IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JUSTICE COURT RULES OF THE PAHRUMP JUSTICE COURT

PETITION TO AMEND THE JUSTICE COURT RULES OF THE PAHRUMP JUSTICE COURT, BY ADDITION OF PJC RULE 14 REDUCTION OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC CHARGED CRIMINAL OFFENSES REGARDING N.R.S. 200.485 ALSO 484C.110 THROUGH 484C.130 INCLUSIVE.

COMES NOW The Honorable Kent Jasperson, Justice Of The Peace for the Pahrump Township, to Petition the Nevada Supreme Court on its administrative docket to amend the Justice Court Rules of the Pahrump Justice Court by addition of a rule of procedure to conform to the applicable above listed Nevada Revised Statutes 200.485 as well as 484C.110 through 484C.130.

The statutes listed above have language which have removed the prosecution discretion from plea bargaining or dismissing the statutes by including language in them, " If a person is charged with committing a battery which constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018, a prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss such a charge in exchange for a plea of guilty, guilty but mentally ill or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless the prosecuting attorney knows, or it is obvious, that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial."

There is similar or same language listed in the referenced 484C chapter of the Nevada Revised Statutes governing, NRS 484C.110 Unlawful acts; affirmative defense; additional penalty for violation committed in work zone or pedestrian safety zone. [Effective until the date of the repeal of the federal law requiring each state to make it unlawful for a person to operate a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or greater as a condition to receiving federal funding for the construction of highways in this State.]

Therefor the rule of procedure for the Justice Court Of Pahrump Township as follows;

Rule 14) Anytime a person is charged with a violation of N.R.S. 200.485 or N.R.S. 484C110 through 484C.130 inclusive, should the charge be dismissed or amended to a lesser charge it shall be done in writing and accompanied by an affidavit stating the reason for the change to the charge.

The rule is needed to provide a standard procedure for these types of cases and to comply with the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes.

Respectfully submitted this _______ of December 2018

Judge Kent Jasperson

Pahrump Township Justice Court

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Pahrump Justice Court Local Rules of Procedure

Rule 14) Anytime a person is charged with a violation of Nevada Revised Statute 200.485 {Battery Which Constitutes Domestic Violence}, or 484C.110 through 484C.130 inclusive {Driving Under The Influence}, should the charge be amended to a lesser charge, or dismissed it shall be done in writing and accompanied by an affidavit stating the reason for the change to the original charge.