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Re: *Guardianship Commission*

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Nevada Supreme Court:

Please accept this correspondence as my letter of interest in serving on Nevada's Permanent Guardianship Commission.

My firm routinely focuses on the unique issues of families dealing with a diagnosis of Dementia/Alzheimer's Disease. Often, the focus after diagnosis is on medical concerns and not legal issues that may arise, often soon rather than later. Families come to us many years after diagnosis when the patient starts showing signs of decline and when their legal options are extremely limited. In those cases, guardianship may be the only option.

When there is a trustworthy family member or friend willing to serve as a guardian to the person needing protection, there are still many legal concerns. When there is no one willing or able to serve, protecting that person and their assets becomes even more of a concern. My firm and I are very interested in assuring these much needed protections are in place while not overwhelming the family in an already stressful situation. To that end, I am currently working with community groups such as Dementia Friendly Nevada to educate the community and secure optimal treatment, support and care for individuals who may not be able to speak for themselves. Working with the Guardianship Commission to provide recommendations is an important piece of the puzzle to assure these individuals are protected.

I have over 10-years litigation experience in Nevada. My practice now largely focuses on elder law, including guardianship and estate planning with a focus on long term care. A copy of my resume is attached. I would appreciate the opportunity to sit on Nevada's Permanent Guardianship Commission and have a voice on this issue.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Jennifer A. Salem, Esq.

Enclosures: As stated

# **JENNIFER A. SALEM, ESQ.**

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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- *Partner & Owner*, Origins Legal Group, LLC (2016 – Present)
- *Arbitrator*, Clark County District Court Panel (2017 – Present)
- *Partner*, Koeller, Nebeker, Carlson & Haluck, LLP (2004 – 2015)

## **PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

- Nevada State Bar (2004)
- U.S. District Court, District of Nevada (2004)
- Washington State Bar (2015)

## **MEMBERSHIPS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- American Bar Association
- Nevada Bar Association
- Washington State Bar Association
- Junior League of Las Vegas
- Dementia Friendly Nevada, Community Member
- Seattle College, Scholarship Review Member
- Pro Bono Award of Excellence, 50+ hours

## **EDUCATION**

- University of San Diego, School of Law (2004)
- University of Nevada, Reno (1999)

## **SPECIALTIES**

- Litigation
- Trusts & Estates
- Guardianship
- Business
- Construction
- Probate
- Elder Law
- Contracts

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