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From: Hardesty, Justice James
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Tom Letizia
Cc: All Chambers; Brown, Elizabeth
Subject: RE: Declaration of Candidacy for Judicial Campaigns

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ELIZABETH A. BROWN
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Mr. Letizia;

Thank you for your email and Happy New Year to you and your family.

These issues were raised during public comment in ADKT 0588 and in written submissions thereafter. The Court determined that any further specification of this language would present both procedural and substantive problems. That said, deceptive or unethical practices by judicial candidates are covered by the code of judicial conduct, with enforcement responsibility placed in the NV Judicial Discipline Commission.

I appreciate your interest in this subject. By copy of this email, I request the Clerk of the to file our exchange in ADKT 0588.

Best wishes,

Chief Justice Hardesty

From: Tom Letizia
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2021 3:47 PM
To: Hardesty, Justice James
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Dear Justice Hardesty:

I hope you are enjoying your holidays and are staying healthy.

I have had judicial incumbents and candidates contact me regarding the recent ADKT amendment to the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct Rule 4.2. I know candidates and incumbents are planning, to begin raising money on the on the designated date.

However, the order omitted an item that is an important issue, which has concerned some judicial candidates. That is a "Declaration of Candidacy." Because there currently is no provision for a candidate raising money to file for the office that candidate is soliciting funds, this could be a major problem. It would be easy for a candidate to raise money for one office, then change at filing. I hope you will consider that candidates file some sort of "Declaration of Candidacy" to prevent any issues.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, all the best for a Happy New Year...

Sincerely,
Tom Letizia

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