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CAN BE REPRESENTED BY MICHAEL D. PARIENTE, ESQUIRE AND JOHN G. WATKINS, ESQUIRE AT TRIAL.

COMES NOW Petitioner, JACK BANKA, through his counsel,
MICHAEL D. PARIENTE, ESQUIRE. with JOHN G. WATKINS, ESQUIRE.,
(OF COUNSEL), and files the instant reply to the State's Opposition to Jack
Banka's Emergency Motion under NRAP 27(e).

DATED this <sup>21st</sup> day of June , 2019

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## JACK BANKA'S REPLY

Judge Ellsworth's decision to disallow the substitution of Michael D. Pariente, Esquire and John G. Watkins, Esquire, as Jack Banka's counsel and a reasonable time to prepare the case was based on Judge Ellsworth's reading of EDCR 7.40(c) as mandatory leaving her no discretion whatsoever. However, reading EDCR 7.40(c) as mandatory conflicts with the Sixth Amendment right

to counsel of choice and Nevada case law. **The State ignores this crucial point**.

The State's assertion of prejudice is simply false. A short continuance of 60 days would have no affect regarding the State's case. The elderly couple's preliminary hearing testimony can be used if necessary. **Again, the State ignores this point**.

The State's bold assertion that "Petitioner is unlikely to prevail on the merits" amounts to nothing more than an unfounded opinion.

Therefore, Jack Banka's emergency request for a continuance of the trial now set for Monday, June 24, 2019 at 1:00 pm be stayed whereas Michael D. Pariente, Esquire and John G. Watkins, Esquire, will be allowed to represent Jack Banka at trial.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Pariente, Esq.

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