IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

MICHAEL WHITFIELD,

Petitioner,

VS.

NEVADA STATE PERSONNEL COMMISSION, STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, LORNA WARD, APPEALS OFFICER, and DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, as Employer,

Respondents.

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APPEAL

From the Second Judicial District Court The Honorable Kathleen Drakulich, District Judge

UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWERING BRIEF (SECOND REQUEST)

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Attorneys for State of Nevada, Department of Corrections The current deadline for Respondent, the Nevada Department of Corrections (hereinafter, NDOC) to file it Answering Brief is Wednesday, September 9, 2020. NDOC was previously granted one 30-day extension, done pursuant to stipulation between the parties. Pursuant to NRAP 26(b) and NRAP 31(b)(3), NDOC hereby moves to extend the deadline for NDOC's Answering Brief by two (2) week to, and including, September 23, 2020. Counsel for Petitioner has graciously agreed to the requested extension and this motion is therefore unopposed.

Good cause supports the requested extension, which is necessary because of continued limited staff availability at the Attorney General's Office due to the pandemic, which has complicated efforts to prepare the Answering Brief within the previously allotted timeframe. Furthermore, despite due diligence, NDOC requires additional time to fully brief the numerous legal arguments raised in Appellant's Opening Brief, which touches upon many different areas of State law and public policy.

This Motion is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel does not anticipate seeking any further extensions and anticipates filing no later than the requested date of September 23, 2020. As such, based on good cause and the non-opposition of counsel for the Petitioner, the undersigned counsel requests that

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this Court grant NDOC an additional two (2) week, up to and including, Wednesday, September 23, 2020, to file its Answering Brief.

Dated: September 2, 2020

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the State of Nevada, Office of the Attorney General and that on the 2nd day of September 2020, I filed and served a true copy of the foregoing **UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF**TIME TO FILE ANSWERING BRIEF (SECOND REQUEST) through the Supreme Court Electronic Filing System or by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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