#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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STATE OF NEVADA,	Electronically Filed May 02 2017 03:59 p.m.
Respondent,	Elizabeth A. Brown Supreme Court Caselette. 6458 preme Court
VS.	D.C. Case No. C-11-270562-1
NORMAN BELCHER,	
Appellant.	

# MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD (Expedited Consideration Requested)

COMES NOW, MARK B. BAILUS, ESQ., of the law firm of BAILUS COOK & KELESIS, LTD., and hereby moves this Honorable Court for leave to withdraw as attorney of record for Defendant, NORMAN BELCHER. This motion is based on the Affidavit of Mark B. Bailus, Esq. and the Points and Authorities attached hereto, together with all pleadings and papers on file herein. DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017.

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MARK B. BAILUS

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# AFFIDAVIT OF COUNSEL MARK B. BAILUS, ESQ.

STATE OF NEVADA	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF CLARK	)

MARK B. BAILUS, ESQ., having been first duly sworn, and upon information and belief, deposes and says:

- 1. That I am an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada and was appointed as appellate counsel for NORMAN BELCHER in Supreme Court Case No. 64588.
- 2. That on or about April 27, 2017, counsel for Defendant was appointed by Governor Sandoval to be the District Court Judge in Department 18 of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. That pursuant to Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct Rule 3.10, "[u]nless otherwise permitted by law, a judge shall not practice law."
- 4. That based on the foregoing, good cause exists to allow the undersigned counsel to withdraw as attorney of record for the Defendant.

That this request is made in good faith and not for purpose of delay. 5.

#### FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017.

MARK B. BAILUS, ESQ.

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017.

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State

# POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

This motion is made pursuant to Rule 3.10 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct which provides, in pertinent part, "[u]nless otherwise permitted by law, a judge shall not practice law." On or about April 27, 2017, counsel for Defendant, Mark B. Bailus, Esq., was appointed by Governor Sandoval to be the District Court Judge in Department 18 of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada. As such, good cause exists to allow the undersigned counsel to withdraw as attorney of record for the Defendant.

Defendant's last known address is Ely State Prison, 4569 North State Rt., Ely, Nevada 89301. The undersigned counsel is providing the Defendant with a copy of this motion that he is moving this Honorable Court to allow him to withdraw as attorney of record for the Defendant.

The Court should also be advised that the opening brief is due June 28, 2017. Accordingly, undersigned counsel requests expedited consideration of this motion to allow new counsel sufficient time to prepare for the same.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017.

BAILUS COOK & KELESIS, LTD.

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MARK B. BAILUS, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 2284

Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury, that I am over the age of eighteen (18) years, and I am not a party to, nor interested in, this action. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD** by the method indicated below:

- BY FAX: by transmitting via facsimile the document(s) listed above to the fax number(s) set forth below on this date before 5:00 p.m. pursuant to EDCR Rule 7.26(a). A printed transmission record is attached to the file copy of this document(s).
- BY U.S. MAIL: by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Las Vegas, Nevada addressed as set forth below.
- BY EMAIL: by emailing a PDF of the document(s) listed above to the email address(es) of the individual(s) listed below.
- BY OVERNIGHT MAIL: by causing document(s) to be picked up by an overnight delivery service company for delivery to the addressee(s) on the next business day.
- BY ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION: submitted to the Supreme Court of Nevada for electronic filing and service upon the Court's Service List for the above-referenced case.

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