

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY ORDER  
REGARDING THE NEVADA SUPREME  
COURT VOTE CANVASS

AO-0018  
**FILED**

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*AMENDED ORDER*

ELIZABETH A. BROWN  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY   
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

Article 5, Section 4 of the Nevada Constitution provides, “[t]he returns of every election for United States senator and member of Congress, district and state officers, and for and against any questions submitted to the electors of the State of Nevada, voted for at the general election, shall be sealed up and transmitted to the seat of government, directed to the secretary of state, and the chief justice of the supreme court, and the associate justices, or a majority thereof, shall meet at the office of the secretary of state, on a day to be fixed by law, and open and canvass the election returns for United States senator and member of Congress, district and state officers, and for and against any questions submitted to the electors of the State of Nevada, and forthwith declare the result and publish the names of the persons elected and the results of the vote cast upon any question submitted to the electors of the State of Nevada.” See NRS 293.395(2) (“On the fourth Tuesday of November after each general election, the justices of the Supreme Court, or a majority thereof, shall meet with the Secretary of State, and shall open and canvass the vote for the number of presidential electors to which this State may be entitled, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, members of the Legislature, state officers who are elected statewide or by district, district judges, or district officers whose districts include area in more than one county and for and against any question submitted.”).

The ongoing coronavirus pandemic has restricted access to public buildings and made it necessary to provide access to public proceedings virtually, rather than in-person. Consistent with these concerns and given the Supreme Court's videoconferencing and public webcast facilities, the Secretary of State and the Supreme Court, through its Chief Justice, have agreed to have the Secretary use the courtrooms in Carson City and Las Vegas as her office for purposes of conducting the 2020 vote canvass. See Nev. Const. Art. 6, Section 19. The Secretary of State, her deputies, and the justices shall appear remotely and from the Las Vegas and Carson City courtrooms. The vote canvass is currently scheduled for November 24, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., and may be viewed on the Court's website at <https://nvcourts.gov/Supreme/> or the Office of the Secretary State's website at <http://www.nvsos.gov/>.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2020.

Pickering, C. J.  
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cc: Administrative Office of the Courts