## Case No. 78572

## In the Supreme Court of Nevada

REPUBLIC SILVER STATE DISPOSAL, INC.,
Appellant,

vs.

ANDREW M. CASH, M.D.; ANDREW M. CASH, M.D., P.C., a/k/a ANDREW MILLER CASH, M.D., P.C.; and DESERT INSTITUTE OF SPINE CARE, LLC.

Respondents.

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## REPLY BRIEF ON MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY BRIEF

As noted in the motion, appellant appreciates the extraordinary nature of a second extension following a telephonic extension, but the request is nonetheless reasonable here. The draft brief is 122 words over the 7,000-word limit in NRAP 32(a)(7)(A)(ii). Appellate counsel is confident that with the requested extension, they can condense the brief to the limit.

This case is unlike *State v. Gomez*, an unpublished—and therefore noncitable<sup>1</sup>—Court of Appeals order dismissing a pretrial criminal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See NRAP 36(c)(3) ("[U]npublished dispositions issued by the Court of Appeals may not be cited in any Nevada court for any purpose.").

appeal after the state failed to file its brief within two granted extensions. Case No. 74276, 2018 WL 1876201, at \*2 (Nev. Ct. App. Apr. 10, 2018). That was an "extraordinary sanction that should be imposed sparingly" and was applied in that case expressly because of "the very limited scope" of the state's pretrial appeal.

Here, in contrast, Republic appeals from a final civil judgment dismissing its complaint; this appeal is Republic's sole remedy. The reply could have been shorter and more quickly prepared but for respondent's misleading citation to case law from the District of Columbia, whose sharp divergence from Nevada law merits explanation in the reply.

Appellate counsel do not solely rely on ordinary caseload concerns, though multiple overlapping emergencies on that front did interfere with the preparation of this brief. One of appellant's attorneys was able to complete the draft brief after dealing with the death of his grandfather, but not in time for lead appellate counsel, who was then in ABA meetings, to review and comment on the draft.

Counsel remains committed to filing the reply as soon as practicable but seeks the Court's courtesy in granting the full extension through September 2.

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