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October 3, 2019

Elizabeth A. Brown
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Re: October 17, 2019 Public Hearing to adopt statewide rules for Guardianship as proposed in the First Supplement to the First Interim Report of the Guardianship Commission, ADKT 0507, Filed January 2, 2019

Dear Ms. Brown,

The current proposed version of the statewide rule for Guardianship, Rule 12, cites NRS Chapter 159 Guardianship of Adults. Rule 12, section a) was drafted to ensure the Courts have face-to-face contact with Protected Persons in guardianship of person matters. Rule 12, section b) was drafted to ensure a hearing occurs to review annual accountings required in guardianship of estate matters.

Due to the vulnerability of the population of Protected Persons under the jurisdiction of Guardianship cases, Rule 12 should appropriately include both adult and minor Protected Persons. The Second Judicial District Court began conducting three year review hearings for minors involved in guardianship of person matters in March 2019. The information reviewed during the hearings has been helpful to ensure the health and welfare of those minors. The Second Judicial District Court conducts an annual accounting hearing in guardianship of estate matters involving minors. The accountability of the guardian when holding a hearing to review the accounting documents is invaluable.

Please consider adding the NRS Chapter 159A Guardianship of Minors citation to Rule 12, as stated below (addition of 159A citations are italicized):

Guardianship Review Hearing

- a) Guardianship of person. A review hearing shall be held by the court on every guardianship of person not later than three years after the initial appointment of a general or special guardian of person, and not later than three years after each preceding review hearing. A review hearing may occur in response to the report of person required by NRS 159.081 / *159A.081* or at any other time as the court may order.
- b) Guardianship of estate. The court shall review every guardianship of estate annually on which a hearing of account is required by NRS 159.181 / *159A.181*.

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Please feel free to contact us with any questions or if you need additional information. We appreciate the opportunity to submit this comment for consideration in the adoption of the statewide Guardianship Rules.

Sincerely,

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Honorable Judge Tamatha Schreinert, District Court Judge
Department 14, Second Judicial District Court

A smaller handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Sweet'.

Sabrina Sweet, Case Compliance Specialist
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CC:

Sharon Coates, Executive Assistant II
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