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Elizabeth A. Brown  
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201 South Carson Street, Suite 201  
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RE: TITINA FARRIS; PATRICK FARRIS vs. BARRY RIVES, M.D.; LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY  
OF NEVADA, LLC  
**S.C. CASE: 80271**  
D.C. CASE: A-16-739464-C

Dear Ms. Brown:

On December 19, 2019 our office submitted a Notice of Appeal packet for the above referenced case noting that the minutes from November 20, 2019 were not included. The minutes have now been completed and are enclosed. Please contact our office at (702) 671-0512 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

STEVEN D. GRIERSON, CLERK OF THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Heather Ungermann".

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk

**DISTRICT COURT  
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

## Malpractice - Medical/Dental

# COURT MINUTES

November 20, 2019

A-16-739464-C      Titina Farris, Plaintiff(s)  
vs.  
Barry Rives, M.D., Defendant(s)

**November 20, 2019      1:30 PM      Motion for Sanctions**

**HEARD BY:** Kishner, Joanna S.

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 12B

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** Sandra Harrell

**REPORTER:**

## PARTIES

**PRESENT:** Doyle, Thomas J. Attorney  
Hand, George F. Attorney  
Leavitt, Jacob G. Attorney

## JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Court indicated the hearing today was to address counsel submitting multiple inadmissible documents. Court gave a brief history of the case. Mr. Leavitt indicated he was willing to accept a sanction payable to the Law Library or Legal Aid. Mr. Doyle mirrored Mr. Leavitt's comments and did not wish to add anything. Colloquy regarding Court's previous trial order. Court indicated it was not inclined to issue sanctions to Plaintiff counsel. Mr. Leavitt advised he would prefer to give \$500.00 to the Law Library. Colloquy regarding Mr. Doyle continuing to submit impermissible filings. Colloquy regarding electronically signed document used at trial. Mr. Doyle indicated he did not know the specific acts or failures to act that Court is using for basis for sanctions. Court offered to continue the matter; however, Mr. Doyle declined. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Doyle indicated the filings were a clerical oversight and a mistake on part of his office. Colloquy regarding Mr. Doyle's readiness for the hearing. Mr. Doyle stated he did not want to look into the issues and wanted to hear the Court's ruling. Colloquy regarding possibly continuing the hearing. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Doyle declined to respond individually or globally. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Leavitt indicated Ms. Clark Newberry and Mr. Couchot's conduct was egregious in a number of aspects and requested heavy monetary sanctions. Court advised it is not taking this case back to discovery. Court stated its findings and advised it would issue the order at the time of the hearing on fees and costs. Parties to

submit their proposals in Word to the Judicial Executive Assistant and CC opposing counsel.