO-CLIENT, IF
16 THE CLIENT IS INFORMED OF THAT FACT AND THE
17 ARRANGEMENT DOES NOT COMPROMISE THE LAWYER'S
18 DUTY OF LOYALTY OR INDEPENDANT JUDGEMENT TO
19 THE CLIENT. IF ACCEPTANCE OF THE PAYMENT
20 FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE PRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT
21 RISK THAT THE LAWYER'S REPRESENTATION OF THE CLIENT
22 WILL BE MATERIALLY LIMITED BY THE LAWYER'S
23 OWN INTEREST IN ACCOMODATING THE PERSON PAYING
24 THE LAWYER'S FEES OR BY THE LAWYER'S
25 RESPONSIBILITY TO A PAYER WHO IS ALSO A

1 CO-CLIENT, THEN THE LAWYER MUST COMPLY
2 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (b), before
3 ACCEPTING THE REPRESENTING, INCLUDING
4 DETERMINING WHETHER THE CONFLICT IS CONSENTABLE,
5 AND, IF SO, THAT THE CLIENT HAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION
6 ABOUT THE MATERIAL RISKS OF THE REPRESENTATION.
7 INFORMED CONSENT REQUIRES THAT EACH AFFECTED
8 CLIENT BE AWARE OF THE RELEVANT CIRCUMSTANCES AND
9 OF THE MATERIAL AND REASONABLY FORSEEABLE WAYS
10 THAT THE CONFLICT COULD HAVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON
11 THE INTERESTS OF THAT CLIENT PARAGRAPH (b) RULE 1.7
12 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT, REQUIRES THE
13 LAWYER TO OBTAIN THE INFORMED CONSENT OF THE CLIENT,
14 CONFIRMED IN WRITING, THE REQUIREMENTS OF A WRITING
15 DOES NOT SUPPLANT THE NEED IN MOST CASES FOR THE LAWYER
16 TO TALK WITH THE CLIENT, TO EXPLAIN THE RISKS AND ADVANTAGES,
17 IF ANY, OF REPRESENTATION BURDENED WITH A CONFLICT OF
18 INTEREST, AS WELL AS REASONABLY AVAILABLE ALTERNATIVES,
19 AND TO AFFORD THE CLIENT A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 CONSIDER THE RISKS AND ALTERNATIVES AND TO RAISE QUESTIONS
21 AND CONCERNS. RATHER THE WRITING IS REQUIRED IN ORDER
22 TO IMPRESS UPON THE CLIENTS THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE
23 DECISION THE CLIENT IS BEING ASKED TO MAKE AND TO AVOID
24 DISPUTES OR AMBIGUITIES THAT MIGHT LATER
25 OCCUR IN THE ABSENCE OF A WRITING.

1 FURTHERMORE 'INEFFECTIVE COUNSEL BY PRIOR COUNSEL',
2 THE DEFENDANT RECEIVED REPRESENTATION OF A DEFICIENT
3 PERFORMANCE THAT FALLS BELOW AN OBJECTIVE STANDARD OF
4 REASONABLENESS. SOME OF HIS ACTIONS BE INDIVIDUALLY
5 CONSIDERED SUFFICIENT TO CONCLUDE HIS COUNSEL WAS
6 INEFFECTIVE, OTHER ACTIONS OR LACK THERE OF WOULD BE A
7 CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF MULTIPLE ERRORS WHICH VIOLATES A
8 DEFENDANTS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL. THE ATTORNEY
9 JOHN PARRIS DID NOT CONDUCT ADEQUATE PRE-TRIAL INVESTIGATION
10 TO PREPARE A DEFENSE, HE DID NOT LOOK INTO MEDICAL
11 EVIDENCE OR INTERVIEW POTENTIAL WITNESSES, HE DID
12 NOT CROSS EXAMINE WITNESSES, AND HIS CROSS EXAMINATION
13 OF OTHERS WAS VERY LACKING, BASICALLY REPEATING THE
14 QUESTIONS OVER THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY ASKED ALREADY.
15 HIS OPENING STATEMENT WAS TO COMPLIMENT THE STATE
16 ON GIVING A GOOD OPENING STATEMENT AND A DESCRIPTION
17 OF WHAT AN OPENING STATEMENT SHOULD CONTAIN,
18 ~~THE STATE~~ WHICH BY HIS OWN DEFINITION OF A
19 GOOD OPENING STATEMENT HIS WOULD NOT HAVE PASSED AS
20 A GOOD OPENING STATEMENT. FOLLOWED BY AN INSTRUCTION
21 TO THE JURY TO WAIT TO HEAR ALL THE EVIDENCE BEFORE
22 COMING TO A CONCLUSION. YET HIS INTENTION WAS
23 TO NOT PRESENT A DEFENSE. HE DID NOT PREPARE
24 JURY INSTRUCTIONS AND HE DID NOT REQUEST FOR THE
25 JURY TO HAVE THE OPTION OF A LESSER INCLUDED
26 OFFENSE.

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1 BURGEON V STATE, 102 NEV. 43, 714 P.2d 576 (1986)

2 REJECTS THE STATES CLAIM THAT COUNSELS
3 FAILURE TO PRESENT A DEFENSE WAS SOUND STRATEGY.
4 THERE WAS SUFFICIENT ~~WAS~~ EVIDENCE TO PRESENT
5 A DEFENSE.

6 WARNER V STATE, 102 NEV. 635, 729 P.2d 1359 (1986)

7 FAILURE TO CONTACT WITNESSES, INEFFECTIVE
8 ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL WITNESSES NEVER
9 CONTACTED. THE COURT REVERSED AND CONCLUDED
10 THAT TRIAL COUNSEL'S FAILURE TO INVESTIGATE
11 AND LACK OF PREPERATION FOR TRIAL LEFT THE
12 INMATE WITHOUT A DEFENSE AT TRIAL. THE
13 COURT REVERSED THE JUDGEMENT OF CONVICTION
14 AND REMANDED THE CASE FOR A NEW TRIAL.

15 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT RULE 1

16 COMPETENCE: A LAWYER SHALL PROVIDE
17 COMPETENT REPRESENTATION TO A CLIENT.
18 COMPETENT REPRESENTATION REQUIRES THE
19 LEGAL KNOWLEDGE, SKILL, THOROUGHNESS, AND
20 PREPERATION REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR THE
21 REPRESENTATION

22 PROFESSIONAL RULES OF CONDUCT RULE 3

23 DILLIGENCE: LAWYER SHALL ACT WITH REASONABLE
24 DILLIGENCE AND PROMPTNESS IN REPRESENTING
25 A CLIENT.

1 SANBORN V. STATE 107 NEV. 399; 812 p.2d 1279; 1991 NEV. LEX 107

2 SANBORNS OWN TESTIMONY WAS STRONGLY
3 DEVALUED BY THE ABSENCE OF CORROBORATIVE
4 EVIDENCE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN PRESENTED BY
5 DILIGENT AND EFFECTIVE COUNSEL. SANBORN INSISTS
6 THAT BEFORE TRIAL, HE HAD PROVIDED HIS ATTORNEY WITH
7 A LIST OF POTENTIAL WITNESSES WHO WERE PREPARED
8 TO TESTIFY. WE REJECT THE STATE'S CLAIM THAT
9 COUNSELS FAILURE TO PRESENT A DEFENSE WAS
10 A SOUND STRATEGY. SANBORN PRIMARILY
11 EMPHASIZES HIS COUNSELS FAILURE TO CONDUCT
12 ADEQUATE PRE-TRIAL INVESTIGATION AND TO
13 PRESENT TRIAL EVIDENCE. SANBORNS DEFENSE
14 WAS CLEARLY PREJUDICED BY HIS COUNSELS
15 FAILURE TO DEVELOP AND PRESENT EVIDENCE
16 THAT WOULD HAVE CORROBORATED SANBORNS
17 TESTIMONY BECAUSE OF COUNSELS LACK OF
18 DUE DILIGENCE SANBORN WAS DEPRIVED
19 OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TESTIMONY
20 MATERIAL TO HIS DEFENSE.

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1 THE DEFENDANT FIRST MET ATTORNEY
2 JOHN PARRIS ON August 5th 2013. AT THE
3 END OF THE ATTORNEY VISIT, THE ATTORNEY PARRIS TOLD
4 THE DEFENDANT HE WOULD SEE HIM AGAIN IN A COUPLE
5 OF WEEKS. OUTSIDE SEEING THE ATTORNEY IN THE COURT
6 ROOM, THE DEFENDANT DID NOT SEE THE ATTORNEY
7 AGAIN UNTIL 6 MONTHS LATER, LESS THAN A WEEK
8 BEFORE JURY SELECTION AND TRIAL WAS TO BEGIN.
9 AT THE INITIAL CONSULTATION THE ATTORNEY PARRIS WAS INFORMED
10 BY THE DEFENDANT, THAT THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT HAPPY
11 WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY P.D. DAN DENKINS BECAUSE
12 THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD NOT OR DID NOT LOOK INTO
13 THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL CONDITION, ALSO BECAUSE THE
14 PUBLIC DEFENDER SEEMED TO HAVE NOT ENOUGH TIME TO
15 DEDICATE TO THE DEFENDANT CASE TO PROPERLY DEFEND HIM.
16 THE DEFENDANT BRIEFLY EXPLAINED HIS MEDICAL
17 CONDITION AND THE EVENTS OF THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT
18 AND THE PEOPLE WHO COULD VERIFY THIS TO THE ATTORNEY.
19 THE ATTORNEY EXPLAINED TO THE DEFENDANT THAT THE
20 ATTORNEY WOULD LOOK INTO THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND
21 GET BACK WITH THE DEFENDANT ABOUT WHAT THE BEST
22 DEFENSE STRATEGY IS OR THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE AND ALSO
23 DETERMINE IF WE NEEDED TO SEEK EXPERT ANALYSIS.

24 ~~THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT HAPPY WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY P.D. DAN DENKINS BECAUSE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD NOT OR DID NOT LOOK INTO THE DEFENDANTS MEDICAL CONDITION, ALSO BECAUSE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SEEMED TO HAVE NOT ENOUGH TIME TO DEDICATE TO THE DEFENDANT CASE TO PROPERLY DEFEND HIM. THE DEFENDANT BRIEFLY EXPLAINED HIS MEDICAL CONDITION AND THE EVENTS OF THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT AND THE PEOPLE WHO COULD VERIFY THIS TO THE ATTORNEY. THE ATTORNEY EXPLAINED TO THE DEFENDANT THAT THE ATTORNEY WOULD LOOK INTO THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND GET BACK WITH THE DEFENDANT ABOUT WHAT THE BEST DEFENSE STRATEGY IS OR THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE AND ALSO DETERMINE IF WE NEEDED TO SEEK EXPERT ANALYSIS.~~
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1 THIS SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED AS HINDSIGHT
2 BECAUSE THE DEFENDANT WAS IN COMPLETE
3 DISAGREEMENT WITH THE ATTORNEY AS THE EVENTS
4 WERE TAKING PLACE, WHICH INCLUDES DURING
5 THE JURY SELECTION PROCESS, THE OPENING STATEMENT,
6 HIS CROSS EXAMINATION OF NORMAN DUPLISSIE, PATRICIA
7 DUPLISSIE, HIS ASSOCIATES CROSS EXAMINATION OF MICHAEL,
8 HIS LACK OF PREPAREDNESS TO CROSS EXAMINE THE
9 EXPERT WITNESS, WHICH HE CHOOSE NOT TO CROSS
10 EXAMINE, HIS DECISION TO NOT PRESENT OR
11 INTERVIEW ROBERT SCHOFIELD, HIS CHOICE NOT TO
12 LOOK INTO MEDICAL RECORDS, THE ATTORNEY NOT
13 TELLING THE DEFENDANT THAT HE WILL NOT BE
14 PRESENTING A DEFENSE, NOT BRINGING THE
15 DEFENSE CASE FILE WITH HIM TO THE TRIAL, THE
16 ATTORNEY NOT HAVING A CLOSING ARGUMENT
17 STATEMENT PREPARED, HIS ASSOCIATE WRITING
18 IT WHILE THE STATE PRESENTED THEIR ~~STATEMENT~~
19 CLOSING STATEMENT, THE ASSOCIATES UNWILLINGNESS
20 TO OPERATE THE TELEPROMPTER DURING CLOSING
21 ARGUMENT, DECEIVING THE CLIENT ABOUT TRIAL
22 STRATEGY PRIOR TO THE START OF TRIAL, AND
23 ESSENTIALLY LETTING THE DEFENDANT KNOW THAT THE
24 DEFENDANT HAS NO ROLE IN CHOOSING HOW DEFENDANT
25 WILL BE REPRESENTED.

1 THERE HAS BEEN THREE CIRCUMSTANCES IN MY CASE
2 IN WHICH ERRORS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE TRANSFERRING
3 OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE. THEY ARE ① THE
4 STATE CLAIMS TO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A LETTER FROM
5 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE, OR RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS LETTER
6 IN THE EXCHANGE OF DISCOVERY ② THE ATTORNEY JOHN
7 PARRIS DELIVERED TO THE DEFENDANT THE DEFENSE
8 CASE FILE - NOT USING A DELIVERY SERVICE - THE DEFENDANT
9 RECEIVED THE DEFENSE CASE FILE ON MARCH 19, 2014
10 WITH NO POST DATE ATTACHED, THIS FILE IS MISSING
11 NUMEROUS ITEMS THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE
12 DEFENDANT TO HAVE. FOR INSTANCE THE 911 TRANSCRIPT,
13 THE PHONE TRANSCRIPTS THAT THE D.A. READ TO
14 NORMAN DUPLISSIE, EXHIBIT #16, ANY AND ALL POLICE
15 REPORTS OF THE DEFENDANTS PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS
16 WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, ANY WORK WHATSOEVER THAT
17 THE ATTORNEY DID TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEFENSE OF
18 THE DEFENDANT, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS WITH POTENTIAL
19 WITNESSES OR ACTUAL WITNESSES, HIS CONTRIBUTION TO
20 JURY INSTRUCTIONS, ETC. ③ COURT TRANSCRIPTS OF THE
21 JURY SELECTION AND JURY TRIAL NEVER RECEIVED BY
22 THE DEFENDANT. DUE TO THIS THE DEFENDANT DOES NOT
23 FEEL CONFIDENT THAT THE EXHIBITS WILL REACH THEIR
24 DESIRED DESTINATION. FOR THIS REASON THE DEFENDANT
25 WILL BRING THE EXHIBITS TO COURT WITH HIM ON
26 MAY 28, 2014.

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1 THE DEFENDANT HOPES AND PRAYS THAT
2 THE HONORABLE JUDGE WILL CONSIDER
3 THE CIRCUMSTANCES TO THIS CASE AND COME
4 TO THE SAME CONCLUSION THAT THE
5 DEFENDANT HAS, THAT A FAIR TRIAL
6 WAS NOT PREVIOUSLY PRODUCED, AND
7 FOR JUSTICE TO BE PROPERLY SERVED
8 A NEW TRIAL SHOULD BE GRANTED TO
9 THE DEFENDANT.

10 DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF
11 MAY, 2014.

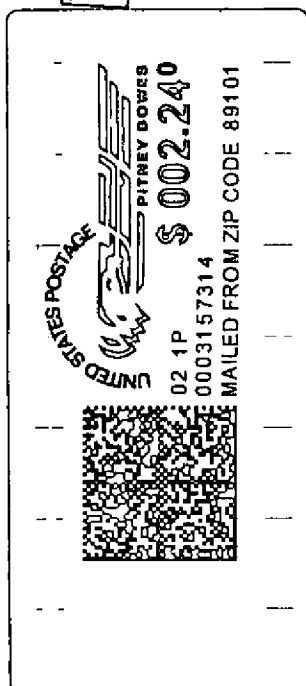
12 I, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, DO
13 SOLEMNLY SWEAR, UNDER THE PENALTY OF
14 PERJURY, THAT THE ABOVE
15 REPLY MOTION IS ACCURATE,
16 CORRECT, AND TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY
17 KNOWLEDGE.

18 NRS 171.102 AND NRS 208.165

19 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
20 Michael J. Schofield
21 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
22 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON
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2 INMATE No. 1679195

3 330 S. CASINO CENTER BLVD

4 LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89101

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6 THE DISTRICT COURT

7 CLARK COUNTY NEVADA

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9 THE STATE OF NEVADA

CASE No. C-13-287009-1

10 PLAINTIFF

DEPT No. 6

11 V.S.

12 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

6-23-14 @ 8:30 am

13 DEFENDANT

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15 MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT

16 COMES NOW DEFENDANT, MICHAEL J.

17 SCHOFIELD, IN PROPER PERSON, AND

18 RESPECTFULLY MOVES THIS HONORABLE COURT TO

19 VACATE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST

20 DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

21 THIS MOTION IS BASED UPON ALL RECORDS

22 AND FILES IN THIS ACTION. POINTS AND AUTHORITIES,

23 AFFIDAVIT OF THE DEFENDANT, AND ANY ARGUMENT

24 ADDUCE AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING OF THIS MOTION

25 *Michael J. Schofield*

26 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

27 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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MAY 30 2014

CLERK OF THE COURT

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1 TO: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DEFENDANT IN
2 PROPER PERSON

3 YOU AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE
4 NOTICE THAT THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BRING
5 THIS MOTION ON FOR HEARING BEFORE THE
6 DISTRICT COURT SEPT 6 ON THE ²³ 9th DAY
7 OF JUNE AT 8:30 O'CLOCK A.M. OF SAID DAY.
8 DATED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY 2014.

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10 Michael Schofield
11 MICHAEL S. SCHOFIELD
12 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON
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14 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

15 IT IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED OF THIS COURT
16 TO GRANT THIS MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT OF
17 GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING FOR THE
18 REASONS LISTED BELOW:

19 1. INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE. THE STATE DID NOT
20 PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT EVERY
21 ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

22 2. JURY INSTRUCTIONS WERE ERRONEOUS.

23 3. PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT.

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POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE. THE STATE DID

NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT EVERY

ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. THE

BURDEN OF PROVING EVERY ELEMENT OF THE

CRIME CHARGED IS PLACED UPON THE STATE.

THE STATE DID NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE

DOUBT THAT THE DEFENDANT TOOK WITH THE

INTENT TO KEEP HIS SON, MICHAEL JOSHUA

SCHOFIELD. IN PROVING FIRST DEGREE

KIDNAPPING IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO PROVE THAT

THE DEFENDANT'S INTENTION WAS TO TAKE

HIS SON. IN FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING IT

MUST BE PROVED THAT THE DEFENDANT'S

INTENTION WAS TO TAKE HIS SON, COMBINED

WITH THE INTENTION TO KEEP HIS SON. THIS

BEING THE CASE THE STATE DID NOT PROVE

BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE

DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF EVERY ELEMENT

OF THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

THEREFORE THE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST

DEGREE KIDNAPPING SHOULD BE VACATED

BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE.

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1 2. JURY INSTRUCTIONS WERE ERRONEOUS.
2 JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER 11 READS: 'IT IS THE
3 FACT, NOT THE DISTANCE, OF FORCEBLE MOVEMENT
4 OF THE VICTIM THAT CONSTITUTES KIDNAPPING.'
5 THIS JURY INSTRUCTION HELPS FURTHER DEFINE
6 KIDNAPPING. YET IT DOES NOT DEFINE FIRST
7 DEGREE KIDNAPPING. D.A. LAVELL, IN THE FINAL
8 CLOSING ARGUMENT GIVEN BY THE STATE ON FRIDAY
9 JANUARY 31, 2014 REFERS TO THIS JURY INSTRUCTION
10 NUMBER 11, ON PAGE 235 LINE 13 THRU LINE 20 OF
11 THE COURT TRANSCRIPTS. BEYOND REFERRING TO THE
12 JURY INSTRUCTION AS A STATUE, THE D.A. STATES:
13 "YOU WILL HAVE A JURY INSTRUCTION THAT SAYS
14 DISTANCE IS IRRELEVANT. AND NOTHING IN THE
15 STATUE SAYS THAT HE HAD TO PERMANETLY
16 KEEP HIM. IF HE HAD TAKEN HIM TO THE STORE
17 AND BROUGHT HIM BACK, GUESS WHAT? HE STILL
18 KIDNAPPED THAT KID." IN THAT THE D.A.
19 REFERRED TO THE JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER 11
20 NOT SAYING ANYTHING ABOUT INTENT TO KEEP,
21 IT WOULD THEN BE UNDERSTOOD THAT JURY
22 INSTRUCTION NUMBER 11 WAS PLACED IN THE JURY
23 INSTRUCTIONS TO DESCRIBE FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
24 AND BEING THAT IT IS MISSING AN ELEMENT OF FIRST
25 DEGREE KIDNAPPING, THE JURY INSTRUCTION
26 NUMBER 11 IS CONSIDERED ERRONEOUS.

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1 THE D.A. EXPLAINS TO THE JURY THAT, "IF THE DEFENDANT
2 HAD TAKEN HIS SON TO THE STORE AND BROUGHT HIS SON BACK,
3 HE STILL KIDNAPPED HIS SON." AND THEN THE D.A. STATES: "I
4 ASK YOU TO FOLLOW THE LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO KIDNAPPING."
5 WHICH AGAIN THE D.A. IS ASKING THE JURY TO DETERMINE
6 GUILTY OR NOT GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING. BEING THAT THE D.A.
7 USED LANGUAGE CONSISTENT WITH THE LANGUAGE USED IN
8 JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN, WHICH IS 'KIDNAPPING'
9 INSTEAD OF 'FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING' IN JURY INSTRUCTION
10 NUMBER ELEVEN 'THAT WHICH CONSTITUTES KIDNAPPING', IN
11 THE D.A. CLOSING ARGUMENT 'I ASK YOU TO FOLLOW THE
12 LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO KIDNAPPING'. THIS FURTHER HELPS
13 MAKE JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN ERRONEOUS.
14 BY MAKING THE INTENT TO KEEP AFTER TAKING HIS SON
15 IRRELEVANT IN ITS DEFINITION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES
16 KIDNAPPING, AND THE D.A. USING JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER
17 ELEVEN TO DETERMINE GUILT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
18 JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN IS THEN ERRONEOUS.
19 THE DEFENDANT IS CHARGED WITH AND HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY
20 OF FIRST DEGREE ^{KIDNAP} IN WHICH INTENT TO KEEP AFTER TAKING
21 IS AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIME AND THAT NOT ONLY JURY INSTRUCTION
22 NUMBER ELEVEN OMITTS THIS ELEMENT, BUT THE D.A. REFERS TO
23 THIS JURY INSTRUCTION IN HER FINAL ARGUMENT AND EVEN GOES SO
24 FAR AS TO SAY ACCORDING TO THIS JURY INSTRUCTION, TO KEEP
25 IS NOT AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIME COMMITTED. BASED ON
26 THIS THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD VACATE THE VERDICT OF
27 GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

3. PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT

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1 PHONE CALL THAT MS. ANTHONY REFERS TO AS,
2 PATRICIA DUPLISSIE IN THE PHONE CALL STATING
3 THAT SHE TOLD THE DEFENDANT THAT MICHAEL
4 JOSHUA SHOULD NOT GO WITH THE DEFENDANT AGAIN
5 MISREPRESENTED THE ~~THE~~ LEGAL GUARDIAN.
6 BECAUSE IN THAT PHONE CALL, PARICIA DUPLISSIE.
7 STATES 'I TOLD HIM NOT TO GO AT FIRST.'
8 BY NOT MENTIONING THIS THE D.A. MISREPRESENTED,
9 THE MEANING OF HER COMMENT. MS. ANTHONY
10 ALSO MADE MULTIPLE COMMENTS ABOUT THE
11 LEGAL GUARDIAN, PATRICIA DUPLISSIE GIVING FALSE
12 TESTIMONY ABOUT DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT THAT
13 PATRICIA WITNESSED OR DID NOT WITNESS. THE
14 TWO OFFICERS BOTH PLACED PATRICIA BY THE FRONT
15 DOOR UPON THEIR ARRIVAL AND NORMAN AND
16 THE TWO MICHAELS BY THE DRIVEWAY, WHICH CAN
17 NOT BE SEEN BY THE FRONT DOOR, ALSO NORMAN
18 'CUTE LITTLE NORMAN', HAD TESTIFIED THAT HE PUT
19 THE DOG IN ITS CAGE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE
20 INCIDENT, AND THE CAGE IS VERY NEAR THE FRONT
21 DOOR. THE DOG CAN CLEARLY BE HEARD BARKING
22 WHICH APPEARS TO BE CLOSER TO THE PERSON ON
23 THE PHONE THEN THE PEOPLE YELLING. MS. ANTHONY
24 ALSO ALTERS THE MEANING OF FIRST DEGREE
25 KIDNAPPING. ON PAGE 201 OF THE TRANSCRIPT
26 SHE BREAKS DOWN NRS 200.301 (1) THEN ALTERS
27 IT BY STATING ON LINE 24. "SO HOW DO YOU KNOW

1 THAT THE DEFENDANT INTENDED TO TAKE, WHICH
2 IS NOT PART OF NRS 200.301(1) OR JURY
3 INSTRUCTION NUMBER TEN. EVEN THE SHORT
4 VERSION OF NRS 200.301(1) WHICH THE STATE
5 USED IN THE JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER TEN,
6 WHICH ADDS A LINE TO THE STATUTE THAT IS NOT PART
7 OF IT, 'KIDNAPPING DOES NOT REQUIRE FORCE'.
8 THE JURY INSTRUCTION AND THE NRS FOR FIRST
9 DEGREE KIDNAPPING DO NOT SAY INTENDED TO
10 TAKE, BUT SAY TAKE WITH THE INTENT TO KEEP.
11 THE SECOND CLOSING ARGUMENT GOES EVEN FARTHER
12 IN STATING THAT INTENT TO KEEP IS NOT A PART
13 OF THE CRIME. THE D.A. LAVELL EVEN USES A
14 DESCRIPTION OF ANOTHER 'EXAMPLE' OF A KIDNAP
15 SCENARIO WHICH ALSO DOES NOT DESCRIBE A
16 FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING SCENE. D.A. LAVELL
17 ALSO ATTACKED THE DEFENDANT IN HER CLOSING ABOUT
18 BEING OUT OF CONTROL THAT HE HAS A HORRIFIC
19 TEMPER WHICH SHE REPEATED TWICE. YET NOT
20 ANOTHER PERSON AT THE SCENE WOULD SAY THAT
21 THE DEFENDANT ATTACKED ANY OF THEM
22 PHYSICALLY. THE DEFENDANT WAS, AS THE POLICE
23 OFFICER WHO ARRIVED ON THE SCENE RESISTING
24 BUT NOT TO THE POINT OF GETTING A RESISTING
25 ARREST CHARGE, THAT THE PHYSICAL ALTERCATION
26 HAD CEASED BEFORE HER ARRIVAL AND THE
27 MALE OFFICER NEIGHBOR SAID THAT THE DEFENDANT

1 WAS NEVER TOOK TO THE GROUND. THE PROSECUTORS
2 COMMENTS WERE IMPROPER AND A FLAGRANT
3 ATTEMPT TO INFLAME PASSION AND PREJUDICE.
4 ESPECIALLY BRINGING UP INCIDENTS WHICH WERE
5 NOT PART OF THE INCIDENT AND WERE THEIR
6 WERE NO CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST THE
7 DEFENDANT. THE HONORABLE JUDGE DID NOT
8 GIVE THE DEFENDANT A CONTEMPT OF COURT
9 CHARGE FOR HIS ACTIONS DURING TRIAL NOR DID THE
10 DEFENDANT RECEIVE CHARGES FOR BEING PUT
11 IN A RESTRAINING DEVICE AT C.C.D.C.

12 II ARGUMENT

13 BURKHART V STATE 107 NEV. 797, 820 P. 2d 757,
14 1991 LEXIS 173 (1991) THERE WAS NO TESTIMONY
15 WHICH WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THE JURY TO INFER
16 WHAT THE DEFENDENT INTENDED TO DO WITH THE VICTIM.

17 COBB V POZZI 363 F. 3d 89, 116 (2d CIR 2004)
18 AN ERRONEOUS JURY INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRES
19 REVERSAL ON APPEAL UNLESS THE ERROR IS HARMLESS.

20 JOHNSON V. U.S. 520 U.S. 461, 466-67, 117 S. Ct. 1544 (1997)
21 (EXPLAINING ERRORS CAN BE CORRECTED WHEN
22 THERE IS (1) ERROR (2) THAT IS PLAIN (3) THAT AFFECTS
23 SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS (4) SERIOUSLY AFFECTS THE
24 FAIRNESS, ~~INTEGRITY~~ INTEGRITY OR PUBLIC REPUTATION
25 OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDING).
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1 PEOPLE V. MARTINEZ, 47 CAL. 4TH 911, 105 CAL.
2 Rptr. 3d 131, 224 P. 3d 877 (2010) UNDER
3 STATE LAW, PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS
4 REVERSIBLE ERROR WHERE THE PROSECUTOR USES
5 "DECEPTIVE OR REPREHENSIBLE METHODS TO
6 PERSUADE EITHER THE COURT OR THE JURY" AND
7 IT IS REASONABLE PROBABLE THAT A RESULT MORE
8 FAVORABLE TO THE DEFENDANT WOULD HAVE BEEN
9 REACHED WITHOUT THE MISCONDUCT.
10 (UNITED STATES V. CARTER, 236 F. 3d 777
11 (6TH CIR. 2001) PROSECUTOR DURING CLOSING
12 ARGUMENT MISREPRESENTED WITNESS TESTIMONY.
13 ANTHONY V. UNITED STATES, 935A. 2d 275 (D.C. App. 2007)
14 (WHEN THE PROSECUTOR ARGUED FALSELY THAT A
15 WITNESS HAD STATED A FACT CRUCIAL TO CONVICTION.
16 SMITH V. COMMONWEALTH, 40 VA. App 595, 580 S.E.
17 2d 481 (2003) PROSECUTOR IMPROPER AND
18 FLAGRANT ATTEMPT TO INFLAME PASSION AND PREJUDICE.
19 UNITED STATES V. MOORE, 651 F. 3d 30 (D.C. CIR 2011)
20 AS THE DISTRICT COURT OBSERVED, "A PROSECUTOR MAY
21 NOT TAKE ARTISTIC LICENSE WITH THE TRIAL EVIDENCE,
22 CONSTRUCT A MORE DRAMATIC VERSION OF THE EVENTS,
23 PROVIDE CONJECTURE ABOUT A VICTIM'S STATE OF MIND, AND THEN
24 DEFEND AGAINST A PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT CLAIM BY
25 MAINTAINING THE STATEMENTS ARE 'FACT-BASED'.
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1 SPICER V. ROSSETTI, 150 F.3d 642, 644 (7TH CIR. 1998)
2 ("JUST AS COUNSEL MAY NOT EXPRESS HIS BELIEFS
3 REGARDING THE HONESTY OF THE OPPOSING PARTY'S
4 WITNESSES... HE MAY NOT EXPRESS HIS BELIEFS
5 REGARDING OPPOSING COUNSEL'S OPINION OF HONESTY
6 MOSES V. UNION PACIFIC R.R., 64 FED 3d 413 (8TH CIR 1995)
7 IT IS IMPROPER TO ARGUE YOUR PERSONAL BELIEFS
8 ABOUT THE HONESTY OF WITNESSES, THOUGH YOU MAY
9 ARGUE THAT THE EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT PARTICULAR
10 WITNESSES ARE CREDIBLE OR INCREDIBLE. YOU MAY
11 NOT APPEAL TO THE JURY'S SYMPATHY, PREJUDICE,
12 OR PASSION.
13 REEL V. PHILADELPHIA, BETHLEHEM & NEW ENGLAND
14 R.R. CO., 939 F.2d 128, 133-34 (3RD CIR. 1991)
15 ("THE REMARKS OF COUNSEL (ARE) REQUIRED TO BE
16 CONFINED TO THE EVIDENCE ADMITTED IN THE CASE.
17 REVERSIBLE ERROR IS COMMITTED WHEN COUNSEL'S
18 CLOSING ARGUMENT TO THE JURY INTRODUCES
19 EXTRANEOUS MATTER THAT HAS A REASONABLE
20 PROBABILITY OF INFLUENCING THE VERDICT."
21 STATE V. GARNER 234 OR. APP. 486, 228 P.3d 710 (2010)
22 (UNDER THE OREGON CONSTITUTION, RETRIAL FOLLOWING MISTRIAL DUE
23 TO PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS BARRED WHEN (1) THE MISCONDUCT
24 IS SO PREJUDICIAL THAT IT CANNOT BE CURED BY MEANS SHORT
25 OF MISTRIAL; (2) THE PROSECUTOR KNEW THAT THE CONDUCT WAS
26 IMPROPER AND PREJUDICIAL (3) THE PROSECUTOR EITHER INTENDED
27 OR WAS INDIFFERENT TO THE RESULTING MISTRIAL)

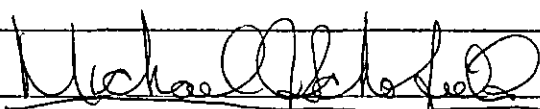
1 FURTHERMORE, THE D.A. DECLINED KNOWLEDGE OF
2 MEDICAL CONDITIONS OF THE DEFENDANT AND RECEIVING A
3 LETTER THAT NOT ONLY TOUCHED UPON THAT ISSUE BUT ALSO
4 EXPRESSED THE DESIRE OF PATRICIA DUPLISSIES TO SEE
5 HER SON THE DEFENDANT PUNISHED FOR THE CRIME(S)
6 SHE BELIEVED HE COMMITTED ON HER GRANDSON. THE
7 D.A. ALSO CLAIMED TO HAVE LISTENED TO HUNDREDS OF HOURS
8 OF PHONE CALLS AND COULD ONLY USE THE FIRST
9 COUPLE OF DAYS IN JAIL AS ANY SORT OF EVIDENCE. THE
10 D.A. THRU HEARING THESE PHONE CALLS MUST OF HAVE HEARD
11 THE DEFENDANTS SON WHO IS THE VICTIM CRYING TO
12 THE DEFENDANT THAT HE MISSES HIM. THE TWO MICHAELS
13 PUTTING THIS BEHIND THEM AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, THE
14 D.A. HAD NO RIGHT TO SAY THAT THE LOVE AND FORGIVENESS
15 THAT THEY SHARE IS IRRELEVANT. AND THE D.A. S HAD
16 NO RIGHT TO SPEAK FOR THE FAMILY OF THE DEFENDANT
17 AND WHAT THEIR THOUGHTS WERE ON JANUARY 6, 2013
18 AND FOLLOWING THAT DAY. THE D.A. MISREPRESENTED
19 THE VICTIM'S GRANDMOTHER IN THEIR CLOSING WHEN THEY
20 STATED SHE IS TRYING TO PROTECT THE DEFENDANT AND
21 NOT THE GRANDSON, WHEN THE VICTIM'S GRANDMOTHER
22 HAS DEDICATED HER RETIREMENT YEARS TO RAISING
23 HIM AND WHO CALLED 911 TO PROTECT THE GRANDSON
24 FROM WHAT SHE THOUGHT WAS IMPROPER PHYSICAL
25 DISCIPLINARY REACTION BY HER OWN SON. SHE HAS
26 NOT SHYED AWAY FROM DISAGREEING WITH HER SON
27 ON RECORDED PHONE CALLS ABOUT LETTING THE

DEFENDANT KNOW THAT SHE BELIEVED THE DEFENDANT SHOULD BE PUNISHED FOR GOING TO FAR AND TURNING PUNISHMENT INTO ABUSE. SHE HAS ALSO LET THE DEFENDANT KNOW THAT JUST BECAUSE SHE GAVE HIM PERMISSION TO TAKE THE GRANDSON TO THE STORE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU DID NOT DO ANYTHING WRONG. AND BELIEVES THE DEFENDANT HAS NO ONE ELSE TO BLAME FOR THE MESS HE IS IN. THIS EVENT HAS TORE OUR FAMILY APART. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE OR THE D.A. ON THIS CASE SHOULD NOT TRY TO SAY THAT THEY ARE REPRESENTING THE VICTIM OR THE VICTIMS LEGAL GUARDIANS. ALL FOUR OF THE WITNESSES DO NOT BELIEVE THE DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING. ALL 4 BELIEVE THE DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF CHILD ABUSE. I DO NOT SEE HOW THE COURT COULD, AFTER LISTENING TO HOW THE D.A. MANIPULATED THE LAW, TO CONVINCE A JURY WHO IS NOT PRACTICED IN LAW ALLOW THE VERDICT OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING^{TO} STAND. I HOPE AND PRAY THAT YOUR HONORABLE JUDGE WILL CONSIDER THE SHORTCOMINGS THAT EXIST IN THE STATES BURDEN TO PROVE EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME CHARGED WHICH IS FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING AND CONCLUDE THAT JUSTICE WOULD BE PROPERLY SERVED WITH A BETTER RESOLUTION THAN HAS OCCURRED.

1 THE STATE WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO
2 PRESENT A FAIR TRIAL BUT INSTEAD USE DECEPTIVE
3 METHODS TO PROVE THEIR CASE. IN MISUSING JURY
4 INSTRUCTIONS IMPROPERLY MAKING SAID JURY INSTRUCTION
5 ERRONEOUS. AND IN NOT SHOWING ANY EVIDENCE TO PROVE
6 BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE DEFENDANTS INTENT
7 WAS TO KEEP MICHAEL JOSHUA SCHOFIELD AFTER TAKING
8 HIM THE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
9 SHOULD BE VACATED BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE. I HOPE
10 AND PRAY THIS MOTION WILL BE HEARD.
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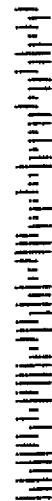
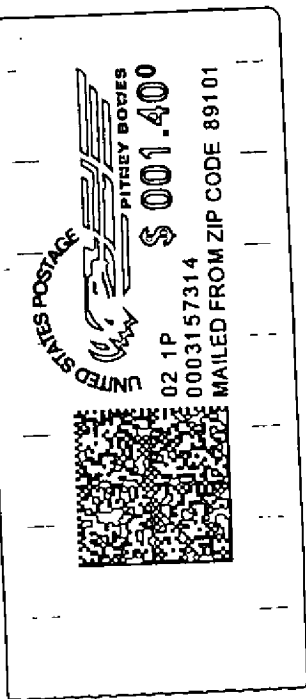
12 DATED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY, 2014.
13 I MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR,
14 UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT THE ABOVE
15 MOTION IS ACCURATE, CORRECT, AND TRUE TO THE
16 BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
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18 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

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21 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
22 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON
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MICHAEL D. SCHOFIELDS #1679195
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LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89101

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DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

CASE No. C-13-287009-1

STATE OF NEVADA

DEPT No. 6

PLAINTIFF

DOCKET No. -

VS

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

DEFENDANT

DATED JUNE 5, 2014

DEFENDANTS AMENDMENT II TO MOTION
FOR NEW TRIAL

COMES NOW DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

AND HEREBY SUBMITS THE ATTACHED EXHIBITS

TO SUPPORT THE DEFENDANTS MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL,

DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION, DEFENDANTS

ADDENDUM REPLY.

Michael J. Schofield

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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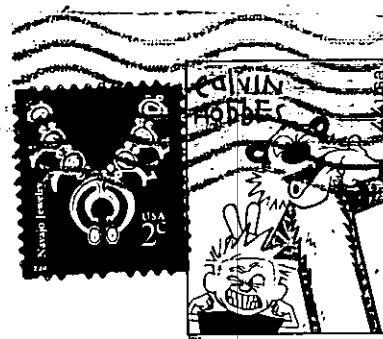
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COPY OF
LETTER TO
THE D.A.

Dan J.

Clark County Public Defender
309 South 3rd Street
2nd floor
Las Vegas, NV 89155

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Don Jenkins

EXHIBIT A

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(702) 837-2576

Clark County Public Defender
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Las Vegas, NV 89155

Attn: Dan Jenkins

Re: Michael John Schofield
Case #13F00320X/C287009

May 1st 2013

Dear Mr. Jenkins

I am writing this letter in order to share my feelings on the above mentioned case as well as to render clarification on a few points which I understand came before the court in the most recent session.

I certainly understand the severity of the crime committed and expect my son Michael John Schofield to be held responsible for his actions. The domestic battery and the child abuse charges were witnessed by family members and these are fully supported as being appropriate. However, we fail to understand the charge of burglary in the 1st degree and the charge of kidnapping in the 1st degree.

Since Michael was voluntarily allowed into our home on 1/6/2013 we see no reason for the burglary charge. He did not force his way in nor did he threaten anyone in the household in any manner upon entry. We believe this charge should be dropped.

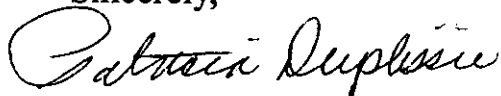
With regard to the kidnapping charge in the first degree I feel that this was more of a disciplinary action on the part of the father (Michael John) toward his son (Michael Joshua) rather than a kidnapping. It is true that the son did not wish to accompany his father to Wal-Mart and that the father was too violent in attempting to accomplish this. There was no weapon involved and the understanding I have is that if Michael Joshua did accompany his father that they would return in a short period of time. For these reasons I believe that kidnapping in the 1st degree should be dropped or at least reduced to a 2nd degree status.

It was alleged in court that Michael John had an assigned day each week where he was allowed to visit with Michael Joshua. This is not true. Since we assumed guardianship of Michael Joshua in 2001 we have tried our best to maintain a normal relationship between father and son insofar as possible. We felt that as long as the father was not impaired that he could see his son on a request basis.

In recent months before the incident on 1/6/2013, Michael John (father) had incurred several medical incidents which required hospitalization. On one incident he was diagnosed with having seizures which required medication. It is my understanding that this situation was supported by the medical staff at the Detention Center and in fact he has been housed in the Psychiatric Ward. You may wish to review this situation and determine if diminished mental capacity may be an issue in this case.

I believe we all wish to see justice done in this matter. Hopefully the above information may be helpful to you in accomplishing this goal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patricia Duplissie".

Patricia Duplissie



EXHIBIT B

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

DISCOVERY DIVISION
DA ADMINISTRATION

CLARK COUNTY
District Attorney

REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY

DISCOVERY INFORMATION

Request Date: _____ Clerk's Initials: _____

Juvenile/eFile pages @ \$.25 ea _____

of Pages hard copy @ \$.50 ea 44 Date: 11/11/11 Case #: 1111111

Duplication of Video/CD/Tapes/Disk @ \$25.00 ea 1 Printed Pictures @ \$1.00 ea _____

Defendant: JOHN L. SMITH Dept: XXI Next Court Date: _____

Amount Due: 7.00 Bates Stamp: _____ to _____

- ☐ APPOINTED COUNSEL
- ☐ RETAINED COUNSEL
- ☐ PUBLIC DEFENDER/SPECIAL PUB DEF
- ☐ PRO PER

ATTORNEY INFORMATION

email address: _____

Bar #: _____ Name: JOHN L. SMITH Phone: _____

Signature: [Signature] Date: 11/11/11

PROMISE OF RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY

I am the attorney for the named Defendant. In executing this request for discovery, I acknowledge receipt of the discovery provided by the State and the State's Request for Discovery and promise to comply with all requirements of NRS 174.089 and 174.295.

Payment For Copies: Make all checks payable to: **CLARK COUNTY TREASURER.**

Remit To: District Attorney's Office, 200 Lewis Ave 3rd Floor, ATTN: Discovery, Las Vegas, NV 89155-2212. Upon signing, in consideration of the copying services provided, Attorney agrees to be liable for the above costs and for such other costs for copies provided in this case, notwithstanding any right of Attorney to collect such costs from Defendant or Third Parties. Attorneys who do not accept this liability must make arrangements to pre-pay or copy discovery at the Office of the District Attorney under supervision upon their own portable copiers.

DISCOVERY PROVIDED BY STATE

The State has provided written or recorded statements or confessions made by the Defendant, any written or recorded statements made by any witness, results of physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests or experiments in connection with the case which are within the possession or custody of the prosecuting attorney. Additional discovery will be furnished when available pursuant to NRS 174.295. It may be obtained at the 3rd floor reception area of the Office of the District Attorney. Prior to any trial, it is the responsibility of defense counsel to make an appointment with the Deputy District Attorney assigned to prosecute this case to verify that all available discovery materials have been provided. The parties agree that, pursuant to NRS 174.234 (1) and (2), the attached documents constitute service and filing of the Notice of Witnesses required by said statute. Please note that the address of any witness employed by the LVMPD is 400 S. Martin Luther King Blvd, LV, NV 89101. The address of the NHP is 4615 West Sunset Rd, LV, NV 89112

STATE'S REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY

Defendant agrees to accept this document as constituting a sufficient request for discovery under NRS 174.245 in compliance with NRS 174.285. Pursuant to NRS 174.245, the State hereby requests that the Defendant provide to the Office of the District Attorney to inspect and copy or photograph any: (a) written or recorded statement made by any witness within the possession, custody or control of the Defendant or Defendant's counsel, the existence of which is known, or by the exercise of due diligence may become known, to the Defendant or Defendant's counsel; and (b) results or reports of physical or mental examinations, and of scientific tests or experiments made in connection with the particular case, or copies thereof, within the possession, custody or control of the Defendant or Defendant's counsel, and (c) books, papers, documents, tangible objects, or copies of portion thereof, that Defendant intends to introduce into evidence as set forth in NRS 174.245. The Defendant agrees to provide such documents within 30 days of receiving the attached documents or 30 days prior to trial (whichever is sooner) and provides additional documents as they become available pursuant to NRS 174.295.

EXHIBIT C

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MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
Inmate No. 1679195
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Las Vegas, NV 89101
Defendant in Proper Person

JOHN PARRIS ESQ

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(702) 382-0905

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF NEVADA

John A. Parrish
CLERK OF THE COURT

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD,

Defendant.

Case No. 13-287009-1
Dept No. 21

CASE NO C-13-287009-1

HD: August 13, 2013

Time: 9:30 AM

MOTION TO DISMISS COUNSEL AND
APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE COUNSEL

COMES NOW Defendant, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, in Proper Person, and respectfully moves this honorable court to appoint other counsel to represent this Defendant.

This Motion is based upon all the records and files in this action, Points and Authorities, Affidavit of the Defendant, and any argument adduced at the time of hearing of this Motion.

Michael J. Schofield
MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
Defendant in Proper Person

NEVADA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE
RULE 4(A)(7) (AVOIDING 250 FILING FEE)

RULE 4(B)(1)(A) 30 DAYS TO FILE

AMENDED NOT OF APPEAL

RULE 4(B)(5)(B) 20 DAYS TO FILE


FORM 1 IN THE APPENDIX OF FORMS IS
SUGGESTED FORM OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL
RULE 4(B)(3)

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3 NOTICE OF MOTION

4 TO: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, Defendant in Proper Person

5 YOU AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will
6 bring this MOTION on for hearing before the District Court Dept. ~~XXI~~ on the 13 day of Aug.
7 2013, at 9:30 o'clock a.m./p.m. of said day.

8 DATED this 19 day of July, 2013.

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12 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
13 Defendant in Proper Person

14 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

15 It is respectfully requested of this court to grant this motion to dismiss counsel for the reasons
16 listed below:

- 17 1. Defendant has not had reasonable contact with the appointed attorney.
18 2. Counsel spoke with defendant in jail only once, for 15 minutes, and did not appear at the
19 first hearing. He send someone else to ask for a continuance.
20 3. He refused to allow Defendant to testify at the preliminary hearing.
21 4. He fails and refuses to return phone calls.
22 5. Defendant has a history of seizures - and even had a medical episode. Defendant
23 requested his attorney address this issue, as it relates to his defense, and he failed to address
24 Defendant's medical history at all. He did not contact relatives, or even name Defendant's mother
25 as a witness, and she was present during the alleged incident that resulted in these charges.

26 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

27 I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

28 Since the Public Defender, Dan Jenkins, was appointed counsel on or about March, 2013,
Defendant has been prejudiced and suffered manifest injustice based on counsel's refusal or failure
to:

1. Communicate and/or visit with said Defendant at the Clark County Detention Center.

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2. Investigate, as to client's oral/written requests any defense that may help to mitigate or reduce his sentence.

3. Talk to Defendant at any length as to Defendant's feelings, and Defendant fears he will be forced to take a plea because the public defender is not prepared. He did not appear at the first hearing (arraignment); nor the second. He has only accomplished a continuance in this matter.

4. Thoroughly take investigative measures in this case, and subsequently not using all available resources to assist in obtaining a fair trial - at which Defendant believes the charges should be dismissed.

II. ARGUMENT

Defendant asserts he is being denied his right to effective representation due to wholly inadequate actions of his court appointed counsel. Further, counsel's innate action comport to nothing more than a violation of defendant's due process rights.

Counsel has not returned any of the Defendant's phone calls; Defendant has left numerous messages with voice mail, secretary and/or office clerks. Witnesses have not been interviewed.

Defendant has an unqualified right to legal assistance that expresses loyalty to said defendant. "The right to counsel is the right [also] to effective assistance fo counsel." Cuvler v. Sullivan 100 S.Ct. 17-8 (1980); and Frazier v. U.S. 18 F. 3d 778 (9th Cir. 1994)! Thus, the adversarial process protected by the sixth amendment requires that the accused have "counsel acting in the role of an advocate." Anders v. California, 87 S.Ct. 1396 & 1480 (1967).

A party whose counsel is unable to provide effective or adequate assistance is no better than one who has no counsel at all; and any appeal(s) would be futile in its gesture. Evitts v. Lucey 105 S.Ct. 830 (1985); Douglas v. California, 83 S.Ct 814 (1963).

Therefore, Defendant contends that although counsel has been appointed in this case, the actions of counse, or lack thereof, have created unfair prejudice and obstacles which do not comport the fair procedures owed to the defendant.

The plurality opinion in Evitts and Douglas, infra, made it very clear that:

"There is lacking that equality demanded by the fourteenth amendment, where the "rich man" enjoys the benefit of the law being righteously practiced; in that, counsels' examination step-by-step

1 (into the record of the case), and research of the law, and a marshaling of the facts, arguments in his
2 behalf is done as should befit an advocate of defense; while the indigent, so burdened by a
3 preliminary determination that his case is without merit, is forced to shift for himself." 105 S.Ct. At
4 842; 83 S.Ct at 816-17.


5 Notwithstanding the strong policy favoring autonomy, "ethical, professional and
6 constitutional principals" establish counsel's standards owed to his client. See: American Bar
7 Association (ABA), and Professional Responsibility Code (CPR).

8 So, clearly, a conflict of interest now exist between counsel/client (defendant), as all faith and
9 trust has been diminished as a result of counsel's actions or lack thereof, and a "showing" of conflict
10 of interest requires no showing of prejudice. Cuyler v. Sullivan, 100 S.Ct., at 1717.

11 The law addresses itself to actualities. Adjudication is not a mere mechanical process, nor
12 does it compel either (or determination) Griffin v. Illinois, 76 S.Ct. 585 592-594 (1956).

13 Therefore, fundamental fairness requires the abolition of prejudice which defendant is
14 presently suffering. This is an actuality that the law must address. Anything short of abdication
15 would further a manifest of injustice. The "effectiveness (in assistance) of counsel" is an
16 individual's most fundamental right, for without it, every other right Defendant has to asset become
17 affected.

18 Dated this 9 day of July, 2013.

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II Newly Discovered EVIDENCE

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EXHIBIT E

DISCHARGE

Make a copy for patient

We want every patient who stays with us to be informed about their home medications. Please keep this list of medications for your records. If you still have any medication questions, please call our PharmAssist Hotline to schedule a private consultation with a St. Rose Dominican Hospitals Pharmacist at (702) 616-5596

	Name of Medication	Dose / Strength	Route	Frequency		Next dose due	Continue at Home?
1	TURBIS	1 tab	oral	AS needed		7/4/12 if needed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
2	Vitamin	1 tab	oral	AS needed		7/5/12	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
3	Keppra	500mg	oral	twice a day		7/4/12 pm	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
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In-patient medications should be added for a complete list of Discharge Medications. Indicate whether to continue or discontinue in-patient medications upon discharge.

This list of medications was created in consultation with your physician and/or derived from your physician's discharge orders.

DATE 7/4/12 TIME 1800

Please share this list with all your doctors.

Healthcare facilities: For medication questions, call St. Rose Dominican Hospitals Pharmacy at:
 Siena (702) 616-5540 • Rose de Lima (702) 616-4540 • San Martín (702) 492-8540

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MEDICATION RECONCILIATION



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PATIENT IDENTIFICATION

Pt#: 33014697 MR#: 689494
 SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J
 10/03/1965, M 46
 ADR: AKBAR TANVEER
 PDR:

07/02/12
 Rm: MED
 Bd: 0360P

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NOT PERMANENT PART OF PATIENT RECORD:

MRI Brain W&WO Contrast

SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J - 689494

* Final Report *

Result type: MRI Brain W&WO Contrast
Result Date: 03 July 2012 14:06
Result status: Auth (Verified)
Result Title: MR Brain wo+w Contrast
Source of Report: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
Verified By: Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
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* Final Report *

MR Brain wo+w Contrast

Patient Name: SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J
Patient Medical Record Number: 689494

Account Number: 13-MR-12-018189 Exam: MR Brain wo+w
Contrast
Exam Date and 7/3/2012 2:06:16 Ordering Akbar, Tanveer
Time: PM PDT Physician:

Report

EXAM: MRI of the Brain With and Without Contrast 07/03/12

COMPARISON: Head CT 07/02/12. MRI brain 08/10/09.

HISTORY: Possible seizure. Motor vehicle accident.

TECHNIQUE: Sagittal T1. Coronal and FLAIR. Axial T1, T2, FLAIR,
diffusion, ADC and gradient. Post Gadolinium axial and coronal T1. 15 cc
of ProHance was used.

FINDINGS: The study is somewhat limited secondary to motion

There is no midline shift or hydrocephalus. No evidence of an acute
infarct. No obvious hemorrhage.

As noted on the prior MRI, there is a venous angioma within the right
frontal lobe medially. This is adjacent to the right frontal horn. There
is no extraaxial fluid collection.

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The mastoids are clear. The orbits are unremarkable.

There is evidence of some mucosal thickening of the ethmoid and sphenoid sinuses.

IMPRESSION: 1. Study limited by motion.

2. No acute infarct or hemorrhage.
3. As before, venous angioma of the right frontal lobe.
4. Mild paranasal sinus disease.

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Dictated by: Chang, Scott

Signed by: Chang, Scott

** Electronic Signature **

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Completed Action List:

- * VERIFY by Contributor_system, SRDHRAD on 03 July 2012 14:06
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Sleep Lab/EEG

SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL J - 689494

Result type: Sleep Lab/EEG
Result Date: 03 July 2012 17:04
Result status: Auth (Verified)
Result Title: 09
Source of Report: Contributor_system, SRDHTRAN on 03 July 2012 17:04
Encounter info: 33014697, SRDHM, Observation, 07/03/12 -

Electroencephalogram

DATE OF PROCEDURE: 07/03/2012

DOB: 10/03/1965

REFERRING PHYSICIAN: A. Tanveer, MD

STUDY INDICATIONS: New-onset seizure.

A routine 21-channel digital EEG is performed in accordance with the 10-20 international system of electrode placement. Continuous eye movement and electrocardiographic channel monitors are included. Recording time was approximately 21.5 minutes during awake, drowsy and asleep states.

Waking background activity is fairly well-organized. There is a 9-10 Hz alpha rhythm with predominates over the posterior channels and is generally reactive and attenuates with eye opening. Background activity is frequently interrupted by eye blink and other eye movement artifacts, as well as other muscle potential artifacts.

Focal slow waves are infrequently noted over the posterior right frontal and anterior temporal head regions. Rarely, slow waves appears to phase - reverse over the F8 and/or T4 electrodes. No other clear epileptiform activity is noted.

Photic stimulation produced a symmetric driving response at lowest flash frequencies.

There is a normal transition from wakefulness to drowsiness. A prolonged interval of slow wave sleep is identified. No sleep abnormalities are noted.

Normal sinus rhythm predominates on the ECG channel.

IMPRESSION: Abnormal routine awake, drowsy, asleep, and stimulated tracing which identifies subtle features of right posterior frontal and/or anterior

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temporal electrocortical
dysfunction. An interictal epileptiform focus is not conclusively
demonstrated, but cannot be entirely excluded. Correlation clinically and
with cranial imaging is advised.

Stephen P Raps, MD

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EXHIBIT F

To Michael John Schofield

May 2, 2014

Dear Michael,

Today you called and requested certain information concerning my dealings with the assistant States Attorney, Maria Lavelle.

While I am happy to relate events as I recall them you must understand that many conversations I had with Ms Lavelle happened many months ago and I cannot repeat them verbatim but rather provide an idea as to content only as I recall them.

Early on in the process Maria telephoned to explain the process of the preliminary proceedings in which Michael Joshua and I would be subpoenaed to testify. I believe at that time you were using a public defender. I do recall that Ms. Lavelle told me that Michael and I would testify separately without the other in the courtroom so that neither of us could be accused of tainting the others testimony. I believe this testimony was given before Judge Sullivan.

As I recall, Maria had two other telephone conversations with mom and me between my initial testimony and January of 2014. Both of these calls were conducted over our speaker phone so both mom and I heard the entire conversations. I have no idea of the dates on which these occurred. While I am unable to separate the conversations, the primary reason for them were to discuss the First Degree Kidnapping charge and to try to determine the terms of the eventual sentencing.

Both mom and I were and continue to be opposed to First Degree Kidnapping and we discussed that at length with Maria. As to sentencing, the original information told to us was that because everyone's main consideration was slanted toward the safety of Michael Joshua that Maria would probably ask for something in the 5 to 10 year range with the possibility of time off on the back end for good behavior. In our minds, we thought you were looking at about six years to be actually served.

Maria brought up the fact somewhere during our meetings that all of your telephone conversations were being monitored and that she had complete

transcripts of these. I believe this conversation took place in the first pretrial preparation meeting (or conversation) which transpired more than a year ago when I talked with her privately. According to her, you and your brother Bobby had a conversation early on in the process whereby you said to him that you should have killed little Michael while you had the chance. She mentioned that this could be grounds to pursue an attempted murder charge but that she was not going to follow this course of action nor was she planning to use this information in court.

Maria was also shocked to hear how you talked to your mother over the phone. This was in a later phone conversation. Put these things together and Maria feels that you are a danger to the family. These were her words. I believe that her actions and comments were made to paint a very dark picture of you.

On Saturday, January 25, 2014, mom, Michael Joshua and I were invited to appear at Maria Leville's office to discuss the upcoming jury trial. Each of us were interviewed separately. Mom told me after her interview that Maria had asked her if she was aware of your criminal record. Mom said that she thought she did and Maria waved a file folder at her and said that she had all of your records going back to Chicago. I believe that this was brought up to suggest that she had the ammunition to put you away for some time.

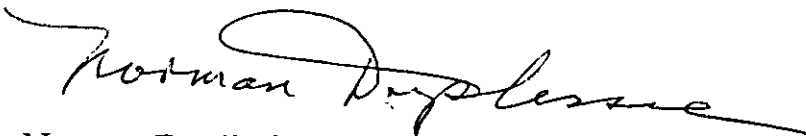
Two other individuals were present at my interview and I do not know their names. Apparently they both worked for the States Attorney's Office. I had met the female participant at the pre trial events but I had never seen the male participant before. During the meeting, Maria briefed me on the procedure and told me that once again, our testimony would be separate and apart from each other. She once again brought up the telephone transcripts which she pointed at as a pile of printouts on her desk. While I glanced at the file (pile of papers) I did not read any of them nor can I attest to the fact that they were in fact telephone transcripts. She did however refer to her understanding that mom must be a very religious person. I was taken back by this comment and said that she wasn't particularly religious even though she had attended Catholic school. Maria responded that she too had attended Catholic school. (After the interview mom and I discussed this matter and mom told me that she had been sending you excerpts from Joel Osteen's book. We both feel that this was Maria's way of letting me know that your mail was being closely monitored, a fact I already knew.) Most of

the interview pertained to procedure.

I do not believe Maria influenced my testimony at trial since to my knowledge, it was the same as the testimony I provided at the pre trial before Judge Sullivan. This does not necessarily mean that her intentions were not to do otherwise. I have written a letter to the sentencing judge questioning the rationale for the First Degree Kidnapping charge. I intend to speak at your sentencing, but understand that I cannot question either the verdict already rendered or the sentence which will be imposed. I intend to ask for leniency for the sake of your mother and son.

On April 9, 2014, the day of your scheduled sentencing, Marie called mom out into the hallway and told her that the sentence she was going to request was to be longer than we originally understood and that a sentence would be requested for each of the two violations that you were found guilty of. In addition, each of the sentences requested would be served consecutively and not concurrently. This would significantly increase prison time and is a drastic deviation from the original information that Maria provided. Both mom and I were shocked and disappointed by this turn of events.

I hope this information will be helpful to you even though I am unable to provide dates, times and specific dialog used between myself and Maria Lavelle.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Norman Duplissie". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Norman Duplissie

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EXHIBIT 6

Visitors

ID Number : '%1679195%', Start Date : '06-JAN-2013', End Date : '04-APR-2014'
04-APR-14

	ID Number	Living Unit	Inmate Last Name	Inmate First Name	Start Date & Time	Visit Type	Rel Type	Visitor Last Name	Visitor First Name	Visitor Middle Name
1	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	30-May-13 15:03:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
2	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	24-Jul-13 14:37:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
3	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	05-Aug-13 14:55:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL
4	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	06-Aug-13 12:35:00	LEG	PD	JENKINS	DANIEL	NULL
5	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	25-Jan-14 09:30:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL
6	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	25-Jan-14 09:30:00	LEG	ATT	MATSUDA	JESS	YOICHI
7	0001679195	LVMPD-NT-7E-19-S; ;	SCHOFIELD	MICHAEL	26-Jan-14 15:11:00	LEG	ATT	PARRIS	JOHN	NULL

04/05/13 7:00 PM

Confirmation #:	375189	Status:Completed	Visitation Time:04/05/13 7:00 PM-7:25 PM	
Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing	
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-4	NT-7E:2W	
Visitation Center		Visitor Station		
Clark County Visitation		VS-44		
Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	6:16 PM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	6:16 PM	

04/21/13 1:00 PM

Confirmation #:	380842	Status:Completed	Visitation Time:04/21/13 1:00 PM-1:25 PM	
Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing	
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-5	NT-7E:2W	
Visitation Center		Visitor Station		
Clark County Visitation		VS-12		
Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	12:32 PM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	12:32 PM	

05/11/13 8:00 AM

Confirmation #:	390465	Status:Completed	Visitation Time:05/11/13 8:00 AM-8:25 AM	
Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing	
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-2-4	NT-7E:2W	
Visitation Center		Visitor Station		
Clark County Visitation		VS-05		
Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	7:38 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	7:38 AM	

08/20/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #:	435306	Status:Completed	Visitation Time:08/20/13 10:00 AM-10:25 AM	
Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing	
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-9EF-1	NT-7E:2W	
Visitation Center		Visitor Station		
Clark County Visitation		VS-35		
Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:33 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:33 AM	

11/04/13 9:30 AM

Confirmation #:	470595	Status:Completed	Visitation Time:11/04/13 9:30 AM-9:55 AM	
Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing	
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-2	NT-7E:2W	
Visitation Center		Visitor Station		
Clark County Visitation		VS-03		
Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:12 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:12 AM	

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Confirmation #: 472146 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/11/13 9:30 AM-9:55 AM

Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-1	NT-7E:2W

Visitation Center	Visitor Station
Clark County Visitation	VS-17

Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:15 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:15 AM	

11/16/13 1:00 PM

Confirmation #: 474023 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/16/13 1:00 PM-1:25 PM

Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	ST-4L-1	NT-7E:2W

Visitation Center	Visitor Station
Clark County Visitation	VS-16

Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	12:39 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	12:39 PM	

11/29/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 481396 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 11/29/13 10:00 AM-11:05 AM

Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-3B-5	NT-7E:2W

Visitation Center	Visitor Station
Clark County Visitation	VS-27

Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:48 AM	

12/23/13 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 491648 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 12/23/13 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-3B-1	NT-7E:2W

Visitation Center	Visitor Station
Clark County Visitation	VS-12

Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:45 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:45 AM	

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Confirmation #: 506242 Status: Completed Visitation Time: 01/22/14 2:04 PM-2:34 PM

Inmate ID	Inmate Name	Inmate Station	Inmate Housing
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

Visitation Center	Visitor Station
Clark County Visitation	VS-56 (Priv.)

Visitor ID	Visitor Name	Relationship To Inmate	Check-in Time	Check-out Time
P38S-1554	John Parris	Attorney	2:05 PM	

03/04/14 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 523816 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/04/14 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-41

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:50 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:50 AM	

03/09/14 10:00 AM

Confirmation #: 525063 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/09/14 10:00 AM-10:25 AM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-28

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
FPUD-64169	Patricia Duplissie	Parent	9:55 AM	
R8ED-65482	Michael J Schofield	Child	9:55 AM	

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Confirmation #: 532444 Status:Completed Visitation Time:03/21/14 12:13 PM-1:03 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-59 (Priv., Dual)

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
M5HI-132	Robert Farley	Probation Officer	12:13 PM	

04/02/14 7:30 PM

Confirmation #: 537904 Status:Completed Visitation Time:04/02/14 7:30 PM-7:55 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-61 (Priv., Dual, ADA)

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	6:58 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	6:58 PM	

04/02/14 8:00 PM

Confirmation #: 537906 Status:Completed Visitation Time:04/02/14 8:00 PM-8:25 PM

<u>Inmate ID</u>	<u>Inmate Name</u>	<u>Inmate Station</u>	<u>Inmate Housing</u>
0001679195	Schofield, Michael John	NT-7EF-1	NT-7E:2W

<u>Visitation Center</u>	<u>Visitor Station</u>
Clark County Visitation	VS-05

<u>Visitor ID</u>	<u>Visitor Name</u>	<u>Relationship To Inmate</u>	<u>Check-in Time</u>	<u>Check-out Time</u>
PD4G-64170	Robert F Schofield	Sibling or Half Sibling	7:57 PM	
LEUD-78714	Rosa Schofield	Brother-in-Law or Sister-in-	7:57 PM	



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_____ Probationary Records	_____ Judicial Records (including juvenile)
_____ Client's entire file	_____ Other _____

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_____ HIV Related Records	_____ Psychiatric/Psychological Records
_____ Drug/Alcohol Treatment Records	_____ Client's entire file
_____ Other: _____	_____ Other: _____

Client Signature _____

Date _____

Witness _____

Date _____



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AUTHORIZATION FOR USE AND/OR DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS AND/OR PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

Name: MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD Case# _____
Address: [Redacted] Phone: [Redacted]
Social Security: 353-70-2354 DOB: 10-3-1965

I, MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD hereby authorize _____
to have unrestricted communication with the Clark County Public Defender's Office.

This release includes phone calls, visitations, release of confidential information and protected health information to/from the above named agencies. The purpose of this release is for providing advocacy and disposition services for the client's legal defense. I hereby release the holder of such information from liability if any, arising from the disclosure of otherwise confidential information. You are specifically authorized to photocopy the following records and to release copies to the above mentioned representative. Records may include but are not limited to:

<input type="checkbox"/> Medical History and Treatment	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Records
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Records
<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Correctional Records
<input type="checkbox"/> Probationary Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Judicial Records (including juvenile)
<input type="checkbox"/> Client's entire file	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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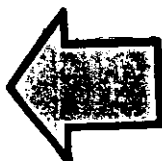
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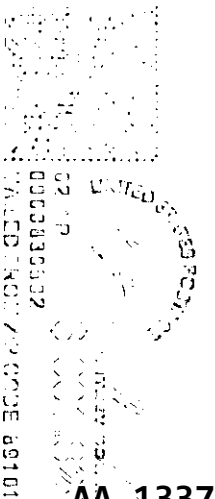
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DATED THIS 5TH DAY OF JUNE, 2014,
I MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, DO SOLEMNLY
SWEAR, UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT
THE ABOVE EXHIBITS ARE ACCURATE, CORRECT
AND TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
Respectfully Submitted
Michael J. Schofield
MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD
DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

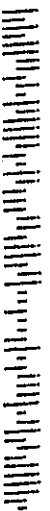
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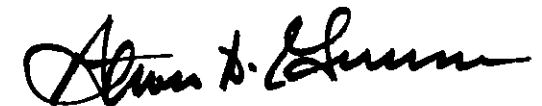
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DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

9 THE STATE OF NEVADA,
10 Plaintiff,

11 -vs-

12 MICHAEL JOHN SCHOFIELD,
13 #1679195

14 Defendant.

CASE NO: C-13-287009-1

DEPT NO: VI

15 **STATE'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT**

16 DATE OF HEARING: JULY 14, 2014

17 TIME OF HEARING: 8:30 A.M.

18 COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, Clark County
19 District Attorney, through MARIA E. LAVELL, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and hereby
20 submits the attached Points and Authorities in Opposition to Defendant's Motion To Vacate
21 Verdict.

22 This Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Vacate Verdict is made and based upon all
23 the papers and pleadings on file herein, the attached Points and Authorities in support hereof,
24 and oral argument at the time of hearing, if deemed necessary by this Honorable Court.

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1 **POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

2 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

3 **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

4 On January 8, 2013, Michael John Schofield, (hereinafter the "Defendant"), was
5 charged by way of Criminal Complaint of the following: COUNT 1: BURGLARY
6 (FELONY - NRS 205.060); COUNT 2: BATTERY CONSTITUTING DOMESTIC
7 VIOLENCE – STRANGULATION (FELONY - NRS 200.481; 200.485; 33.018); COUNT 3:
8 CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR ENDANGERMENT (FELONY - NRS 200.508(1));
9 COUNT 4: FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING (NRS 200.310; 200.320) and, COUNT 5:
10 BATTERY CONSTITUTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (MISDO - NRS 200.481; 200.485;
11 33.018). A Preliminary Hearing was held on January 23, 2013, after which the Defendant was
12 bound over to answer to counts 1-4. A jury trial commenced on January 27, 2014 and the jury
13 reached a verdict on February 3, 2014. The Defendant was found guilty of COUNT 3: CHILD
14 ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR ENDANGERMENT and COUNT 4: FIRST DEGREE
15 KIDNAPPING. The Defendant's sentencing date was set for April 7, 2014.

16 On March 28, 2014, the Defendant filed a MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL and on
17 April 4, 2014, the State filed its Opposition. On April 15, 2014, the Defendant filed his
18 RESPONSE TO THE STATE'S OPPOSITION and the State filed its Reply on April 16, 2014.
19 On May 22, 2014, the Defendant filed an ADDENDUM REPLY TO STATE'S REPLY. Then
20 on June 12, 2014, the Defendant filed a SECOND ADDENDUM TO MOTION FOR A NEW
21 TRIAL. The State's response to both the Addendum and Second Addendum will be filed at a
22 later date.

23 On May 30, 2014, the Defendant filed a MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT (EXHIBIT
24 1). The State's Opposition follows:

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ARGUMENT

I. THE DEFENDANT'S MOTION IS UNTIMELY AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE DENIED

In the Defendant's instant motion it appears he is asking that this Honorable Court grant a motion for a judgment of acquittal. Pursuant to NRS 175.381(2), a motion for a judgment of acquittal must be made within seven days after the jury is discharged or within such time as the Court may fix during that period. It is important to note the statutory use of the language "must." This language expressly mandates that such a Motion be filed within the seven day time period unless the Court, during that seven-day period, fixes some other time period. In the instant case, the jury was discharged after returning their guilty verdict on February 3, 2014. The seven-day period ended on February 10, 2014. The Defendant did not file the instant Motion until May 30, 2014 some one hundred and nine days after the jury was discharged. This filing was well beyond the statutorily mandated seven-day period. Moreover, this matter was never back before the Court during that seven-day period for the Defendant to request an extension within that seven-day period in order to file a Motion to Vacate Verdict. Therefore, the Defendant's Motion is untimely and must be denied. The State would further submit that the statutory language of NRS 175.381, insofar as it outlines the time period for filing the Motion, is identical to NRS 176.515, the statute that deals with the filing of a Motion for New Trial, which the Defendant did in fact file. As such, the applicable case law interpreting NRS 176.515 and its mandatory time period for the filing of Motions is analogous to NRS 175.381.

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1 In DePasquale v. State, 106 Nev. 843, 803 P.2d 218 (1990), the Defendant was
2 convicted of First Degree Murder and sentenced to death. Eight (8) days after the final verdict,
3 he filed a Motion for New Trial, which the trial Court declined to hear. On appeal to the
4 Nevada Supreme Court, the Defendant argued that the District Court erred in declining to
5 exercise jurisdiction over the motion. The Nevada Supreme Court held that since the
6 Defendant missed by one day the deadline imposed by NRS 176.515(4), the District Court did
7 not err in failing to hear the motion. Id. at 851, 803 P.2d at 223. Since the Defendant clearly
8 missed the deadline, this Court should deny this motion as being untimely.

9 **CONCLUSION**


10 For the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests this Court to DENY
11 Defendant's Motion to Vacate Verdict.

12 DATED this 19th day of June, 2014.

13 Respectfully submitted,

14 STEVEN B. WOLFSON
15 Clark County District Attorney
Nevada Bar #001565

16 BY

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18 MARIA E. LAVELL
Chief Deputy District Attorney
Nevada Bar #010120

19 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

20 I hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing was made this 19th day of June,
21 2014, by depositing a copy in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

22 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, #1679195
23 CLARK COUNTY DETENTION CENTER
24 330 S. CASINO CENTER BLVD.
LAS VEGAS, NV, 89101

25 BY /s/ E. Goddard

26 E. Goddard
27 Secretary for the District Attorney's Office

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7 CLARK COUNTY NEVADA
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9 THE STATE OF NEVADA CASE No. C-13-287009-1
10 PLAINTIFF DEPT No. 6
11 V.S.

12 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD 6-23-14 @ 8:30am
13 DEFENDANT
14

15 MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT
16 COMES NOW DEFENDANT, MICHAEL J.
17 SCHOFIELD, IN PROPER PERSON, AND
18 RESPECTFULLY MOVES THIS HONORABLE COURT TO
19 VACATE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST
20 DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

21 THIS MOTION IS BASED UPON ALL RECORDS
22 AND FILES IN THIS ACTION. POINTS AND AUTHORITIES,
23 AFFIDAVIT OF THE DEFENDANT, AND ANY ARGUMENT
24 ADDUCE AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING OF THIS MOTION

25 *Michael J. Schofield*
26 MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD

27 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON

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1 TO: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DEFENDANT IN
2 PROPER PERSON
3 YOU AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE
4 NOTICE THAT THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BRING
5 THIS MOTION ON FOR HEARING BEFORE THE
6 DISTRICT COURT DEPT 6 ON THE ²³ 9th DAY
7 OF JUNE AT 8:30 O'CLOCK A.M. OF SAID DAY.
8 DATED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY 2014.
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10 Michael Schofield
11 MICHAEL S. SCHOFIELD
12 DEFENDANT IN PROPER PERSON
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14 POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

15 IT IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED OF THIS COURT
16 TO GRANT THIS MOTION TO VACATE VERDICT OF
17 GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING FOR THE
18 REASONS LISTED BELOW:

19 1. INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE. THE STATE DID NOT
20 PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT EVERY
21 ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

22 2. JURY INSTRUCTIONS WERE ERRONEOUS.

23 3. PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT.

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POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE. THE STATE DID NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT EVERY ELEMENT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. THE BURDEN OF PROVING EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME CHARGED IS PLACED UPON THE STATE. THE STATE DID NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE DEFENDANT TOOK WITH THE INTENT TO KEEP HIS SON, MICHAEL & JOSHUA SCHOFIELD. IN PROVING FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO PROVE THAT THE DEFENDANT'S INTENTION WAS TO TAKE HIS SON. IN FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING IT MUST BE PROVED THAT THE DEFENDANT'S INTENTION WAS TO TAKE HIS SON, COMBINED WITH THE INTENTION TO KEEP HIS SON. THIS BEING THE CASE THE STATE DID NOT PROVE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING. THEREFORE THE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING SHOULD BE VACATED BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE.

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2. Jury instructions were erroneous.
2 Jury instruction number 11 reads: 'It is the
3 fact, not the distance, of forcible movement
4 of the victim that constitutes kidnapping.'
5 This jury instruction helps further define
6 kidnapping. Yet it does not define first
7 degree kidnapping. D.A. Lavelle, in the final
8 closing argument given by the state on Friday
9 January 31, 2014 refers to this jury instruction
10 number 11, on page 235 line 13 thru line 20 of
11 the court transcripts. Beyond referring to the
12 jury instruction as a statute, the D.A. states:
13 "You will have a jury instruction that says
14 distance is irrelevant. And nothing in the
15 statute says that he had to physically
16 keep him. If he has taken him to the store
17 and brought him back, guess what? He still
18 kidnapped that kid." IN THAT THE D.A.
19 referred to the jury instruction number 11
20 not saying anything about intent to keep,
21 it could then be understood that jury
22 instruction number 11 was placed in the jury
23 instructions to describe first degree kidnapping
24 and being that it is missing an element of first
25 degree kidnapping, the jury instruction
26 number 11 is considered erroneous.
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1 THE D.A. EXPLAINS TO THE JURY THAT, "IF THE DEFENDANT
2 HAD TAKEN HIS SON TO THE STORE AND BROUGHT HIS SON BACK,
3 HE STILL KIDNAPPED HIS SON." AND THEN THE D.A. STATES: "I
4 ASK YOU TO FOLLOW THE LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO KIDNAPPING."
5 WHICH AGAIN THE D.A. IS ASKING THE JURY TO DETERMINE
6 GUILTY OR NOT GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING. BEING THAT THE D.A.
7 USED LANGUAGE CONSISTENT WITH THE LANGUAGE USED IN
8 JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN, WHICH IS 'KIDNAPPING'
9 INSTEAD OF 'FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING' IN JURY INSTRUCTION
10 NUMBER ELEVEN 'THAT WHICH CONSTITUTES KIDNAPPING', IN
11 THE D.A. CLOSING ARGUMENT 'I ASK YOU TO FOLLOW THE
12 LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO KIDNAPPING'. THIS FURTHER HELPS
13 MAKE JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN ERRONEOUS.
14 BY MAKING THE INTENT TO KEEP AFTER TAKING HIS SON
15 IRRELEVANT IN ITS DEFINITION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES
16 KIDNAPPING, AND THE D.A. USING JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER
17 ELEVEN TO DETERMINE GUILT OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
18 JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER ELEVEN IS THEN ERRONEOUS.
19 THE DEFENDANT IS CHARGED WITH, AND HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY
20 OF FIRST DEGREE ^{KIDNAP} IN WHICH INTENT TO KEEP AFTER TAKING
21 IS AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIME AND THAT NOT ONLY JURY INSTRUCTION
22 NUMBER ELEVEN OMMITS THIS ELEMENT, BUT THE D.A. REFERS TO
23 THIS JURY INSTRUCTION IN HER FINAL ARGUMENT AND EVEN GOES SO
24 FAR AS TO SAY ACCORDING TO THIS JURY INSTRUCTION, TO KEEP
25 IS NOT AN ELEMENT OF THE CRIME COMMITTED. BASED ON
26 THIS THE HONORABLE JUDGE SHOULD VACATE THE VERDICT OF
27 GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING.

3. PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT

THE PROSECUTORS USED REPREHENSIBLE METHODS TO PERSUADE THE JURY AND IT IS REASONABLY PROBABLE THAT A RESULT ~~THE~~^{MORE} FAVORABLE TO THE DEFENDANT WOULD HAVE BEEN REACHED WITHOUT THE MISCONDUCT. A PROSECUTOR MAY NOT TAKE ARTISTIC LISCENSE WITH THE TRIAL EVIDENCE, CONSTRUCT A MORE DRAMATIC VERSION OF THE EVENTS, AND THEN DEFEND AGAINST A PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT CLAIM BY MAINTAINING THE STATEMENTS ARE FACT BASED, WHERE THE PROSECUTOR MISREPRESENTS A WITNESS TESTIMONY. COURTS HAVE CONDEMNED SUCH ANTICS AS THEATRICALS. THE LEGAL GUARDIANS OF MICHAEL (JOSHUA SCHOFIELD), WERE IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH THE D.A. REGARDING THIS CASE. NORMAN DUPLISSIE NOT JUST PATRICIA DUPLISSIE HAD RELATED TO THE D.A. THAT THEY AS WELL AS MICHAEL (JOSHUA SCHOFIELD) THE CHILD THEY ARE LEGAL GUARDIANS OF AND THE VICTIM IN THIS CASE ALL BELIEVED THAT THE DEFENDANT WAS NOT GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING, SO MUCH SO THAT NORMAN DUPLISSIE NOT PATRICIA DUPLISSIE PAID FOR A PRIVATE ATTORNEY IN HOPES OF GETTING THE DEFENDANT BETTER REPRESENTATION, SO FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY MR. ANTHONY TO SPEAK FOR THE DEFENDANTS FAMILY IN THE FIRST OF THE TWO CLOSING ARGUMENTS WAS INAPPROPRIATE AND MISLEADING TO THE JURY. PATRICIA DUPLISSIE IN THE

1 PHONE CALL THAT MS. ANTHONY REFERS TO AS,
 2 PATRICIA DUPLESSIE IN THE PHONE CALL STATING
 3 THAT SHE TOLD THE DEFENDANT THAT MICHAEL
 4 JOSHUA SHOULD NOT GO WITH THE DEFENDANT AGAIN
 5 MISREPRESENTED THE ~~LEGAL~~ GUARDIAN.
 6 BECAUSE IN THAT PHONE CALL, PATRICIA DUPLESSIE
 7 STATES, 'I TOLD HIM NOT TO GO AT FIRST.'
 8 BY NOT MENTIONING THIS THE D.A. MISREPRESENTED,
 9 THE MEANING OF HER COMMENT. MS. ANTHONY
 10 ALSO MADE MULTIPLE COMMENTS ABOUT THE
 11 LEGAL GUARDIAN, PATRICIA DUPLESSIE GIVING FALSE
 12 TESTIMONY ABOUT DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT THAT
 13 PATRICIA WITNESSED OR DID NOT WITNESS. THE
 14 TWO OFFICERS BOTH PLACED PATRICIA BY THE FRONT
 15 DOOR UPON THEIR ARRIVAL AND NORMAN AND
 16 THE TWO MICHAELS BY THE DRIVEWAY, WHICH CAN
 17 NOT BE SEEN BY THE FRONT DOOR, ALSO NORMAN
 18 'CUTE LITTLE NORMAN', HAD TESTIFIED THAT HE PUT
 19 THE DOG IN ITS CAGE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE
 20 INCIDENT, AND THE CAGE IS VERY NEAR THE FRONT
 21 DOOR. THE DOG CAN CLEARLY BE HEARD BARKING
 22 WHICH APPEARS TO BE CLOSER TO THE PERSON ON
 23 THE PHONE THAN THE PEOPLE CALLING. MS. ANTHONY
 24 ALSO ALTERS THE MEANING OF FIRST DEGREE
 25 KIDNAPPING. ON PAGE 201 OF THE TRANSCRIPT
 26 SHE BREAKS DOWN NRS 200.301(1) THEN ALTERS
 27 IT BY STATING ON LINE 247, 'SO HOW DO YOU KNOW

1 THAT THE DEFENDANT INTENDED TO TAKE, WHICH
2 IS NOT PART OF NRS 200.301(1) OR JURY
3 INSTRUCTION NUMBER TEN. EVEN THE SHORT
4 VERSION OF NRS 200.301(1) WHICH THE STATE
5 USED IN THE JURY INSTRUCTION NUMBER TEN,
6 WHICH ADDS A LINE TO THE STATUTE THAT IS NOT PART
7 OF IT, 'KIDNAPPING DOES NOT REQUIRE FORCE'.
8 THE JURY INSTRUCTION AND THE NRS FOR FIRST
9 DEGREE KIDNAPPING DO NOT SAY INTENDED TO
10 TAKE, BUT SAY TAKE WITH THE INTENT TO KEEP.
11 THE SECOND CLOSING ARGUMENT GOES EVEN FARTHER
12 IN STATING THAT INTENT TO KEEP IS NOT A PART
13 OF THE CRIME. THE D.A. LAVELL EVEN USES A
14 DESCRIPTION OF ANOTHER 'EXAMPLE' OF A KIDNAP
15 SCENARIO WHICH ALSO DOES NOT DESCRIBE A
16 FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING SCENE. D.A. LAVELL
17 ALSO ATTACKED THE DEFENDANT IN HER CLOSING ABOUT
18 BEING OUT OF CONTROL THAT HE HAS A HORRIFIC
19 TEMPER WHICH SHE REPEATED TWICE. YET NOT
20 ANOTHER PERSON AT THE SCENE WOULD SAY THAT
21 THE DEFENDANT ATTACKED ANY OF THEM
22 PHYSICALLY. THE DEFENDANT WAS, AS THE POLICE
23 OFFICER WHO ARRIVED ON THE SCENE RESISTING
24 BUT NOT TO THE POINT OF GETTING A RESISTING
25 ARREST CHARGE, THAT THE PHYSICAL ALTERCATION
26 HAD CEASED BEFORE HER ARRIVAL AND THE
27 MALE OFFICER NEIGHBOR SAID THAT THE DEFENDANT

1 WAS NEVER TOOK TO THE GROUND. THE PROSECUTORS
2 COMMENTS WERE IMPROPER AND A FLAGRANT
3 ATTEMPT TO INFLAME PASSION AND PREJUDICE.
4 ESPECIALLY BRINGING UP INCIDENTS WHICH WERE
5 NOT PART OF THE INCIDENT AND WERE THEIR
6 WERE NO CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST THE
7 DEFENDANT. THE HONORABLE JUDGE DID NOT
8 GIVE THE DEFENDANT A CONTEMPT OF COURT
9 CHARGE FOR HIS ACTIONS DURING TRIAL NOR DID THE
10 DEFENDANT RECEIVE CHARGES FOR BEING PUT
11 IN A RESTRAINING DEVICE AT C.C.D.C.

12 II ARGUMENT

13 BURKHART V STATE 107 NEV. 797, 820 P. 2d 757,
14 1991 LEXIS 173 (1991) THERE WAS NO TESTIMONY
15 WHICH WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THE JURY TO INFER
16 WHAT THE DEFENDANT INTENDED TO DO WITH THE VICTIM.

17 COBB V POZZI 363 F. 3d 89, 116 (2d CIR 2004)

18 AN ERRONEOUS JURY INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRES
19 REVERSAL ON APPEAL UNLESS THE ERROR IS HARMLESS.

20 JOHNSON V. U.S. 520 U.S. 461, 466-67, 117 S. Ct. 1544 (1997)

21 (EXPLAINING ERRORS CAN BE CORRECTED WHEN

22 THERE IS (1) ERROR (2) THAT IS PLAIN (3) THAT AFFECTS

23 SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS (4) SERIOUSLY AFFECTS THE

24 FAIRNESS, ~~THE~~ INTEGRITY OR PUBLIC REPUTATION

25 OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDING).

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1 PEOPLE V. MARTINEZ, 47 CAL. 4TH 911, 105 CAL.
2 Rptr. 3d 131, 224 P. 3d 877 (2010) UNDER
3 STATE LAW, PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS
4 REVERSIBLE ERROR WHERE THE PROSECUTOR USES
5 "DECEPTIVE OR REPREHENSIBLE METHODS TO
6 PERSUADE EITHER THE COURT OR THE JURY" AND
7 IT IS REASONABLE PROBABLE THAT A RESULT MORE
8 FAVORABLE TO THE DEFENDANT WOULD HAVE BEEN
9 REACHED WITHOUT THE MISCONDUCT.
10 (UNITED STATES V. CARTER, 236 F. 3d 777
11 (6TH CIR. 2001) PROSECUTOR DURING CLOSING
12 ARGUMENT MISREPRESENTED WITNESS TESTIMONY.
13 ANTHONY V. UNITED STATES, 935A. 2d 275 (D.C. App. 2007)
14 (WHEN THE PROSECUTOR ARGUED FALSELY THAT A
15 WITNESS HAD STATED A FACT CRUCIAL TO CONVICTION.
16 SMITH V. COMMONWEALTH, 40 VA. App 595, 580 S.E.
17 2d 481 (2003) PROSECUTOR IMPROPER AND
18 FLAGRANT ATTEMPT TO INFLAME PASSION AND PREJUDICE.
19 (UNITED STATES V. MOORE, 651 F. 3d 30 (D.C. CIR 2011)
20 AS THE DISTRICT COURT OBSERVED, "A PROSECUTOR MAY
21 NOT TAKE ARTISTIC LICENSE WITH THE TRIAL EVIDENCE,
22 CONSTRUCT A MORE DRAMATIC VERSION OF THE EVENTS,
23 PROVIDE CONJECTURE ABOUT A VICTIM'S STATE OF MIND, AND THEN
24 DEFEND AGAINST A PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT CLAIM BY
25 MAINTAINING THE STATEMENTS ARE 'FACT-BASED'.
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1 SPICER V. Rossetti, 150 F.3d 642, 644 (7th Cir. 1998)
2 ("JUST AS COUNSEL MAY NOT EXPRESS HIS BELIEFS
3 REGARDING THE HONESTY OF THE OPPOSING PARTY'S
4 WITNESSES... HE MAY NOT EXPRESS HIS BELIEFS
5 REGARDING OPPOSING COUNSEL'S OPINION OF HONESTY
6 MOSES V. UNION PACIFIC R.R., 64 FED 3d 413 (8th Cir 1995)
7 IT IS IMPROPER TO ARGUE YOUR PERSONAL BELIEFS
8 ABOUT THE HONESTY OF WITNESSES, THOUGH YOU MAY
9 ARGUE THAT THE EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT PARTICULAR
10 WITNESSES ARE CREDIBLE OR INCREDIBLE. YOU MAY
11 NOT APPEAL TO THE JURY'S SYMPATHY, PREJUDICE,
12 OR PASSION.
13 REEL V. PHILADELPHIA, BETHLEHEM & NEW ENGLAND
14 R.R. Co., 939 F.2d 128, 133-34 (3rd Cir. 1991)
15 ("THE REMARKS OF COUNSEL (ARE) REQUIRED TO BE
16 CONFINED TO THE EVIDENCE ADMITTED IN THE CASE.
17 REVERSIBLE ERROR IS COMMITTED WHEN COUNSEL'S
18 CLOSING ARGUMENT TO THE JURY INTRODUCES
19 EXTRANEOUS MATTER THAT HAS A REASONABLE
20 PROBABILITY OF INFLUENCING THE VERDICT."
21 STATE V. GARNER 234 OR. APP. 486, 228 P.3d 710 (2010)
22 (UNDER THE OREGON CONSTITUTION, RETRIAL FOLLOWING MISTRIAL DUE
23 TO PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT IS BARRED WHEN (1) THE MISCONDUCT
24 IS SO PREJUDICIAL THAT IT CANNOT BE CURED BY MEANS SHORT
25 OF MISTRIAL; (2) THE PROSECUTOR KNEW THAT THE CONDUCT WAS
26 IMPROPER AND PREJUDICIAL (3) THE PROSECUTOR EITHER INTENDED
27 OR WAS INDIFFERENT TO THE RESULTING MISTRIAL)

1 Further more, the D.A. testified knowledge of
 2 medical conditions of the defendant and receiving a
 3 letter that not only touched upon that issue but also
 4 expressed the desire of Patricia Dupuis to see
 5 her son the defendant punished for the crimes (s)
 6 she believed he committed on her grandson. The
 7 D.A. also claimed to have listened to hundreds of hours
 8 of phone calls and could only use the first
 9 couple of days in jail as any sort of evidence. The
 10 D.A. then hearing these phone calls must of have heard
 11 the defendant's son who is the victim crying to
 12 the defendant that he misses him. The two Michaels
 13 putting this behind them as much as possible, the
 14 D.A. had no right to say that the love and forgiveness
 15 that they share is irrelevant. And the D.A.s had
 16 no right to speak for the family of the defendant
 17 and what their thoughts were on January 6, 2013
 18 and following that day. The D.A. misrepresented
 19 the victim's grandmother in their closing when they
 20 stated she is trying to protect the defendant and
 21 not the grandmother, which the victim's grandmother
 22 has dedicated her retirement years to raising
 23 him and who called 911 to protect the grandson
 24 from what she thought was improper physical
 25 disciplinary reaction by her own son. She has
 26 not stayed away from disagreeing with her son
 27 on recorded phone calls about letting the

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DEFENDANT KNOW THAT SHE BELIEVED THE DEFENDANT SHOULD BE PUNISHED FOR GOING TO FAR AND TURNING PUNISHMENT INTO ABUSE. SHE HAS ALSO LET THE DEFENDANT KNOW THAT JUST BECAUSE SHE GAVE HIM PERMISSION TO TAKE THE GRANDSON TO THE STORE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU DID NOT DO ANYTHING WRONG. AND BELIEVES THE DEFENDANT HAS NO ONE ELSE TO BLAME FOR THE MESS HE IS IN. THIS EVENT HAS TORE OUR FAMILY APART. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE OR THE D.A. ON THIS CASE SHOULD NOT TRY TO SAY THAT THEY ARE REPRESENTING THE VICTIM OR THE VICTIMS LEGAL GUARDIANS. ALL FOUR OF THE WITNESSES DO NOT BELIEVE THE DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING. ALL 4 BELIEVE THE DEFENDANT IS GUILTY OF CHILD ABUSE. I DO NOT SEE HOW THE COURT COULD, AFTER LISTENING TO HOW THE D.A. MANIPULATED THE LAW, TO CONVINCE A JURY WHO IS NOT PRACTICED IN LAW, ALLOW THE VERDICT OF GUILTY TO FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING^{TO} STAND. I HOPE AND PRAY THAT YOUR HONORABLE JUDGE WILL CONSIDER THE SHORTCOMINGS THAT EXIST IN THE STATES BURDEN TO PROVE EVERY ELEMENT OF THE CRIME CHARGED WHICH IS FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING AND CONCLUDE THAT JUSTICE WOULD BE PROPERLY SERVED WITH A BETTER RESOLUTION THAN HAS OCCURRED.

1 THE STATE WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO
2 PRESENT A FAIR TRIAL BUT INSTEAD USE DECEPTIVE
3 METHODS TO PROVE THEIR CASE. IN MISUSING JURY
4 INSTRUCTIONS IMPROPERLY MAKING SAID JURY INSTRUCTION
5 ERRONEOUS. AND IN NOT SHOWING ANY EVIDENCE TO PROVE
6 BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT THE DEFENDANTS INTENT
7 WAS TO KEEP MICHAEL JOSHUA SCHOFIELD AFTER TAKING
8 HIM THE VERDICT OF GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING
9 SHOULD BE VACATED BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE. I HOPE
10 AND PRAY THIS MOTION WILL BE HEARD.

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12 DATED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY, 2014.
13 I MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR,
14 UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT THE ABOVE
15 MOTION IS ACCURATE, CORRECT, AND TRUE TO THE
16 BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

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18 Respectfully Submitted

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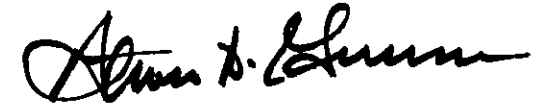
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9 THE STATE OF NEVADA,
10 Plaintiff,

11 -vs-

12 MICHAEL JOHN SCHOFIELD,
13 #1679195

14 Defendant.

CASE NO: C-13-287009-1

DEPT NO: VI

15 **STATE'S REPLY TO DEFENDANT'S ADDENDUM AND**
16 **SECOND ADDENDUM FOR MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL**

17 DATE OF HEARING: JULY 14, 2014

18 TIME OF HEARING: 8:30 A.M.

19 COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, Clark County
20 District Attorney, through MARIA E. LAVELL, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and hereby
21 submits the attached Points and Authorities in Reply to Defendant's Addendum and Second
22 Addendum for Motion for a New Trial.

23 This Reply is made and based upon all the papers and pleadings on file herein, the
24 attached Points and Authorities in support hereof, and oral argument at the time of hearing, if
25 deemed necessary by this Honorable Court.

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1 **POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

2 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

3 **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

4 On January 8, 2013, Michael John Schofield, (hereinafter the "Defendant"), was
5 charged by way of criminal complaint of the following: COUNT 1: BURGLARY
6 (FELONY – NRS 205.060); COUNT 2: BATTERY CONSTITUTING DOMESTIC
7 VIOLENCE – STRANGULATION (FELONY - NRS 200.481; 200.485; 33.018); COUNT 3:
8 CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR ENDANGERMENT (FELONY - NRS 200.508(1));
9 COUNT 4: FIRST DEGREE KIDNAPPING (NRS 200.310; 200.320) and, COUNT 5:
10 BATTERY CONSTITUTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (MISDO - NRS 200.481; 200.485;
11 33.018). A Preliminary Hearing was held on January 23, 2013, after which the Defendant was
12 bound over to answer to counts 1-4. A jury trial commenced on January 27, 2014 and the jury
13 reached a verdict on February 3, 2014. The Defendant was found guilty of COUNT 3: CHILD
14 ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR ENDANGERMENT and COUNT 4: FIRST DEGREE
15 KIDNAPPING. The Defendant's sentencing date was set for April 7, 2014.

16 On March 28, 2014, the Defendant filed a MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL (EXHIBIT
17 1) and on April 4, 2014, the State filed its Opposition. (EXHIBIT 2). On April 15, 2014, the
18 Defendant filed his Response to the State's Opposition (EXHIBIT 3) and the State filed its
19 Reply on April 16, 2014. (EXHIBIT 4). On May 22, 2014, the Defendant filed an
20 ADDENDUM REPLY TO STATE'S REPLY. (EXHIBIT 5). Then on June 12, 2014, the
21 Defendant filed a SECOND ADDENDUM TO MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL. (EXHIBIT
22 6). The State's Reply to both the Addendum and Second Addendum follows. The State's
23 previous Opposition, Response and Reply to Defendant's Motion for a New Trial is
24 incorporated herein.

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1 **ARGUMENT**

2 N.R.S. 176.515(1) allows this Honorable Court to grant the Defendant a new trial if
3 required as a matter of law or if there is newly discovered evidence. The Defendant alleges
4 that he is entitled to a new trial as a matter of law and as a result of newly discovered evidence.
5 The grant or denial of a new trial is within the trial Court's discretion and will not be reversed
6 absent its abuse. McCabe v. State, 98 Nev. 604, 655 P.2d 536 (1982). As will be shown below,
7 the Defendant clearly has not met his burden. Therefore, the motion for new trial should be
8 denied.

9 I. **THE DEFENDANT IS NOT ENTITLED TO A NEW TRIAL BASED ON**
10 **NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE**

11 To establish a basis for a new trial on this ground, the evidence must be (1) newly
12 discovered; (2) material to the defense; (3) such that even with the exercise of reasonable
13 diligence it could not have been discovered and produced for trial; (4) non-cumulative; (5)
14 such as to render a different result probable upon retrial; (6) not only an attempt to contradict,
15 impeach or discredit a former witness, unless the witness is so important that a different result
16 would be reasonably probable; and (7) the best evidence the case admits. Sanborn v. State,
17 107 Nev. 399, 406, 812 P.2d 1279, 1284-85 (1991) (If any one of these criteria is absent, the
18 Defendant is not entitled to a new trial and the trial Court should deny the motion for a new
19 trial.). McLemore v. State, 94 Nev. 237, 577 P.2d 871 (1978). See U.S. v. Wright, 625 F.2d
20 1017, 1019 (1st Cir. 1980).

21 a. **The Defense Has Not Shown That There Was Any Newly Discovered**
22 **Evidence**

23 Criteria 1: The evidence must be: newly discovered. The Defendant asserts that the
24 fact that he has had seizures in the past is "newly" discovered evidence. He argues that it is
25 "newly" discovered because he forgot he had seizures *because* of the seizures. (See
26 ADDENDUM p. 21, lines 4-9). This is belied by his own written motion. The Defendant

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1 writes in his ADDENDUM that he alerted both of his attorney's about his purported medical
2 condition in July of 2013, some six months before trial. (ADDENDUM p. 21, lines 10-25; p.
3 22, lines 1-8). Therefore, this is not newly discovered evidence.

4 Where evidence was known at trial and not probed does not fall into the category of
5 newly discovered evidence: "A lack of due diligence in obtaining evidence does not constitute
6 a basis for granting a new trial on the grounds of newly-discovered evidence." U.S. v. Wright,
7 189 F.Supp 720, 722 (W.D.Penn. 1960) (citations omitted). The Fifth Circuit Court of
8 Appeals states:

9 Newly discovered evidence is evidence that could not have been
10 discovered with due diligence at the time of trial. Luhrsen v. Vantage
11 S.S. Corp., 5th Cir. 1975, 514 F.2d 105; U.S. V. Slutsky, 2d cir. 1975,
12 514 F.2d 1222. Hence, a number of Courts have held that, where a
13 party fails to call a witness who was available during trial, the
14 testimony of that witness cannot be considered newly discovered
15 evidence. U.S. v. La Vallee, 2d Cir. 1974, 504 F.2d 580; U.S. v.
16 Mello, 1st Cir. 1972, 469 F.2d 356; U.S. v. Produm, 2d Cir. 1971, 451
17 F.2d 1015, Baker v. U.S., 1970 139 U.S.App. D.C. 126, 430 F.2d 499;
18 Rodriguez v. U.S., 5th Cir. 1967, 373 F.2d 17. U.S. v. Beasley, 582
19 F.2d 337, 339, (5th Cir. 1978). (emphasis added).

20 Since the Defendant was aware of what he purports to be a medical condition before
21 trial, as were his attorney's, he cannot now use this as a basis for a new trial. Because this was
22 not "newly discovered evidence" the State need not go any further in addressing the remaining
23 criteria set forth in Sanborn, and his motion on the ground of newly discovered evidence
24 should be denied. McLemore at 577.

25 **II. THE DEFENDANT FAILED TO SHOW THAT THERE WAS AN**
26 **ERROR IN THE TRIAL AND/OR THE ALLEGED ERROR WAS**
27 **PREJUDICIAL AND, THEREFORE; HE IS NOT ENTITLED TO A NEW**
28 **TRIAL AS A MATTER OF LAW**

29 To establish a basis for a new trial on the grounds set forth below, the Defendant must
30 demonstrates that: (1) there was error in the trial; and (2) the alleged error influenced the jury
31 in a manner which was prejudicial to Defendant. See, Evans v. State, 112 Nev. 1172, 1200,
32 926 P.2d 265, 283 (1996).

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1 a. **The State Did Not Commit Prosecutorial Misconduct**

2 A prosecutor may not intimidate witnesses to achieve a conviction. Rippo v. State, 113
3 Nev. 1239, 1251, 946 P.2d 1017, 1025 (1997). A prosecutor may not attempt to dissuade
4 witnesses from testifying; nor can a prosecutor attempt to influence the content of a witness's
5 testimony. Steese v. State, 114 Nev. 479, 960 P.2d 321, 328 (1998). In order to prevail on a
6 claim predicated upon prosecutorial misconduct, the burden lies upon Defendant to show how
7 that misconduct prejudiced him. Cunningham v. State, 113 Nev. 897, 944 P.2d 261, 267
8 (1997). See Walker v. State, 113 Nev. 853, 944 P.2d 762, 774 (1998) ("If the issue of guilt or
9 innocence is close, if the State's case is not strong, prosecutorial misconduct will probably be
10 considered prejudicial. Where evidence of guilt is overwhelming even aggravated
11 prosecutorial misconduct may be harmless error.").

12 The Defendant first argues that the State committed prosecutorial misconduct because
13 it did not disclose favorable evidence, specifically a letter that his mother Patricia Duplissie
14 provided to the defense and possibly to the State prior to trial. (ADDENDUM p. 14). In the
15 letter attached to the defense ADDENDUM, Patricia Duplissie writes in part, that at some time
16 prior to the incident, the Defendant had, "...several medical incidents that required
17 hospitalization," and "[o]n one incident he was diagnosed with having seizures which required
18 medication." (EXHIBIT 7). First of all, there is nothing in this letter to suggest that Patricia
19 Duplissie witnessed any seizures or was aware of any medical conditions beyond what the
20 Defendant has told her. Next, it is unclear who the Defendant believes the State was required
21 to "disclose" this information to since it was provided to the defense attorney by Patricia
22 Duplissie according to the Defendant's own statement. (ADDENDUM p. 14). Finally, this
23 letter was neither exculpatory nor was it material.

24 Next the Defendant asserts that the State tampered with a witness, specifically the
25 Defendant's step-father Norman Duplissie, during a pre-trial conference. (ADDENDUM,
26 p. 28-29). The Defendant attempts to support this allegation via a letter from Norman
27 Duplissie. (EXHIBIT 8).

1 In the Defendant's ADDENUM, he writes that, "Maria E. Lavell read transcripts of
2 phone calls to Norman Duplissie, to influence testimony." (ADDEMDUM p. 28). The State
3 did not have any phone calls transcribed so could not have read them to Norman Duplissie. It
4 should be noted that nowhere in Norman Duplissie's letter does he write that the State read
5 him any transcriptions. (See State's EXHIBIT 8). Further, at no time did the State attempt
6 to influence Norman Duplissie's testimony or cause him or anyone else to change their
7 testimony. Nor *did* the State influence or cause Mr. Duplissie to change his testimony. Mr.
8 Duplissie wrote in his letter that, "I do not believe that Maria influenced my testimony at trial
9 since to my knowledge, it was the same testimony I provided at the pretrial before Judge
10 Sullivan." (See EXHIBIT 8, page 3).

11 Here the Defendant has not shown any behavior by the State that would constitute
12 prosecutorial misconduct and therefore was in no way prejudiced. See Cunningham. The
13 Defendant's allegations that the State committed prosecutorial misconduct are without merit
14 and therefore his motion should be denied as to this.

15 **b. Defendant Was Not Denied Effective Assistance Of Counsel**

16 In order to assert a claim for ineffective assistance of counsel the Defendant must prove
17 that he was denied "reasonably effective assistance" of counsel by satisfying the two-prong
18 test of Strickland v. Washington, 466 U.S. 668, 686-687, 104 S.Ct. 2052, 2063-2064 (1984);
19 see also State v. Love, 109 Nev. 1136, 1138, 865 P.2d 322, 323 (1993). Under this test, the
20 Defendant must show (1) that counsel's performance was deficient, meaning that counsel's
21 representation fell below an objective standard of reasonableness, and (2) the deficient
22 performance prejudiced the Defendant, meaning that "there is a reasonable probability that,
23 but for counsel's unprofessional errors, the result of the proceeding would have been different;
24 [a] reasonable probability is a probability sufficient to undermine confidence in the outcome."
25 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 687-688, 694, 104 S.Ct. at 2065, 2068; Warden v. Lyons, 100 Nev.

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1 430, 432, 683 P.2d 504, 505 (1984) (adopting Strickland two-part test in Nevada). “Effective
2 counsel does not mean errorless counsel, but rather counsel whose assistance is ‘[w]ithin the
3 range of competence demanded of attorneys in criminal cases.’” Jackson v. Warden, 91 Nev.
4 430, 432, 537 P.2d 473, 474 (1975) (quoting McMann v. Richardson, 397 U.S. 759, 771, 90
5 S.Ct. 1441, 1449 (1970)).

6 The United States Supreme Court has held that there is a strong presumption that
7 defense counsel’s actions are reasonably effective and that claims must be judged without the
8 distorting effects of hindsight:

9 Every effort [must be made] to eliminate the distorting effects of hindsight to
10 reconstruct the circumstances of counsel’s challenged conduct, and to evaluate the conduct
11 from counsel’s perspective at the time A Court must indulge in a strong presumption that
12 counsel’s conduct falls within the wide range of reasonable professional assistance.
13 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 689-690.

14 In considering whether trial counsel has met this standard, the Court should first
15 determine whether counsel made a “sufficient inquiry into the information that is pertinent to
16 his client’s case.” Doleman v. State, 112 Nev. 843, 846, 921 P.2d 278, 280 (1996) (citing
17 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 690-691, 104 S.Ct. at 2066). “Once such a reasonable inquiry has been
18 made by counsel, the Court should consider whether counsel made “a reasonable strategy
19 decision on how to proceed with his client’s case.” Doleman, 112 Nev. at 846, 921 P.2d at
20 280 (citing Strickland, 466 U.S. at 690-691, 104 S.Ct. at 2066). “Finally, counsel’s strategy
21 decision is a “tactical” decision and will be “virtually unchallengeable absent extraordinary
22 circumstances.” Doleman, 112 Nev. at 846, 921 P.2d at 280; Howard v. State, 106 Nev. 713,
23 722, 800 P.2d 175, 180 (1990); Strickland, 466 U.S. at 691, 104 S.Ct. at 2066.

24 Based on the above precedent, the Court begins with the presumption of effectiveness
25 and then must determine whether or not the Defendant has demonstrated by “strong and
26 convincing proof” that counsel was ineffective. Homick v. State, 112 Nev. 304, 310, 913 P.2d
27 1280, 1285 (1996) (citing Lenz v. State, 97 Nev. 65, 66, 624 P.2d 15, 16 (1981)); Davis v.
28 State, 107 Nev. 600, 602, 817 P.2d 1169, 1170 (1991). The role of a Court in considering

1 allegations of ineffective assistance of counsel is “not to pass upon the merits of the action not
2 taken but to determine whether, under the particular facts and circumstances of the case, trial
3 counsel failed to render reasonably effective assistance.” Donovan v. State, 94 Nev. 671, 675,
4 584 P.2d 708, 711 (1978) (citing Cooper v. Fitzharris, 551 F.2d 1162, 1166 (9th Cir. 1977)).
5 This analysis does not mean that the Court “should second guess reasoned choices between
6 trial tactics nor does it mean that defense counsel, to protect himself against allegations of
7 inadequacy, must make every conceivable motion no matter how remote the possibilities are
8 of success.” Donovan, 94 Nev. at 675, 584 P.2d at 711.

9 In essence, the Court must “judge the reasonableness of counsel’s challenged conduct
10 on the facts of the particular case, viewed as of the time of counsel’s conduct.” Strickland,
11 466 U.S. at 690, 104 S.Ct. at 2066. “There are countless ways to provide effective assistance
12 in any given case. Even the best criminal defense attorneys would not defend a particular
13 client in the same way.” Strickland, 466 U.S. at 689, 104 S.Ct. at 689. “Strategic choices
14 made by counsel after thoroughly investigating the plausible options are almost
15 unchallengeable.” Dawson v. State, 108 Nev. 112, 117, 825 P.2d 593, 596 (1992), citing
16 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 690, 104 S. Ct. at 2066; see also Ford v. State, 105 Nev. 850, 853, 784
17 P.2d 951, 953 (1989).

18 Even if a Defendant can demonstrate that his counsel’s representation fell below an
19 objective standard of reasonableness, he must still demonstrate prejudice and show a
20 reasonable probability that, but for counsel’s errors, the result of the trial would have been
21 different. McNelton v. State, 115 Nev. 396, 403, 990 P.2d 1263, 1268 (1999) (citing
22 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 687). “A reasonable probability is a probability sufficient to undermine
23 confidence in the outcome.” Id. (citing Strickland, 466 U.S. at 687-89, 694).

24 Finally, a Court may consider the two prongs of Strickland test for ineffective
25 assistance of counsel in any order and need not consider both if the Defendant makes an
26 insufficient showing on either one. McNelton, 115 Nev. at 403, 990 P.2d at 1268 (citing
27 Strickland, 466 U.S. at 697).

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1. Trial Counsel Was Not Ineffective For Advising The Defendant Not To Take The Stand At Trial

The Defendant alleges his trial counsel was ineffective for advising him not to testify at trial. (ADDENDUM p. 31). The Nevada Supreme Court has recognized that [the Defendant] has the ultimate authority to make certain fundamental decisions regarding the case, including the decision to testify.” Lara v. State, 120 Nev. 177, 182, 87 P.3d 528, 531 (2004). It was trial counsel’s responsibility to advise the Defendant against taking the stand if he believed it would be detrimental to the case, however; it was Defendant’s decision whether or not to testify at his trial. Thus, there is no ineffective assistance of counsel claim as to this.¹

2. The Decision Not To Introduce Medical Evidence Regarding The Defendant At Trial Is A Tactical One

Next, the Defendant alleges his trial counsel was ineffective for failing to introduce medical evidence regarding the Defendant. (ADDENDUM, p. 21) The Defendant asserts that this evidence would prove that he had seizures in the past and memory loss and presumably wanted to present a defense that he had a seizure at the time of the incident so was not in his right mind. (ADDENDUM, p. 21-25). This assertion does not hold water.

First, the documents that the Defendant presented in his SECOND ADDENDUM do not support that he ever had seizures. Rather, Defendant's Exhibit F relates to a "MR Brian wo+w Contrast" and simply notes in the section titled "HISTORY" that the Defendant had a "*possible* seizure," (emphasis added). (EXHIBIT 9). This report was dated July 3, 2012, some six months prior to the events that led to the Defendant's conviction.

Next, there was no information contained in the discovery and later presented at trial by the witnesses that even suggest that the Defendant was somehow not in control of his actions and in need of medical assistance during the incident at issue. On the contrary, all the evidence supports that his actions were deliberate. Therefore the State would have argued it was irrelevant.

¹ It should be noted that the Defendant fired trial counsel mid-way through the trial and did in fact testify.

1 Additionally, the Defendant himself testified at trial and said he did not have a seizure
2 at the time of the incident. Specifically, he said the following:

3 “And my memory was -- has been doing – playing – creating quite a
4 problem for my life. I have seizures, but not the – they’re different
5 kind of seizures than maybe – I don’t fall down and bite my tongue or
6 that kind of thing. I do things that I don’t recall doing. And I don’t
ever remember having a seizure ever. And I don’t – *I wouldn’t try to*
say that this was a seizure neither because I do have recall of what
happened on the – on January 6th.

7 (emphasis added). (See Trial Transcript (hereinafter “TT-31”) January 31, 2014, p 68, lines
8 14-22). (EXHIBIT 10).

9 Presumably, after speaking with the Defendant and reviewing the discovery provided
10 by the State, trial counsel determined that this was not a viable defense. Such a tactical
11 decision is unreviewable on a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel absent extraordinary
12 circumstances. Doleman v. State, 112 Nev. 843, 846, 921 P.2d 278, 280 (1996). Since none
13 existed, there is no ineffective assistance of counsel claim as to this.

14 Moreover, it is highly unlikely that trial counsel would have been able to find an
15 “expert” that could have credibly claimed that the Defendant was unaware of his actions at the
16 time he committed these crimes given the above.

17 Even though the State did not receive any medical documentation to support the claims
18 the Defendant noted in his ADDENDUM, and on some occasions, over the State’s objection,
19 the Defendant did get to make the jury aware of his purported medical issues. Beyond what
20 was stated above, the Defendant testified, without objection, that his “seizures” cause complete
21 memory loss to the point that he doesn’t even remember seizing, so he knows he did not have
22 a seizure at the time of the incident because he remembers the events of the day in question.

23 Further, the Defendant testified that he has been diagnosed with seizures although based
24 on the documentation attached to his ADDENDUM, specifically what is now State’s
25 EXHIBIT 9, this does not appear to be true. The following colloquy took place between the
26 Court and the Defendant as a result of a juror’s question, over the State’s objection:²

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28 ² It should be noted that because the State had not been provided any medical documentation supporting any diagnosis,
the State objected to this question however was over ruled.

1 THE COURT: Okay. Were you ever officially diagnosed with seizure disorder?
2 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I take -- when -- right--while I'm here, I take Keppra, and I
3 THE COURT: So is that -- just the question is whether you were diagnosed with
4 THE WITNESS: I take medication for -- I took Depakote and -- before I came -- was
5 in jail, and now I take -- but if you want to know the truth, I don't
6 THE COURT: remember ever going to a doctor to get it. So I don't even know
7 THE WITNESS: what doctor gave -- did -- some doctor did prescribe me Depakote.
8 And it's your understanding that that's for a seizure disorder?
9 Yes.

10 (See TT-31 p. 162, line 10-25). (EXHIBIT 11).

11 Also, in addition to mentioning his "memory loss" dozens of times throughout his
12 testimony, with and without objection, the following colloquy took place between the Court
13 and the Defendant, as a result of a juror's question, over the State's objection:

14 THE COURT: Okay. Where you ever officially diagnosed with memory
15 loss?
16 THE WITNESS: I was in the process of going to, I think, it was a psychiatrist
17 somewhere by St. Rose Hospital, and that was trying to find
18 out what -- why was it that I would have a complete -- like
19 I can remember my phone number as a child or my address,
20 but some of -- or things exactly what they were, I thought --
21 I think I could, and
22 THE COURT: Did you get to the point that you actually had a diagnosis?
23 THE WITNESS: No.

24 (See TT-31 p. 163, line 1-11). (EXHIBIT 12).³

25 Because the Defendant testified his actions were not as a result of a seizure and was
26 allowed to address his purported memory loss and seizures and the jury heard the testimony
27 and had an opportunity to deliberate, regarding the testimony, the Defendant has not
28 demonstrated prejudice and shown a reasonable probability that, but for counsel's decision not
to try and introduce medical information as a defense to the Defendant's actions, the result of
the trial would have been different, there is no ineffective assistance of counsel claim as to
this. McNelson v. State, 115 Nev. 396, 403, 990 P.2d 1263, 1268 (1999) (citing Strickland,
466 U.S. at 687).

³ "I don't remember" is not a defense.

1 3. The State Is Aware That Defense Counsel Interviewed Witnesses In
2 Preparation For Trial

3 The Defendant claims trial counsel was ineffective because he did not interview
4 witnesses. (ADDENDUM, p. 42). The State has personal knowledge that this is not a true
5 because the State was advised by both Patricia Duplissie, the Defendant's mother and Norman
6 Duplissie, the Defendant's step father, that prior to meeting with the State for their pretrial
7 conferences, they met with the Defendant's attorney at his office. Therefore the Defendant's
8 assertions are unfounded.

9 4. The Decision As To The Questioning Of Witnesses At Trial And
10 Opening Statements Is A Tactical One

11 The Defendant asserts that his attorney was ineffective because he did not ask sufficient
12 questions on cross examination nor make an adequate opening argument. (ADDENDUM,
13 p. 42).

14 Such a tactical decision is unreviewable on a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel
15 absent extraordinary circumstances. Doleman v. State, 112 Nev. 843, 846, 921 P.2d 278, 280
(1996). Since none exist, there is no ineffective assistance of counsel claim as to this.

16 c. Jury Instruction Number Ten and Jury Instruction Number 11 Were
17 Neither Misleading Nor Ambiguous

18 The Defendant alleges that this Honorable Court did not give the proper Jury
19 Instructions as to the charge of first degree kidnapping. The Defendant alleges that Instruction
20 Number 10 and Instruction Number 11 were misleading and confused the jury.
21 (ADDENDUM p. 6-8). First, as to Jury Instruction number 10, the Defendant argues that the
22 Instruction should have include all the elements for first degree kidnapping as laid out in NRS
23 200.310. And second, the Instruction should have included language to the effect of "without
24 the guardian's consent." (ADDENDUM p. 6-7). As to Jury Instruction number 11, the
25 Defendant argues the Instruction should have contained some of the same language contained
26 in Instruction 10, in order to make it clear to the jury. (ADDENDUM p. 8). The Defendant's
27 argument is without merit as the instructions given were proper and it is within the discretion
28 of the District Court to select proper Jury Instructions. The selection and usage of Jury

1 Instructions is within the sound discretion of the District Court. It is the Defendant's burden
2 to demonstrate an abuse of discretion. The Jury Instructions proffered were in conformity
3 with the law and the Defendant has not shown an abuse of discretion.

4 The Nevada Supreme Court has consistently held that the District Courts have broad
5 discretion in the selection and usage of Jury Instructions. In Crawford v. State, ___ Nev. ___
6 96 P.3d 751 (2004) the Court held, "The District Court has broad discretion in settling Jury
7 Instructions; consequently, we review a District Court's decision regarding Jury Instructions
8 for an abuse of discretion or judicial error. An abuse of discretion occurs if the District Court's
9 decision is arbitrary or capricious or if it exceeds the bounds of law or reason." Id. at 754.

10 This is the proper standard by which the Court should review the selection and use of
11 Jury Instructions. Other cases indicate that the Defendant does not have a right to the Jury
12 Instruction of his choice. "A Defendant has no absolute right to have his own instruction
13 given, particularly when the law encompassed in that instruction is fully covered by another
14 instruction. Milton v. State, 111 Nev. 1487, 1492, 908 P.2d 684, 687 (1995) (citing Stroup v.
15 State, 110 Nev. 525, 529, 874 P.2d 769, 771 (1994))." Hardaway v. State, 112 Nev. 1208,
16 1210, 926 P.2d 288 (1996)

17 Allowing District Courts broad discretion allows them to instruct juries as to the law
18 while avoiding confusing lay jurors. The Court has mandated in Vallery v. State, 118 Nev.
19 357, 46 P.3d 66 (2002), that "[j]ury instructions should be clear and unambiguous." Id. at 76-
20 77. Avoiding repetition and additional instructions that are already adequately included in
21 other instructions is included in this mandate. The only current requirement placed on Jury
22 Instructions in Nevada is that they correctly state the law and avoid repetition. Barron v. State,
23 105 Nev. 767, 783 P.2d 444 (1989)

24 1. Jury Instruction Number 10 Contained the Language in NRS 200.310
25 Which Was Specific to What the Defendant Was Accused of

26 As it pertains to First Degree Kidnapping, NRS 200.310 states:
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1. A person who willfully seizes, confines, inveigles, entices, decoys, abducts, conceals, kidnaps or carries away a person by any means whatsoever with the intent to hold or detain, or who holds or detains, the person for ransom, or reward, or for the purpose of committing sexual assault, extortion or robbery upon or from the person, or for the purpose of killing the person or inflicting substantial bodily harm upon the person, or to exact from relatives, friends, or any other person any money or valuable thing for the return or disposition of the kidnapped person, and a person who leads, takes, entices, or carries away or detains any minor with the intent to keep, imprison, or confine the minor from his or her parents, guardians, or any other person having lawful custody of the minor, or with the intent to hold the minor to unlawful service, or perpetrate upon the person of the minor any unlawful act is guilty of kidnapping in the first degree which is a category A felony.

NRS 200.310(1).

During trial, the Defendant requested that the language in Jury Instruction 10 be changed to add "without authority of law." (TT – 31, p. 2, line 10-25; p. 3 line 1-21). (EXHIBIT 16). The Court declined to add this language stating that the way it read was a correct statement of the law. (TT-31, p. 3, line 22-23). (See EXHIBIT 16)

In the instant case, we were dealing with an individual who took a child from his guardians against the child's will, without consent of the guardians, and over the guardians' objections. There was no evidence deduced at trial that this was done for the purpose of collecting a ransom or reward, or for the purpose of committing sexual assault, extortion or robbery upon or from the person, or for the purpose of killing the person or inflicting substantial bodily harm upon the person, or to exact from relatives, friends, or any other person any money or valuable thing for the return or disposition of the kidnapped person. Therefore all of that language was unnecessary and, if left in, *would* be confusing to the jury. Given the facts in the instant case, the following Jury Instruction was given and numbered "10":

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1 Every person who leads, takes, entices, or carries away, or detains,
2 any minor, with the intent to keep, imprison, or confine the minor
3 from his parents, guardians, or any other person having lawful custody
4 of the minor is guilty of kidnapping in the first degree.

A kidnapping does not require force.

5 (EXHIBIT 13)

6 This instruction was given properly and reflected the elements of first degree
7 kidnapping as it applied to the facts of the instant case. It was neither misleading nor
8 ambiguous.

9 2. Jury Instruction Number 11 was a Correct Statement of the Law

10 The Defendant also takes issue with the following Jury Instruction which was given
11 and numbered "11":

12 It is the fact, not the distance, of forcible movement of the victim
13 that constitutes kidnapping.

14 See Langford v. State, 95 Nev. 631, 600 P.2d 231 (1979) (EXHIBIT 14).

15 The Defendant argues that this instruction should have contained language similar to
16 the language in Jury Instruction 10. Reasoning that without the additional language, it was
17 misleading. (ADDENDUM p. 8). This particular issue was not raised at trial but even if it
18 had been, because the requested information is contained in Jury Instruction number 10, the
19 Court would not be obliged to add the now desired language since it is contained in Instruction
20 10. See Milton at 1492.

21 The U.S. Supreme Court elaborated in Estelle v. McGuire, 502 U.S. 62, 112 S.Ct. 475
22 (1991) that:

23 "[I]t must be established not merely that the instruction is
24 undesirable, erroneous, or even universally condemned, but that it
25 violated some [constitutional right]. It is well established that the
26 instruction may not be judged in artificial isolation, but must be
considered in the context of the instructions as a whole and the trial
record."

27 Id. at 72 (citations removed).

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1 Jury Instruction number 2 directed the jurors to "consider all the instructions as a whole and
2 regard each in the light of all the others." (EXHIBIT 15). The Defendant can't simply
3 presume the jurors were confused by Instructions 10 and/or 11 and/or failed to follow
4 instruction number 2 simply because he did not get the verdict he was hoping for.

5 In his ADDENDUM, the Defendant argues that the jury could have believed that
6 someone could commit the crime of first degree kidnapping even if they had consent from the
7 guardian to take the child. (ADDENDUM, p. 9). There is nothing in the record to show that
8 the jury was either confused or rendered a verdict inconsistent with the evidence. The fact
9 that the jury did not raise any questions regarding Jury Instructions Number 10 and/or 11
10 further supports an absence of ambiguity with regard to those Jury Instructions. Instruction
11 Number 10 accurately sets forth the elements that must be met in order to establish a finding
12 of First Degree Kidnapping. Jury Instruction number 11 is a correct statement of the law.

13 d. **There was More Than Sufficient Evidence to Find The Defendant**
14 **Guilty Of First Degree Kidnapping**

15 The Defendant argues that the fact that the jury found him guilty of kidnapping even
16 after his mother Patricia Duplissie, his son, the victim Michael Joshua and he himself testified
17 that he had consent to take Michael proves that Jury Instruction number 10 needed to include
18 the language "without consent." (ADDENDUM, p. 4). The claim borders on the absurd. The
19 evidence adduced at trial was more than sufficient to support the jury's finding that the
20 Defendant took the victim without the guardian's consent and against their will. Further,
21 although not necessary to the charge, he did so by means of force. The reality is that the jury
22 simply did not believe the Defendant had consent to take Michael Joshua.

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1 When reviewing for insufficiency of the evidence, the Supreme Court's sole inquiry is
2 whether "after viewing the evidence in the light most favorable to the prosecution, any rational
3 trier of fact could have found the essential elements of the crime beyond a reasonable doubt."
4 Jackson v. Virginia, 443 U.S. 307, 319, 99 S.Ct. 2781, 2789 (1979); Koza v. State, 100 Nev.
5 245, 250, 681 P.2d 44, 47 (1984). In assessing the sufficiency of the evidence, a reviewing
6 Court may not re-weigh the evidence. Davis v. State, 110 Nev. 1107, 1116, 881 P.2d 657, 663
7 (1994).

8 Determinations of credibility and the weight to be given items of evidence are within
9 the sole province of the trier of fact. Bolden v. State, 97 Nev. at p. 73, 624 P.2d at p. 20;
10 Keeney v. State, 109 Nev. 220, 230-231, 850 P.2d 311, 318 (1993).

11 At trial, the State clearly showed that the Defendant kidnapped Michael Joshua, a minor
12 and kept him from his legal guardians until others intervened. Patricia Duplissie, the
13 Defendant's mother and the legal guardian of Michael Joshua, testified at trial that she told
14 Michael Joshua that he should go to the store with the Defendant and in her mind that was the
15 same as giving the Defendant permission to take Michael Joshua (See Trial Transcript
16 (hereinafter "TT-29") January 29, 2014, p. 133-135). (EXHIBIT 17). She testified that
17 although she has never called 911 before, on the day in question, she did not call 911 because
18 the Defendant was taking Michael Joshua against her will but because they were making a
19 "commotion." (TT-29, p 155). (EXHIBIT 18). She was never able to clearly explain what
20 sort of commotion they were making that caused her to call 911 except to say she was afraid
21 they would damage the curio cabinet in her dining area and wanted them to go outside. (TT-
22 29, p. 137-138) (EXHIBIT 19). (TT-29, p. 141-142) (EXHIBIT 20). (TT, p.156-159).
23 (EXHIBIT 21). The 911 call, which was admitted into evidence at trial as State's Exhibit 15
24 told a much different story. In the phone call to 911 Patricia Duplissie stated that the
25 Defendant was trying to take Michael Joshua against her will and that he had pushed her
26 husband Norman Duplissie in the process. She stated that the Defendant did not have custody
27 of Michael Joshua and was not even supposed to be at their house. She was clearly in distress
28 when she made the call and was pleading for police to respond quickly. Additionally, the State

1 admitted two jail calls during trial which were marked as State's 16. In one of these calls
2 Patricia Duplissie is heard telling the Defendant he did not have the right to take Michael
3 Joshua.

4 The jury was able to observe Patricia Duplissie on the stand and evaluate her testimony
5 and credibility. Additionally, they were able to hear the contradictions between her testimony
6 at trial and the calls she made at or near the time of the event. See Bolden at 73. They
7 obviously determined the Defendant did not have her permission to take Michael Joshua.
8 Additionally, Norman Duplissie, the Defendant's step-father and Michael Joshua's other legal
9 guardian testified that he did not give the Defendant permission to take Michael Joshua and in
10 fact tried to physically stop him, however all his attempts to stop the Defendant failed. (See
11 Trial Transcript (hereinafter "TT-30") January 30, 2014, p. 69-76). (EXHIBIT 22). Based on
12 the 911 call, the jail calls and testimony by the remaining State's remaining witnesses,
13 including but not limited to, the victim Michael Joshua, the State presented more than enough
14 evidence for any rational trier of fact to have found the essential elements of the crime of
15 kidnapping beyond a reasonable doubt." See Jackson at 307.

16 **e. There was No Conflict Of Interest**

17 The Defendant claims first that he should receive a new trial because his trial counsel
18 had previously represented the prosecuting attorney and next that his trial counsel was paid by
19 Norman Duplissie, the Defendant's step father and a State's witness, thereby creating a
20 conflict of interest. (ADDENDUM, p. 35)

21 The Nevada Supreme Court stated, "Conflict of interest and divided loyalty situations
22 can take many forms, and whether an actual conflict exists must be evaluated on the specific
23 facts of each case. In general, a conflict exists when an attorney is placed in a situation
24 conducive to divided loyalties." Clark v. State, 108 Nev. 324,326, 831 P.2d 1374 (1992) citing
25 Smith v. Lockhart, 923 F.2d 1314, 1320 (8th Cir. 1991). In the present case, Defendant fails
26 to allege any circumstances yielding a situation conducive to counsel developing divided
27 loyalties. Moreover, the United States Supreme Court held in Cuyler v. Sullivan, 446 U.S.
28 335, 350, 100 S.Ct. 1708 (1980) that "[t]he possibility of a conflict of interest is insufficient

1 to impugn a criminal conviction. In order to establish a violation of the Sixth Amendment, a
2 Defendant must show that an actual conflict of interest adversely affected his lawyer's
3 performance."

4 1. There Was No Conflict Of Interest Resulting From The Fact That
5 Defense Counsel Previously Assisted The Prosecuting Attorney

6 On two occasions, prior to trial, and prior to the trial counsel being appointed to
7 represent the Defendant, the prosecuting attorney received two traffic citations. One for
8 exceeding the posted speed limit (eleven miles) and one for expired registration. The
9 prosecuting attorney provided copies of each citation on different days to trial counsel who in
10 turn faxed them to the appropriate Court. Because the prosecuting attorney had immediately
11 renewed the vehicle registration upon receiving the citation, this ticket was dismissed. The
12 second ticket was reduced to illegal parking and the prosecuting attorney paid a fine. Trial
13 counsel at no time had to actually appear in Court for these tickets and the prosecuting attorney
14 did not pay him a fee for his assistance. This assistance ceased prior to trial counsel being
15 retained by the Defendant. (See Trial Transcript (hereinafter "TT-27") January 27, 2014, p.
16 3-9). (EXHIBIT 23)

17 Here the Defendant does not provide any evidence, beyond his mere assertions, that a
18 conflict of interest actually existed. Further, he does not point to any particular event during
19 trial to support his assertions that there was a conflict. See Cuyler at 350.

20 Finally, although the Defendant initially waived the conflict and trial began, he later
21 re-raised the issue at which time this Honorable Court determined that there was in fact no
22 conflict of interest. (See Trial Transcript (hereinafter "TT-28") January 28, 2014, p. 58-59).
23 (EXHIBIT 24). As such, Defendant's arguments are without merit and do not entitle him to
24 relief.

25 2. There Was No Conflict Of Interest Resulting From The Fact That
26 Defense Counsel Was Paid By A State's Witness

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1 The Defendant next argues that there was a conflict of interest because Norman
2 Duplissie, his step-father and a witness for the State, paid defense council for his
3 representation. (ADDENDUM, p. 35). It should be noted that this was at the Defendant's
4 request⁴. This is the first time the Defendant has raised this issue. He only now asserts in his
5 Addendum that this presented a conflict but similar to his assertion above, he does not provide
6 any evidence, beyond his mere assertions that a conflict of interest actually existed. Further,
7 he does not point to any particular event during trial to support his assertions that there was in
8 fact a conflict. See Cuyler at 350.

9 f. **The State Did Not Charge the Defendant with Second Degree**
10 **Kidnapping**

11 The State did not charge the Defendant with second degree kidnapping so will not
12 address his arguments as to that issue.

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28 ⁴ The Defendant made numerous requests via jail calls that his parents pay for private counsel. The Defendant has
copies of all the jail calls he made.


CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests this Court deny Defendant's Motion for a New Trial in its entirety.

DATED this 26th day of June, 2014.

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