Case No. 69997

In the Supreme Court of Nevada

MICHAEL FOLEY,

Appellant,

vs.

PATRICIA FOLEY,

Respondent.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY BRIEF

In light of this Court's order granting the district attorney's request to file an *amicus* brief in support of respondent Patricia Foley, appellant Michael Foley seeks leave to file a reply brief. *See* NRAP 31(a)(1)(C), 32(a)(7)(A).

Core to *amicus* participation is the principle that "an opposing party may answer" the *amicus*'s arguments. NRAP 29(f). That principle bears amplification here. Because the named respondent filed no brief of her own, the district attorney's brief takes the place of an answering brief—raising all of the arguments that Patricia elected to forgo. This unusual situation calls for a full opportunity to respond within the time and size limits of an appellant's reply brief. *See* NRAP 31(a)(C) (permit-

ting a reply brief 30 days after respondent's brief); NRAP 32(a)(7)(A) (permitting a reply of 15 pages or 7000 words).

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I hereby certify that on November 8, 2017, I submitted the foregoing "Motion for Leave to File Reply Brief" for filing *via* the Court's eFlex electronic filing system.

I further certify that I served a copy of this document by mailing a true and correct copy thereof, postage prepaid, at Las Vegas, Nevada, addressed as follows:

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