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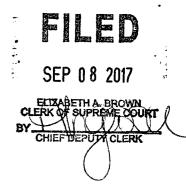
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## Re: IN THE MATTER OF THE CREATION OF A COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CREATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF GUARDIANSHIPS.

## **ADKT 507**

The Honorable Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada:

I, Ross E. Evans, Esq., Nevada bar number 11374, hereby request the Court's consideration for appointment to serve on the Court's permanent Guardianship Commission. I am an associate attorney at the law firm of Solomon Dwiggins & Freer, Ltd., in Las Vegas, Nevada, which firm specializes in the areas of guardianship, trusts, and estates, in both administration and litigation. Since my admission to the State Bar of Nevada in 2009, I have become heavily interested in guardianship matters. I have had experience representing clients in matters pertaining to both adult and minor protected persons, and which matters have spanned from simple to highly contentious.

Moreover, I have witnessed first-hand and paid close attention to the significant and newsworthy issues involving the exploitation and financial abuse faced by some of our State's most vulnerable citizens. Likewise, I have personally encountered and had to wade through the myriad and often complex issues which present themselves at virtually all levels throughout a guardianship proceeding, including seeking emergency applications for establishment of a guardianship or temporary guardianship where there is a need to act quickly act to protect the health or secure the finances of a protected person, litigating priority of persons who have sought appointment as guardian, maintaining compliance with accounting and reporting requirements,

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and both litigating and defending against allegations of misconduct by a guardian or fiduciary. As a practitioner in the field of trust and estate administration and litigation, I also have experience in issues involving the protected person's estate planning, including revocable and irrevocable trusts, special needs trusts, and third party trustee / fiduciaries, which issues are often intermingled in guardianship proceedings.

I recognize a need for a broad top to bottom review of our guardianship laws and practices, from both modernization and safeguarding perspectives, as well as for practicality for all of those involved. I believe my practice experience in this field would greatly benefit the Commission as it seeks to reshape the future of Guardianship in Nevada.

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