IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

INDICATE FULL CAPTION:

KIMBERLY TAYLOR, AN INDIVIDUAL, Appellant, vs.
KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS, AN INDIVIDUAL; AND WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA-MARTIN, PLLC, A NEVADA PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, Respondents.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Appellants must complete this docketing statement in compliance with NRAP 14(a). The purpose of the docketing statement is to assist the Supreme Court in screening jurisdiction, identifying issues on appeal, assessing presumptive assignment to the Court of Appeals under NRAP 17, scheduling cases for oral argument and settlement conferences, classifying cases for expedited treatment and assignment to the Court of Appeals, and compiling statistical information.

WARNING

This statement must be completed fully, accurately and on time. NRAP 14(c). The Supreme Court may impose sanctions on counsel or appellant if it appears that the information provided is incomplete or inaccurate. *Id.* Failure to fill out the statement completely or to file it in a timely manner constitutes grounds for the imposition of sanctions, including a fine and/or dismissal of the appeal.

A complete list of the documents that must be attached appears as Question 27 on this docketing statement. Failure to attach all required documents will result in the delay of your appeal and may result in the imposition of sanctions.

This court has noted that when attorneys do not take seriously their obligations under NRAP 14 to complete the docketing statement properly and conscientiously, they waste the valuable judicial resources of this court, making the imposition of sanctions appropriate. *See KDI Sylvan Pools v. Workman*, 107 Nev. 340, 344, 810 P.2d 1217, 1220 (1991). Please use tab dividers to separate any attached documents.

1. Judicial District EIGHTH		Department	II	
County	CLARK	Judge	ION. MONICA TRUJILLO	
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2.Attorno	ey filing this docketing statement	:		
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Client(s)	(List additional counsel on s	separate sheet if ne	cessary)	

4. Nature of disposition below (check	all that apply):	
\square Judgment after bench trial	□Dismissal:	
\square Judgment after jury verdict	\square Lack of jurisdiction	
\square Summary judgment	\square Failure to state a claim	
⊔ Default judgment	☐ Failure to prosecute	
\square Grant/Denial of NRCP 60(b) relief	\Box Other (specify):	
\square Grant/Denial of injunction	Divorce Decree:	
☐ Grant/Denial of declaratory relief	☐ Original Modi	fication
Review of agency determination	X Other disposition (specify):	Denial of post-judgment Motion to Disqualify
5. Does this appeal raise issues conc	erning any of the following?	Defense counsel
Child Custody		
□ Venue	NOT APPLICABLE	
Termination of parental rights		
6. Pending and prior proceedings in of all appeals or original proceedings pre are related to this appeal:		
This action has spawned two other appe is appealed. In Brill v. Taylor Case No. 8 motion for an award of costs.		
Additionally, this appeal, Taylor v. Brill Cissues as raised in a separate writ petition Judicial District Case No. 84006. Both ci	n currently pending before the Co	urt, Nelson v. Eighth

7. Pending and prior proceedings in other courts. List the case name, number and court of all pending and prior proceedings in other courts which are related to this appeal (*e.g.*, bankruptcy, consolidated or bifurcated proceedings) and their dates of disposition:

pending and plaintiff's law firm sought imputed disqualification of the Defense law firm.

the paralegal working on Plaintiff's case at the same opposing law firm while litigation remained

There are no other related lower court actions or actions pending in another jurisdiction.

8. Nature of the action. Briefly describe the nature of the action and the result below:

This is a medical malpractice action tried to a defense verdict.

Following the verdict but while post-trial motions and an appeal were pending, the Defense law firm hired away the paralegal from Plaintiff's law firm that was assigned to the case and knew all confidential and privileged information regarding Plaintiff's case. This appeal presents several fundamental issue of whether the doctrine of imputed immunity is simply dead in Nevada and whether efforts to screen the affected paralegal who switched sides is sufficient by simply telling the paralegal not to discuss the case at her new firm.

9. Issues on appeal. State concisely the principal issue(s) in this appeal (attach separate sheets as necessary):

In this appeal Plaintiff/Appellant seeks clarification of the legal standards in Nevada regarding imputed disqualification, the presumptions to be applied and the efforts of screening that can be deemed effective. It is requested that the Supreme Court expressly extend its decision in Ryan's Express v. Amador Stage Lines, Inc. 128 Nev. 289 (2012) (requiring an evidentiary hearing for lawyer imputed disqualification issues) to non-lawyer staff such as paralegals, and to clarify the importance of factors such as avoidance of future inadvertent disclosures and public trust in the adversarial system play in imputed disqualification proceedings. More fundamentally, the Court needs to decide whether imputed disqualification even continues to exist in Nevada absent a showing that privileged information was actually disclosed to the opposing law firm.

10. Pending proceedings in this court raising the same or similar issues. If you are aware of any proceedings presently pending before this court which raises the same or similar issues raised in this appeal, list the case name and docket numbers and identify the same or similar issue raised:

This appeal, Taylor v. Brill Case No. 84421, concerns similar imputed disqualification issues as raised in a separate writ petition currently pending before the Court, Nelson v. Eighth Judicial District Case No. 84006. Both cases arose after the same Defense law firm hired the same paralegal working on Plaintiff's case at the same opposing law firm while litigation remained pending and Plaintiff's law firm sought imputed disqualification of the Defense law firm.

11. Constitutional issues. If this appeal challenges the constitutionality of a statute, and the state, any state agency, or any officer or employee thereof is not a party to this appeal, have you notified the clerk of this court and the attorney general in accordance with NRAP 44 and NRS 30.130? N/A
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No
If not, explain:
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12. Other issues. Does this appeal involve any of the following issues?
☐ Reversal of well-settled Nevada precedent (identify the case(s))
\square An issue arising under the United States and/or Nevada Constitutions
🛚 A substantial issue of first impression
☐ An issue of public policy
An issue where en banc consideration is necessary to maintain uniformity of this court's decisions
A ballot question
If so, explain:
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13. Assignment to the Court of Appeals or retention in the Supreme Court. Briefly set forth whether the matter is presumptively retained by the Supreme Court or assigned to the Court of Appeals under NRAP 17, and cite the subparagraph(s) of the Rule under which the matter falls. If appellant believes that the Supreme Court should retain the case despite its presumptive assignment to the Court of Appeals, identify the specific issue(s) or circumstance(s) that warrant retaining the case, and include an explanation of their importance or significance:

This matter is presumptively assigned to the Court of appeals but should be retained by the Nevada Supreme Court as it presents novel issues of law regarding imputed disqualification of law firms due to legal staff changing firms in mid-litigation, what screening methods are effective and how factors such as the public trust in the integrity of the legal system should factor into the Court's decision.

14. Trial. If this action proceeded	8	
Was it a bench or jury trial?	Jury Trial	

15. Judicial Disqualification. Do you intend to file a motion to disqualify or have a justice recuse him/herself from participation in this appeal? If so, which Justice?

The Appellant does not anticipate such a motion.

TIMELINESS OF NOTICE OF APPEAL

0.	Date of entry of written judgment or order appealed from February 16, 2022
	If no written judgment or order was filed in the district court, explain the basis for seeking appellate review:
1.	Date written notice of entry of judgment or order was served February 16, 2022
	Was service by:
	Delivery
	Mail/electronic/fax
2.	If the time for filing the notice of appeal was tolled by a post-judgment motion
(N	RCP 50(b), 52(b), or 59) NOT APPLICABLE
	(a) Specify the type of motion, the date and method of service of the motion, and
	the date of filing.
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	NRCP 52(b) Date of filing
	NRCP 59 Date of filing
N(OTE: Motions made pursuant to NRCP 60 or motions for rehearing or reconsideration may toll the time for filing a notice of appeal. See <u>AA Primo Builders v. Washington</u> , 126 Nev, 245 P.3d 1190 (2010).
	(b)Date of entry of written order resolving tolling motion
	(c) Date written notice of entry of order resolving tolling motion was served
	Was service by:
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	$^{\square}$ Mail

0. Date notice of app	peal filed March 17, 2022
_	party has appealed from the judgment or order, list the date each as filed and identify by name the party filing the notice of appeal:
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	SUBSTANTIVE APPEALABILITY
2. Specify the statute the judgment or order (a)	e or other authority granting this court jurisdiction to review er appealed from:
\square NRAP $3A(b)(1)$	$\square_{ m NRS\ 38.205}$
□ NRAP 3A(b)(2)	□ NRS 233B.150
■ NRAP 3A(b)(3)	\square NRS 703.376
$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$ Other (specify)	NRAP 3A(b)(8)- special order filed after judgment
() Explain how each at	uthority provides a basis for appeal from the judgment or order:
Post-verdict but pendir	athority provides a basis for appeal from the judgment or order: ng an appeal of the verdict, a motion to disqualify defense counsel ict Court and denied after an evidentiary hearing.

22. List all parties involved in the	action or consolidated	actions in the	district court:
(a) Parties:			

Kimberly Taylor

Keith Brill, M.D.

Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada-Martin, PLLC

Bruce Hutchins, RN

Henderson Hospital/Valley Health Systems, LLC

Todd Christensen, MD

Dignity Health d/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hosp.

(b) If all parties in the district court are not parties to this appeal, explain in detail why those parties are not involved in this appeal, *e.g.*, formally dismissed, not served, or other:

Of the above parties, all other parties settled out prior to trial and were formally dismissed by the court except:

Kimberly Taylor

Keith Brill, M.D.

Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada-Martin, PLLC

23. Give a brief description (3 to 5 words) of each party's separate claims, counterclaims, cross-claims, or third-party claims and the date of formal disposition of each claim.

Plaintiff Taylor filed an action for professional negligence/medical malpractice against the Defendants. Defendants Brill and Women's Health Associates were given a defense judgment after jury verdict on November 19, 2021.

24. Did the judgment or order appealed from adjudicate ALL the claims alleged below and the rights and liabilities of ALL the parties to the action or consolidated actions below?

 \square_{Yes} \square_{No}

- 25. If you answered "No" to question 24, complete the following:
- (a) Specify the claims remaining pending below:

(b) Specify the parties remaining below:
(c) Did the district court certify the judgment or order appealed from as a final judgment pursuant to NRCP 54(b)?
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(d) Did the district court make an express determination, pursuant to NRCP 54(b), that there is no just reason for delay and an express direction for the entry of judgment?
$\square_{ m Yes}$
\square No
26. If you answered "No" to any part of question 25, explain the basis for seeking appellate review (e.g., order is independently appealable under NRAP 3A(b)):

27. Attach file-stamped copies of the following documents:

- The latest-filed complaint, counterclaims, cross-claims, and third-party claims
- Any tolling motion(s) and order(s) resolving tolling motion(s)
- Orders of NRCP 41(a) dismissals formally resolving each claim, counterclaims, cross-claims and/or third-party claims asserted in the action or consolidated action below, even if not at issue on appeal
- Any other order challenged on appeal
- Notices of entry for each attached order

VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this docketing statement, that the information provided in this docketing statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that I have attached all required documents to this docketing statement.

	Adam J. Breeden, Esq.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Nev. R. App. 25, I hereby certify that on the 12th day of April, 2022, a copy of the foregoing **APPELLANT'S DOCKETING STATEMENT** via the method indicated below:

	Pursuant to NRAP 25(c), by electronically serving all counsel
	and e-mails registered to this matter on the Supreme Court
	Electronic Filing System.
X	Robert McBride, Esq.
	Heather S. Hall, Esq.
	McBRIDE HALL
	8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260
	Las Vegas, Nevada 89113
	Attorneys for Defendants Keith Brill, M.D. and
	Women's Health Associates
	Pursuant to NRCP 5, by placing a copy in the US mail, postage
	pre-paid to the following counsel of record or parties in proper
	person:
	Via receipt of copy (proof of service to follow)

PLEASE NOTE: The Settlement Conference Judge has <u>not</u> been served with this Docketing Statement because this matter was exempted from the settlement conference program on 3/30/2022 by the Supreme Court.

An Attorney or Employee of the firm:

/s/ Sara Coppage BREEDEN & ASSOCIATES PLLC

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EXHIBIT 1

Complaint

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 1. That the Plaintiff, KIMBERLY D. TAYLOR (Kimberly), an individual, was at all times mentioned herein a resident of the State of Nevada.
- 2. Upon information and belief, Defendant, KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG, FACS (Dr. Brill), an individual, was at all times mentioned herein a resident of Clark County, State of Nevada.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Defendant WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA - MARTIN, PLLC, (WHASN) was a Nevada Professional Limited Liability Company and was licensed to do business in, and at all relevant times was doing business in, Clark County, Nevada.
- 4. Upon information and belief, Defendant, BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN (Hutchins), an individual, was at all times mentioned herein a resident of Clark County, State of Nevada.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant HENDERSON HOSPITAL and/or VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, dba HENDERSON HOSPITAL, and/or HENDERSON HOSPITAL, a subsidiary of UNITED HEALTH SERVICES (HH), was a Foreign LLC and was licensed to do business in, and at all relevant times was doing business in, Clark County, Nevada.
- 6. Upon information and belief, Defendant, TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, MD, (Dr. Christensen), an individual, was at all times mentioned herein a resident of Clark County, State of Nevada.
- 7. Upon information and belief, Defendant DIGNITY HEALTH d/b/a ST. ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL (St. Rose) was a Foreign Non-Profit Corporation and was licensed to do business in, and at all relevant times was doing business in, Clark County, Nevada.
- 8. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant Dr. Brill was a licensed physician pursuant to NRS §630.014, and was duly admitted and authorized to practice medicine in the State of Nevada.
- 9. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant Hutchins was a registered nurse licensed to practice as a nurse in the State of Nevada.

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- 10. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant Dr. Christensen was a licensed physician pursuant to NRS §630.014, and was duly admitted and authorized to practice medicine in the State of Nevada.
- 11. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant WHASN was the employer for some or all of the other Defendants herein, all of whom were acting within the scope of their employment with full authority.
- 12. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant HH was the employer for some or all of the other Defendants herein, all of whom were acting within the scope of their employment with full authority.
- 13. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Defendant St. Rose Dominican was the employer for some or all of the other Defendants herein, all of whom were acting within the scope of their employment with full authority.
- 14. That at all relevant times mentioned herein, Roe Corporation I was the employer for some or all of the other Defendants herein, all of whom were acting within the scope of their employment with full authority.
- ROE CORPORATIONS I through XXX, in their true capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise of the Defendants named herein are unknown to Plaintiff who, therefore, sues said Defendants by said fictitious names; Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each of the Defendants designated as a DOES I through XXX and ROE CORPORATIONS I through XXX are responsible in some manner for the events and happenings referred to herein, and caused damages proximately to Plaintiff as herein alleged, and Plaintiff will ask leave of this court to amend this Complaint to insert the true names and capacities of DOES I through XXX and ROE CORPORATIONS I through XXX, when the same have been ascertained and to join such Defendants in this action.
 - 16. That all events mentioned herein occurred in Clark County, Nevada.
- 17. On or about April 26, 2017 Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor appeared at Henderson Hospital to undergo a dilation and curettage with hysteroscopy with fibroid removal and hydrothermal ablation.

- 18. That Dr. Brill was to perform, and did partially perform, the surgery referenced in Paragraph 17.
 - 19. During the procedure, Dr. Brill perforated Kimberly's uterine wall and her small bowel.
- 20. Dr. Brill only confirmed the perforation with the hysteroscope and did not perform laparoscopy to evaluate for bowel or other injury to Kimberly.
- 21. Dr. Brill continued with the surgical procedure, but ultimately terminated it before completion.
 - 22. Dr. Brill never informed Kimberly of the complication of perforating her uterine wall.
- 23. Dr. Brill did not inform the anesthesiologist of the complication of perforating Kimberly's uterine wall.
 - 24. Dr. Brill informed the PACU that there were no complications as a result of the surgery.
 - 25. After the surgery, Kimberly was transferred to the care of HH and Hutchins.
- 26. Kimberly was in the care of Hutchins and HH for approximately 7 hours, despite normal recovery for this procedure being 1-2 hours or less due to the failure to complete the surgical procedure.
 - 27. While in post-operative care, Kimberly complained of severe abdominal pain and nausea.
- 28. Hutchins gave Kimberly significant amounts and types of medications to address her concerns.
- 29. Hutchins and HH never communicated with Dr. Brill, WHASN, or any other physician during the time Kimberly was in their care.
- 30. Hutchins and HH released Kimberly without contacting Dr. Brill despite her still having continuing abdominal pains and nausea.
- 31. On the evening of April 25/early morning of April 26, 2017, Kimberly was transported to the St. Rose emergency department via ambulance.
 - 32. Dr. Christensen treated Kimberly at St. Rose for the visit referenced in Paragraph 32.
- 33. Kimberly appeared at St. Rose with complaints of extreme abdominal pain and diffuse torso pain.

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- 34. Dr. Christensen and St. Rose had a CT Abdomen and Pelvis performed, which noted postoperative pneumoperitoneum and small to moderate ascites.
 - 35. Dr. Christensen was aware of the surgical procedure Kimberly underwent by Dr. Brill.
 - 36. Dr. Christensen did not seek a consult with an OB/GYN and/or surgeon.
- 37. Dr. Christensen did not rule out a more serious injury despite the CT findings consistent with visceral perforation and injury.
- 38. Despite the forgoing, as well as Kimberly still having ongoing severe abdominal pain, she was treated for nausea and released after approximately three hours.
- 39. Later on April 27, 2017, Kimberly appeared yet again at St. Rose, where she was eventually admitted.
- 40. Kimberly underwent a surgical consult, which included examination and review of the previously taken CT scan.
- 41. Based upon the surgical consults examination findings, the clinical significant pain of Kimberly, and the CT findings (which findings were consistent with visceral perforation and injury), Kimberly underwent a diagnostic laparoscopy which was then converted to an exploratory laparotomy with a small bowel resection.
- 42. During the surgical procedure referenced in Paragraph 41, a 3 cm perforation of the small bowel was discovered and a resection was performed; Kimberly was also discovered to have suffered gross peritonitis in all 4 quadrants.
- 43. Kimberly thereafter suffered a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, and was discharged on May 5, 2017.
- 44. Kimberly continues to suffer ongoing repercussions from the aforementioned treatment and care.
- 45. Each of the Defendants were responsible for safely and properly following the standards of care for the medical treatment rendered to Kimberly for the periods referenced above.
- 46. As a result of the actions and inactions listed herein, Kimberly has incurred significant injury to her person and special damages by way of past and future lost personal services, past and future medical costs for treatment, and other losses that are ongoing and not fully calculated at this time.

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Dr. Brill (41A.100))

- 47. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 48. At all times pertinent hereto, Defendant Dr. Brill had a duty to adequately and properly provide competent and reasonably safe medical care within the accepted standard of care to Kimberly, as well as properly supervise, monitor, communicate with others, and otherwise ensure her health and safety while she was under his care and recovering from his treatment.
- 49. Dr. David Berke, DO, FACOOG, has opined in his report attached as Exhibit 1 that Defendant Dr. Brill's care and treatment of Kimberly, to a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty, fell below the accepted standards of care as follows:
 - a. Not properly performing the surgical procedure, causing perforations of Kimberly's uterine wall and small bowel with use of a thermal instrument;
 - b. Continuing the surgery, including use of the curretage, after noting the perforation of the uterine wall;
 - c. Failing to properly evaluate and diagnose the extent of damage to Kimberly after the perforation of the uterine wall was noted;
 - d. Failing to inform and instruct PACU of the uterine perforation and to look for specific concerns which could evidence additional damage and require additional examination; and
 - e. Failing to inform Kimberly of the complications resulting from the surgical procedure.
- 50. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Brill, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to perforation of her uterus, perforation of her small bowel and burn injury to her small bowel, removal of a section of her small bowel, gross peritonitis, and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, all within a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty as per Dr. Berke, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

51. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Brill, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

- 52. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Brill, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 53. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Brill, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Hutchins (41A.100))

- 54. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 55. At all times pertinent hereto, Defendant Hutchinsl had a duty to adequately and properly provide competent and reasonably safe medical care with the accepted standard of care to Kimberly, as well as properly supervise, monitor, communicate with others, and otherwise ensure her health and safety while she was under his care and recovering from his treatment.
- 56. Dr. David Berke, DO, FACOOG, has opined in his report attached as Exhibit 1 that Defendant Hutchin's care and treatment of Kimberly, to a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty, fell below the accepted standards of care as follows:
 - a. Failure to contact Dr. Brill or obtain a GYN consult despite the excessive pain medications being given to Ms. Taylor;

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- b. Failure to contact Dr. Brill prior to releasing Ms. Taylor; and
- c. Releasing Ms. Taylor despite her ongoing severe abdominal pain.
- 57. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Hutchins, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to gross peritonitis and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, all within a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty as per Dr. Berke, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 58. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Hutchins, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 59. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Hutchins, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 60. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Hutchins, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Dr. Christensen (41A.100))

- 61. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 62. At all times pertinent hereto, Defendant Dr. Christensen had a duty to adequately and properly provide competent and reasonably safe medical care with the accepted standard of care to

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Kimberly, as well as properly supervise, monitor, communicate with others, and otherwise ensure her health and safety while she was under his care and recovering from his treatment.

- 63. Dr. David Berke, DO, FACOOG, has opined in his report attached as Exhibit 1 that Defendant Dr. Christensen's care and treatment of Kimberly, to a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty, fell below the accepted standards of care as follows:
 - a. Failure to obtain a consult with OB/GYN and/or surgeon based upon the CT report; and
 - b. Release of Ms. Taylor despite the CT report and ongoing severe abdominal pain without ruling out a more serious injury with CT findings consistent with visceral perforation and injury.
- 64. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Christensen, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to gross peritonitis and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, all within a reasonable degree of medical probability and certainty as per Dr. Berke, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 65. As a direct and proximate result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Christensen, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 66. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Christensen, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 67. As a direct, proximate, and legal result of the medical malpractice, professional negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendant Dr. Christensen, it has been necessary

for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Res Ipsa Loqitur - NRS 41A.100; Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Dr. Brill)

- 68. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 69. At all times pertinent hereto, Defendant Dr. Brill was the physician performing Kimberly's dilation and curettage with hysteroscopy with fibroid removal and hydrothermal ablation.
- 70. During the course of his medical care, in particular his surgery, Defendant Dr. Brill unintentionally caused burn injuries by heat, radiation, or chemicals to Kimberly's uterus and bowel.
- 71. These injuries do not normally occur in the absence of negligence and a failure to meet the standard of care.
- 72. Kimberly could not and does not have comparative negligence as she was under general anesthesia, completely dependent, and under the total control of Dr. Brill during the entire period in which she sustained these injuries, which caused the intestinal contents to leak into the abdominal and pelvis cavities and directly result in infection and gross peritonitis.
- 73. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 41A.100, Dr. Brill is therefore presumed professionally negligent (i.e. to have fallen below the standard of care).
- 74. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Dr. Brill's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly suffered injuries and damages, all to Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor's detriment, in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 75. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Dr. Brill's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

76. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Dr. Brill's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

77. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Dr. Brill's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Res Ipsa Loqitur - NRS 41A.100; Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al)

- 78. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 79. At all times pertinent hereto, Defendants Henderson Hospital et al were the owners, managers, distributors, retailers and/or otherwise providers of Henderson Hospital, its operating facility and surgical equipment, including but not limited to the facility used for and equipment used during Kimberly's surgery by Dr. Brill on April 26, 2017.
- 80. During the use of this equipment in Defendant Henderson Hospital's facility, Kimberly received multiple unintentional burn injuries caused by heat, radiation, or chemicals to Kimberly's uterus and bowel.
- 81. These injuries do not normally occur in the absence of negligence and a failure to meet the standard of care.
- 82. Kimberly could not and does not have comparative negligence as she was under general anesthesia, completely dependent, and under the defendants' control during the entire period in which she sustained these injuries, which caused the intestinal contents to leak into the abdominal and pelvis cavities and directly result in infection and gross peritonitis.
- 83. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 41A.100, Dr. Brill is therefore presumed professionally negligent (i.e. to have fallen below the standard of care).

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- 84. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, all to Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor's detriment, in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 85. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 86. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al's negligent acts and omissions, including, but not limited to, the above-stated res ipsa, presumption of professional negligence, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Vicarious Liability of Defendant Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada)

- 88. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 89. Defendant Dr. Brill was an agent and/or employee of Defendant WHASN, and was acting in the scope of his employment, under WHASN's control, and in furtherance of WHASN's interests at the time their actions caused Plaintiff's injuries.

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- 90. Defendant WHASN is vicariously liable for damages resulting from their employees', agents', and/or independent contractors' negligent actions against Kimberly during the scope of their employment.
 - 91. That Kimberly entrusted to Defendants Dr. Brill's and WHASN's care and treatment.
- 92. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendants Dr. Brill and WHASN, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to gross peritonitis and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 93. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendants Dr. Brill and WHASN, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 94. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendants Dr. Brill and WHASN, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 95. As That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Defendants Dr. Brill and WHASN, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Vicarious Liability of Defendant Henderson Hospital et al)

96. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.

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- 97. Defendant Hutchins was an agent and/or employee of Defendant Henderson Hospital and was acting in the scope of his employment, under HH's control, and in furtherance of HH's interests at the time their actions caused Plaintiff's injuries.
- 98. Defendant HH is vicariously liable for damages resulting from their employees', agents', and/or independent contractors' negligent actions against Kimberly during the scope of their employment.
 - 99. That Kimberly entrusted to HH's care and treatment.
 - 100. That HH selected the medical care providers who rendered care to Kimberly.
- 101. That Kimberly reasonably believed that the medical care providers selected by HH were the agents, employees, or servants of HH.
- 102. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Hutchins and/or other employees, agents, or servants of HH, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to gross peritonitis and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 103. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Hutchins and/or other employees, agents, or servants of HH, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 104. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Hutchins and/or other employees, agents, or servants of HH, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 105. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Hutchins and/or other employees, agents, or servants of HH, it has been necessary for Plaintiff

Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Vicarious Liability of Defendant St. Rose)

- 106. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every above paragraph as though fully set forth hereunder and incorporate the same by reference.
- 107. Defendant Dr. Christensen was an agent and/or employee and/or independent contractor of Defendant St. Rose and was acting in the scope of his employment and/or agency and/or contract, under St. Rose's control, and in furtherance of St. Rose's interests at the time their actions caused Plaintiff's injuries.
- 108. Defendant St. Rose is vicariously liable for damages resulting from their employees', agents', and/or independent contractors' negligent actions against Kimberly during the scope of their employment, agency, appointment, or other similar relationship.
 - 109. That Kimberly entrusted to St. Rose's care and treatment.
- 110. That St. Rose selected the doctor, doctors, and/or medical care providers who rendered care to Kimberly.
- 111. That Kimberly reasonably believed that the doctor, doctors, and/or medical care providers selected by St. Rose were the agents, employees, or servants of St. Rose.
- 112. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Dr. Christensen and/or other employees, agents, or servants of St. Rose, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to gross peritonitis and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, and all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- of care by Dr. Christensen and/or other employees, agents, or servants of St. Rose, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

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114. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Dr. Christensen and/or other employees, agents, or servants of St. Rose, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

115. That as a direct and proximate result of the negligence and failures to meet the standard of care by Hutchins and/or other employees, agents, or servants of St. Rose, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Negligent Hiring, Training, and Supervision of Defendants Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada, Henderson Hospital et al, and St. Rose)

- 116. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation and fact contained herein and incorporate the same by reference.
- 117. Defendants had a duty to hire, properly train, properly supervise, and properly retain competent employees, agents, independent contractors, and representatives.
- 118. Defendants breached their duty by improperly hiring, improperly training, improperly supervising, and improperly retaining incompetent persons regarding their examination, diagnosis, and treatment of Kimberly during the times referenced herein.
- 119. Defendants breached the applicable standard of care directly resulting in Kimberly sustaining significant injuries including but not limited to perforation of her uterus, perforation of her small bowel and burn injury to her small bowel, removal of a section of her small bowel, gross peritonitis, and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course.
- 120. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' negligence, medical malpractice, and carelessness, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to perforation of her uterus, perforation of her small bowel and thermal injury to her small bowel, removal of a section of her small bowel, gross peritonitis, and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course, all to Plaintiff's damages in an amount in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

121. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' negligence, medical malpractice, and carelessness, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has sustained physical and mental injuries, which have caused and will continue to cause physical and mental pain and suffering with loss of enjoyment of life. For these damages, Plaintiff is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).

- 122. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' negligence, medical malpractice, and carelessness, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor has incurred and will continue to incur medical expenses and other special damages for which Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor is entitled to be compensated in an amount to be determined at the time of trial in this matter and which is in excess of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000).
- 123. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' negligence, medical malpractice, and carelessness, it has been necessary for Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor to retain the law firm of James S. Kent, Ltd., to prosecute this action, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

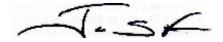
WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor, reserving the right to amend this Complaint at the time of trial to include all items of damages not yet ascertained, prays for judgment against the Defendants, and each of them, as follows:

1. FOR EACH AND EVERY CAUSE OF ACTION:

- a. For past and future general damages in a sum in excess of \$10,000.00;
- b. For past and future special damages in a sum in excess of \$10,000.00;
- c. For Plaintiff's Court costs and attorney's fees; and,
- d. For such other and further relief as to the Court may seem proper.

DATED this 25th day of April, 2018.

JAMES S. KENT, LTD.



JAMES S. KENT, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 5034 9480 S. Eastern Ave., Suite 228 Las Vegas, Nevada 89123 (702) 385-1100 Attorney for Plaintiff

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EXHIBIT 1

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DECLARATION OF DAVID BERKE, DO, FACOOG

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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DAVID BERKE, having been duly sworn, deposes and says:

- I am a board certified Obstetrician and Gynecologist. I am currently in full-time practice in Riverside, California. All of my licenses are on file with the appropriate authorities in California. My additional qualifications and training are further set forth in my Curriculum Vitae, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Based upon my training, background, knowledge, and experience in gynecology and obstetrics, I am familiar with the applicable standards of care for the treatment of individuals demonstrating the symptoms and conditions presented by the Plaintiff in this action. Further, I am qualified on the basis of my training, background, knowledge and experience to offer expert medical care, the breaches thereof in this case, and any resulting injuries and damages arising therefrom. The opinions I give are within the reasonable medical probability and certainty.
 - 2. I have reviewed the physician and hospital records pertaining to this matter:
 - Medical records from the office of Keith Brill, M.D./Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada;
 - b. Medical records from Henderson Hospital; and
 - c. Medical records from Dignity Health D/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hospital.
- My opinions below pertaining to the care of Kimberly D. Taylor are based upon my review of the aforementioned records, photographs, etc., from the referenced parties.
- 4. Ms. Taylor was a 45 year old woman who had been treated by Dr. Brill for several years prior to the incident in question. She had a history of menorrhagia, and had a bicornuate uterus with a fibroid. After counseling with Dr. Brill, she agreed to dilation and curettage with hysteroscopy with fibroid removal and hydrothermal ablation, all to be performed by Dr. Brill.
- 5. On April 26, 2017, Ms. Taylor appeared at Henderson Hospital for the referenced surgical procedure. During the procedure, Dr. Brill was using a symphion hysteroscope to begin resecting an apparent uterine septum when he noted a uterine perforation. Despite experiencing a



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1 Juterine perforation during the use of a device that cuts with energy, Dr. Brill only confirmed the perforation with the hysteroscope and did not perform laparoscopy to evaluate for bowel or other injury. He continued with the procedure, thereafter using a #2 sharp curette to remove a small amount of endometrial tissue, but thereafter terminated the procedure. Ms. Taylor was thereafter removed to recovery. There was no record of Ms. Taylor being informed of the perforation by Dr. Brill.

- 6. During a procedure such as the one performed herein, once the perforation of the uterine wall was noted, the proper standard of care is to identify and locate the extent of the injury, and cease all further invasive procedures which may cause injury to adjacent structures. Since a thermal instrument was being used at the time of the injury, a laparoscopy should have been performed immediately to determine if any further damage occurred, and/or obtain a surgical consult. The surgeon then has a duty to inform the patient about the condition and what occurred during surgery. The doctor is also obligated to inform current and subsequent providers of the concern to insure proper and appropriate treatment to the patient.
- Ms. Taylor was thereafter in recovery at Henderson Hospital under the care of Bruce Hutchins, RN, where she remained for approximately 7 hours. It appears Ms. Taylor was discharged despite still complaining of severe abdominal pain. The PACU notes state that per surgeon, there were no complications. No complications were noted by the anesthesiologist. During her post operative stay, Ms. Taylor was medicated for ongoing pain and nausea. No communications to Dr. Brill were noted.
- 8. The normal recovery for the type of procedure performed in this instance would be an hour or two, and generally with minimal pain medications, and the PACU nurse should know this. If a patient is in recovery for 7 hours, and having been given significant pain medications to alleviate the pain being expressed, the proper standard of care is for the PACU nurse to contact the surgeon and inform the surgeon of the patient's condition so the surgeon may determine if alternative or additional treatment should be provided.
- Approximately 7.5 hours after being released from Henderson Hospital, Ms. Taylor appeared via ambulance at St. Rose Dominican ER where she was received by Dr. Todd Christensen.

1 Her complaints at that time were extreme abdominal pain and diffuse torso pain. A CT Abdomen and Pelvis was performed, noting postoperative pneumoperitoneum and small to moderate ascites. Despite these findings, she was treated for nausea and released after approximately three hours without further workup or consultation regarding a possible bowel injury.

- 10. When the CT Abdomen and Pelvis showed "postoperative pneumoperitoneum and small to moderate ascites" following the procedure noted herein, the proper standard of care would be to seek a surgical consult to rule out any possible bowel or other injury.
- Ms. Taylor subsequently appeared at St. Rose ER approximately 6 hours later, again via ambulance, complaining of worsening abdominal pain. A call was placed to Dr. Brill, who was unavailable. Samantha Schoenhause, DO, OB-GYN, covering for Dr. Brill, admitted Ms. Taylor, but despite her condition, there was still no indication any person associated with the matter had any knowledge that Ms. Taylor's uterine wall had been perforated during the surgery the day before. Elizabeth Hamilton, M.D., was eventually consulted and was eventually informed by report that a uterine perforation had occurred during the prior surgery. Based upon her examination findings, clinical significant pain, and the CT findings (which suggested evidence of perforation), Dr. Hamilton felt it was highly likely Ms. Taylor had a bowel perforation. Dr. Hamilton performed a diagnostic laparoscopy which was then converted to an exploratory laparotomy with a small bowel resection. A 3 cm perforation of the small bowel was discovered and a resection was performed. Ms. Taylor also suffered gross peritonitis in all 4 quadrants. She was eventually discharged nine days later.
- 12. It is my professional opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, that the care and treatment provided by Dr. Brill, Bruce Hutchins RN, Henderson Hospital, Dr. Christensen, and St. Rose was grossly deficient, negligent, and below the standard of carc, including but not limited to the following:

Dr. Brill

Not properly performing surgical procedure causing perforations of i. Ms. Taylor's uterine wall and small bowel with use of a thermal instrument;.

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1			ii.	Continuing the surgery, including use of the curretage, after noting
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3			iii.	Failing to properly evaluate and diagnose the extent of damage to Ms.
4				Taylor after the perforation of the uterine wall was noted;
5			iv.	Failing to inform and instruct PACU of the uterine perforation and to
6				look for specific concerns which could evidence additional damage
7				and require additional examination;
8			v.	Failing to inform Ms. Taylor of the complications resulting from the
9				surgical procedure;
10		b.	Bruce	Hutchins, RN, and Henderson Hospital
11			i.	Failure to contact Dr. Brill or obtain a GYN consult despite the
12				excessive pain medications being given to Ms. Taylor;
13			ii.	Failure to contact Dr. Brill prior to releasing Ms. Taylor;
14			iii.	Releasing Ms. Taylor despite her ongoing severe abdominal pain;
15		c.	Dr. C	hristensen and St. Rose (first visit to ER)
16			i.	Failure to obtain a consult with OB/GYN and/or surgeon based upon
17				the CT report;
18			ii.	Release of Ms. Taylor despite the CT report and ongoing severe
19				abdominal pain without ruling out a more serious injury with CT
20				findings consistent with visceral perforation and injury
21	13. The actions of Keith Brill, MD, FACOG, FACS; Women's Health Associates of			
22	Southern Nevada - Martin, PLLC; Bruce Hutchins, RN; Henderson Hospital and/or Valley Health			
23	System, LLC and/or Henderson Hospital; Todd W. Christensen, MD; and Dignity Health d/b/a St.			
24	Rose Dominican Hospital, and their employees, agents and/or contractors, fell below the standard			
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to uterine perforation, bowel perforation, bowel resection, gross peritonitis in all 4 quadrants, and a prolonged, critical, post-operative course. I reserve the rights to amend my findings upon the presentation of additional facts and/or records related to this matter. SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 25 day of April, 2018. J. BERGSTROM Commission No. 2067304 OTARY PUBLIC-CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE COUNTY My Comm. Expires JUNE 4, 2018

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EDUCATION

Western University of Health Sciences 6/2003 - 5/2007 Pomona, CA Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine

The George Washington University 8/1992 -8/1994 Washington, DC Bachelor of Science – Physician Assistant

San Diego State University 8/1987-6/1992 San Diego, CA

Bachelor of Arts – With Distinction in Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Riverside Medical Clinic 6/2013 –present Riverside, CA

Obstetrician and Gynecologist

- Full spectrum OB/GYN care, with emphasis on minimally invasive Gynecologic procedures, in large multi-specialty Medical Group
- Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of California, Riverside, School of Medicine
- Medical Director of Ambulatory Surgery Center
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Magnolia Women's Center 7/2011 – 6/2013 Riverside, CA *Obstetrician and Gynecologist*

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center 7/2008 – 6/2011 Colton, CA Resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology

- Training at both San Bernardino and Riverside's County Hospitals
- Chief Resident 2010-2011

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center 6/2007 – 6/2008 Colton, CA

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City of Hope National Medical Center 12/1996 –6/2003 Duarte, CA *Physician Assistant*

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Physician Assistant

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RESEARCH

Tyrosine Kinase Receptor Inhibition and ET-743 for the Ewing Family of Tumors, presented at Western Student Medical Research Forum 2005

Incidence of Umbilical pH < 7.0 in Elective Cesarean Section at Term, presented at Society for Gynecologic Investigation 2007

CURRENT LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

Board Certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Licensed to practice Medicine in the State of California

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Fellow, American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists

American Osteopathic Association

California Medical Association

Riverside County Medical Society

EXHIBIT 2

Answer

9/26/2018 4:18 PM Steven D. Grierson CLERK OF THE COURT 1 ANS ROBERT C. McBRIDE, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 7082 HEATHER S. HALL, ESQ. 3 Nevada Bar No. 10608 CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN, McBRIDE & PEABODY 8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260 5 Las Vegas, Nevada 89113 Telephone No. (702) 792-5855 Facsimile No. (702) 796-5855 E-mail: rcmcbride@cktfmlaw.com 7 E-mail: hshall@cktfmlaw.com Attorneys for Defendants, 8 Keith Brill, M.D., FACOG, FACS and 9 Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada – MARTIN, PLLC 10 DISTRICT COURT 11 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 12 13 KIMBERLY D. TAYLOR, an Individual, CASE NO.: A-18-773472-C 14 **DEPT: X** Plaintiff. 15 VS. 16 DEFENDANTS KEITH BRILL, M.D., KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG, FACS, an 17 **FACOG, FACS AND** Individual; WOMEN'S HEALTH WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF 18 ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – **SOUTHERN NEVADA –** MARTIN, PLLC, a Nevada Professional MARTIN, PLLC'S ANSWER TO 19 Limited Liability Company; BRUCE PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT HUTCHINS, RN, an Individual; HENDERSON 20 HOSPITAL and/or VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEMS, LLC, a Foreign LLC dba 21 HENDERSON HOSPITAL, and/or 22 HENDERSON HOSPITAL, a subsidiary of UNITED HEALTH SERVICES, a Foreign 23 LLC; TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, MD, an Individual; DIGNITY HEALTH; d/b/a ST. 24 ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL; DOES I through XXX, inclusive; and ROE 25 CORPORATIONS I through XXX, inclusive; 26 Defendants. 27 28

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Case Number: A-18-773472-C

COME NOW, Defendants, KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG, FACS and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – MARTIN, PLLC, by and through their counsel of record, ROBERT C. McBRIDE, ESQ. and HEATHER S. HALL, ESQ. of the law firm of CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN, McBRIDE & PEABODY, and hereby answer Plaintiff's Complaint as follows:

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 1. Answering Paragraph 1, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 2. Answering Paragraph 2, these answering Defendants admit each and every allegation contained therein.
- 3. Answering Paragraph 3, these answering Defendants these answering Defendants admit each and every allegation contained therein.
- 4. Answering Paragraph 4, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 5. Answering Paragraph 5, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 6. Answering Paragraph 6, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 7. Answering Paragraph 7, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 8. Answering Paragraph 8, these answering Defendants admit each and every allegation contained therein.
 - 9. Answering Paragraph 9, these answering Defendants are without sufficient

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- Answering Paragraph 10, these answering Defendants admit each and every
- Answering Paragraph 11, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 12, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 13, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 14, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 15, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 16, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 17. Answering Paragraph 17, these answering Defendants admit each and every allegation contained therein.
- Answering Paragraph 18, these answering Defendants admit each and every 18. allegation contained therein.
- 19. Answering Paragraph 19, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein.
- Answering Paragraph 20, these answering Defendants admit that there was no 20. evidence of injury to the bowel and the standard of care did not require a laparoscopy to be performed. As to the remainder, denied.
- 21. Answering Paragraph 21, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein.

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- 28. Answering Paragraph 28, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 29. Answering Paragraph 29, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.30. Answering Paragraph 30, these answering Defendants
- 31. Answering Paragraph 31, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 32. Answering Paragraph 32, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
 - 33. Answering Paragraph 33, these answering Defendants are without sufficient

knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.

- 34. Answering Paragraph 34, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 35. Answering Paragraph 35, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 36. Answering Paragraph 36, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 37. Answering Paragraph 37, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 38. Answering Paragraph 38, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 39. Answering Paragraph 39, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 40. Answering Paragraph 40, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 41. Answering Paragraph 41, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 42. Answering Paragraph 42, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to these answering Defendants.

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Answering Paragraph 53, these answering Defendants deny each and every

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Hutchins (41.A100))

- 54. Answering Paragraph 54, these answering Defendants repeat and restate each and every response to Paragraphs 1 through 53, inclusive, and incorporate the same by reference as though set forth fully herein.
- 55. Answering Paragraph 55, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 56. Answering Paragraph 56(a) through (c), these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 57. Answering Paragraph 57, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 58. Answering Paragraph 58, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 59. Answering Paragraph 59, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 60. Answering Paragraph 60, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Dr. Christensen (41A.100))

61. Answering Paragraph 61, these answering Defendants repeat and restate each and every response to Paragraphs 1 through 60, inclusive, and incorporate the same by reference as though set forth fully herein.

- 62. Answering Paragraph 62, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 63. Answering Paragraph 63(a) and (b), these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 64. Answering Paragraph 64, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 65. Answering Paragraph 65, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 66. Answering Paragraph 66, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.
- 67. Answering Paragraph 67, these answering Defendants are without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and therefore deny the same.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Res Ipsa Loqitur – NRS 41A.100; Medical Malpractice/Professional Negligence of Defendant Dr. Brill))

- 68. Answering Paragraph 68, these answering Defendants repeat and restate each and every response to Paragraphs 1 through 67, inclusive, and incorporate the same by reference as though set forth fully herein.
- 69. Answering Paragraph 69, these answering Defendants aver that Plaintiff's res ipsa loquitur claim against these answering Defendants was dismissed by Court Order.
- 70. Answering Paragraph 70, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein.

89. Answering Paragraph 89, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.

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- 90. Answering Paragraph 90, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 91. Answering Paragraph 91, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 92. Answering Paragraph 92, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
 - 93. Answering Paragraph 93, these answering Defendants deny each and every

- Answering Paragraph 97, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- Answering Paragraph 98, these answering Defendants deny each and every
- 99. Answering Paragraph 99, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them.

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- Answering Paragraph 100, these answering Defendants deny each and every 100. allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them.
- 101. Answering Paragraph 101, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them.
- Answering Paragraph 102, these answering Defendants deny each and every 102. allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them.
- 103. Answering Paragraph 103, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them.
 - Answering Paragraph 104, these answering Defendants deny each and every 104.

NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Negligent Hiring, Training, and Supervision of Defendants Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada, Henderson Hospital et al, and St. Rose)

- 116. Answering Paragraph 116, these answering Defendants repeat and restate each and every response to Paragraphs 1 through 116, inclusive, and incorporate the same by reference as though set forth fully herein.
- 117. Answering Paragraph 117, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 118. Answering Paragraph 118, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 119. Answering Paragraph 119, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 120. Answering Paragraph 120, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 121. Answering Paragraph 121, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 122. Answering Paragraph 122, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.
- 123. Answering Paragraph 123, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein insofar as it pertains to them. These answering Defendants specifically deny committing negligence.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

- 1. The Complaint fails to state a claim against these answering Defendants upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. Defendants allege that in all medical attention and care rendered to Plaintiff, these answering Defendants possessed and exercised that degree of skill and learning ordinarily possessed and exercised by members of the medical profession in good standing practicing in similar localities and that at all times these answering Defendants used reasonable care and diligence in the exercise of his skill and application of learning, and at all times acted in accordance with his best medical judgment.
- 3. Defendants allege that any injuries or damages alleged sustained or suffered by the Plaintiffs at the times and places referred to in Plaintiff's Complaint were caused in whole or in part or were contributed to by the negligence or fault or want of care of the Plaintiff, and the negligence, fault or want of care on the part of the Plaintiff was greater than that, if any, of these answering Defendants.
- 4. That in all medical attention rendered by these answering Defendants to the Plaintiff, these Defendants possessed and exercised the degree of skill and learning ordinarily possessed and exercised by members of their profession in good standing, practicing in similar localities, and that at all times, these answering Defendants used reasonable care and diligence in the exercise of their skills and the application of their learning, and at all times acted according to their best judgment; that the medical treatment administered by these answering Defendants was the usual and customary treatment for the physical condition and symptoms exhibited by the Plaintiff, and that at no time were these answering Defendants guilty of negligence or improper treatment; that, on the contrary, these answering Defendants performed each and every act of such treatment in a proper and efficient manner and in a manner approved and followed by the medical profession generally and under the circumstances and conditions as they existed when such medical attention was rendered.
- 5. Defendants allege that they made, consistent with good medical practice, a full and complete disclosure to the Plaintiff of all material facts known to them or reasonably

believed by them to be true concerning the Plaintiff's physical condition and the appropriate alternative procedures available for treatment of such condition. Further, each and every service rendered to the Plaintiff by these answering Defendants was expressly and impliedly consented to and authorized by the Plaintiff on the basis of said full and complete disclosure.

- 6. Defendants allege that they are entitled to a conclusive presumption of informed consent pursuant to NRS §41A.110.
- 7. Defendants allege that the Complaint is barred by the applicable statute of limitations.
- 8. Defendants allege that Plaintiff assumed the risks of the procedures, if any, performed.
- 9. Plaintiff's damages, if any, were caused by and due to an unavoidable condition or occurrence.
 - 10. Plaintiff has failed to mitigate her damages.
- 11. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, alleged by the Plaintiff were caused in whole or in part by the actions or inactions of third parties over whom these answering Defendants had no liability, responsibility or control.
- 12. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, complained of by the Plaintiff were unforeseeable.
- 13. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, complained of by the Plaintiff were caused by forces of nature over which these answering Defendants had no responsibility, liability or control.
- 14. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, complained of by the Plaintiff were not proximately caused by any acts and/or omissions on the part of these answering Defendants.
 - 15. Plaintiff's Complaint violates the Statute of Frauds.
- 16. Defendants allege that pursuant to Nevada law, they would not be jointly liable, and that if liability is imposed, such liability would be several for that portion of the Plaintiff's damages, if any, that represents the percentage attributed to these answering Defendants.

- 17. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, suffered by the Plaintiff were caused by new, independent, intervening and superseding causes and not by these answering Defendants' alleged negligence or other actionable conduct, the existence of which is specifically denied.
- 18. Defendants allege that Plaintiff's damages, if any, are subject to the limitations and protections as set forth in Chapter 41A of the Nevada Revised Statutes including, without limitation, several liability and limits on non-economic damages.
- 19. Defendants allege that it has been necessary to employ the services of an attorney to defend this action and a reasonable sum should be allowed these Defendants for attorney's fees, together with the costs expended in this action.
- 20. Defendants allege that they are not guilty of fraud, oppression or malice, express or implied, in connection with the care rendered to Plaintiff at any of the times or places alleged in the Complaint.
- 21. Defendants allege that at all relevant times they were acting in good faith and not with recklessness, oppression, fraud or malice.
- 22. Defendants allege that they never engaged in conduct which constitutes battery, abuse, neglect or exploitation of Plaintiff.
- 23. Defendants allege that the injuries and damages, if any, suffered by Plaintiff can and do occur in the absence of negligence.
- 24. Plaintiff has failed to allege any facts sufficient to satisfy Plaintiff's burden of proof by clear and convincing evidence that these answering Defendants engaged in any conduct that would support an award of punitive damages.
- 25. No award of punitive damages can be awarded against these answering Defendants under the facts and circumstances alleged in Plaintiff's Complaint.
- 26. To the extent Plaintiff has been reimbursed from any source for any special damages claimed to have been sustained as a result of the incidents alleged in Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendants may elect to offer those amounts into evidence and, if Defendants so elects, Plaintiff's special damages shall be reduced by those amounts pursuant to NRS §42.021.

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27. Pursuant to NRCP 11 all possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged since sufficient facts were not available and, therefore, these Defendants reserve the right to amend this Answer to allege additional affirmative defenses if subsequent investigation warrants. Additionally, one or more of these Affirmative Defenses may have been pled for the purposes of non-waiver.

WHEREFORE, these answering Defendants pray that Plaintiff take nothing by way of her Complaint, that the Complaint be dismissed with prejudice and that the Court award fees and expenses as deemed appropriate.

DATED this 25th day of September 2018.

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2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the down of Jegical 2018, I served a true and		
3	correct copy of the foregoing DEFENDANTS KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS AND		
4	WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – MARTIN, PLLC'S		
5	ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT addressed to the following counsel of record at		
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7	the following address(es).		
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2018, a copy of which is attached hereto Bruce Hutchins, RN, without Prejudice in the above entitled Court on the 18th day of October PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Stipulation and Order to Dismiss Nurse Defendan

DATED this 24th day of October, 2018

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC: that on the 24th day of October, 2018, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER as follows: XX the E-Service Master List for the above referenced matter in the Eighth Judicial District Court e-filing System in accordance with the electronic service requirements of Administrative Order 14-2 and the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules; U.S. Mail, first class postage pre-paid to the following parties at their last known address; Receipt of Copy at their last known address: Robert McBride, Esq. James S. Kent, Esq. 9480 S. Eastern Ave., Suite 228 Heather Hall, Esq. Carroll, Kelly, Trotter, Franzen, Las Vegas, NV 89123 McBride & Peabody jamie@jamiekent.org 8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260 Attorneys for Plaintiffs Las Vegas, NV 89113 rcmcbride@cktfmlaw.com hshall@cktfmlaw.com Attorneys for Defendant Keith Brill, MD, FACOG, FACS and Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada Kim Irene Mandelbaum, Esq. Keith Weaver, Esq. Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith Sherman B. Mayor, Esq. Mandelbaum, Ellerton & Associates 6385 S. Rainbow Blvd., Suite 600 2012 Hamilton Lane Las Vegas, NV 89118 Las Vegas, Nevada 89106 keith.weaver@lewisbrisbois.com Attorneys for Dignity Health d/b/a filing@meklaw.net Attorneys for Todd W. Christensen, M.D. St. Rose Dominican Hospital /s/: Audrey Ann Brown An employee of HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC

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VS.

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Defendants.

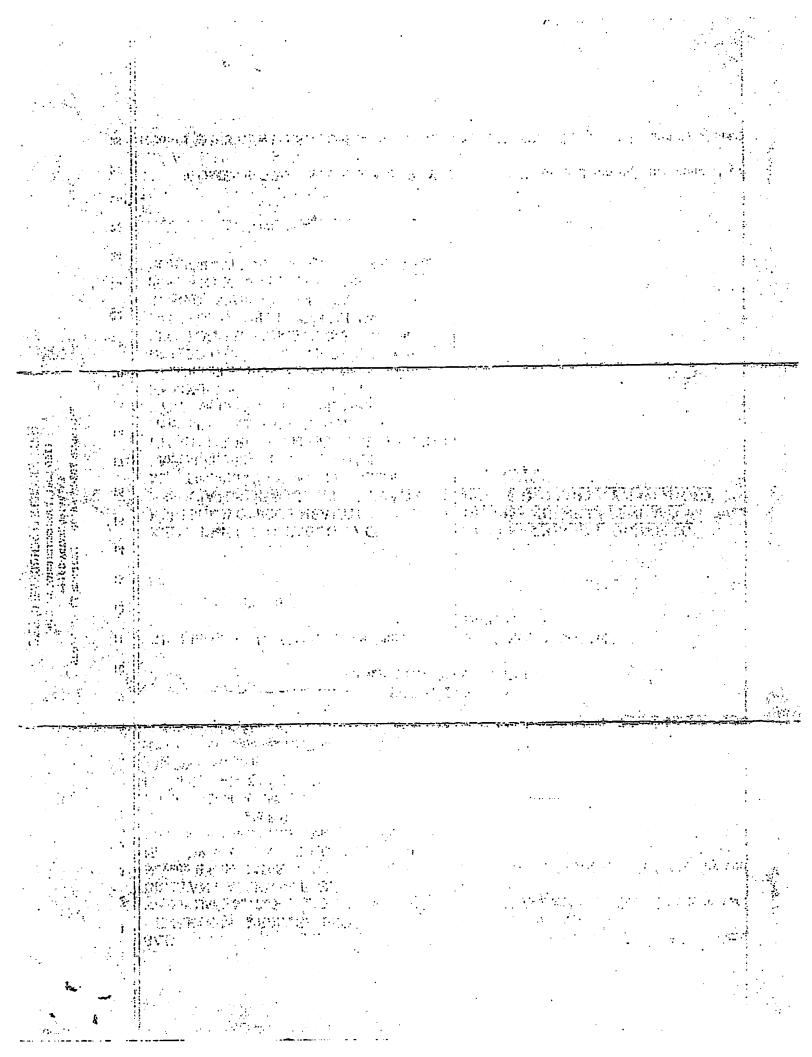
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STIPULATION AND ORDER TO DISMISS NURSE DEFENDANT BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN WITHOUT PREJUDICE

COMES NOW, Plaintiff, KIMBERLY D. TAYLOR, by and through her counsel of

record JAMES KENT, ESQ., Defendant, HENDERSON HOSPITAL, by and through its counsel



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of record, BRITTANY A. LEWIS, ESQ., Defendants, KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG, FACS and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA, by and through their counsel of record, HEATHER S. HALL, ESQ., Defendant, TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, MD, by and through his counsel of record, KIM I. MANDELBAUM, ESQ., and Defendant, ST. ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL, by and through its counsel of record, KEITH WEAVER, ESQ., hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

- 1. BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN at all times relevant to the instant litigation was an employee/agent of HENDERSON HOSPITAL and was acting in the course and scope of his employment at all times during the care and treatment of KIMBERLY TAYLOR as it relates to the allegations found in Plaintiff's complaint; and
- 2. Nothing in this stipulation will limit the evidence admitted at trial of acts and/or omissions of BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN, or discovery related to the same;
- 3. That Defendant BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN may be dismissed, without prejudice, from the instant litigation in case A-18-773472-C, with each party to bear their own attorneys' fees and costs; and
- 4. This matter is to proceed against the remaining Defendants.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

DATED this 28 day of September, 2018.

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• •	BASED UPON THE FOREGOING	STIPULATION OF COUNSEL, THIS COURT
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3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, This matter is to proceed against the remaining Defendants.

DATED this 10 day of October

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Respectfully Submitted by:

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EXHIBIT 4 Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order to Dismiss Defendant Dignity Health D/B/A St. Rose Dominican Hospital- Siena Campus

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CASE NO. A-18-773472-C Dept. No.: III

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER TO DISMISS DEFENDANT DIGNITY HEALTH D/B/A ST. ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL - SIENA CAMPUS

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Stipulation and Order to Dismiss Defendant Dignity Health D/B/A St. Rose Dominican Hospital - Siena Campus was entered on March 10, 2021, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto.

DATED this 10th day of March, 2021

LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP

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DISTRICT COURT

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STIPULATION AND ORDER TO DISMISS DEFENDANT DIGNITY

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KIMBERLY D. TAYLOR, an Individual, ,

12 Plaintiff.

13 vs.

KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG,FACS, an Individual; WOMEN'S HEALTH

15 ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA-MARTIN, PLLC, a Nevada Professional

16 Limited Liability Company; BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN, an Individual;

17 HENDERSON HOSPITAL and/or VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, a Foreign LLC

dba HENDERSON HOSPITAL, a subsidiary of UNITED HEALTH

19 SERVICES, a Foreign LLC; TODD W.

CHRISTENSEN, MD, an Individual;
20 DIGNITY HEALTH d/b/a ST. ROSE

|DIGNITY HEALTH d/b/a ST. ROSE |DOMINICAN HOSPITAL; DOES I through

21 XXX, inclusive; and ROE

CORPORATIONS I through XXX, inclusive;

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Defendants.

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Plaintiff KIMBERLY D. TAYLOR, by and through her undersigned counsel of

26 record, the law firm BREEDEN & ASSOCIATES, PLLC and Defendant Dignity Health

d/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hospital-Siena Campus, by and through its undersigned

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Case Number: A-18-773472-C

1 counsel of record, the law firm LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP, hereby 2 stipulate and agree as follows: 3 FIRST, all claims against Defendant Dignity Health d/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hospital-Siena Campus be dismissed with prejudice. 4 5 SECOND, each party shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs incurred in this 6 action. THIRD, that this stipulation does not dismiss all claims as to all parties, only those 7 as to Dignity Health d/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hospital-Siena Campus. Therefore, no 8 other hearing dates, discovery deadlines or the trial date should be vacated at this time 9 10 and this case should remain open. 11 IT IS SO STIPULATED. 12 Dated: February 19, 2021 13 BREEDEN & ASSOC LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP 14 15 /s/ Danielle Woodrum 16 Adam J. Breeden./Esg. Keith A. Weaver Nevada Bar No. 8768 Nevada Bar No. 10271 376 E. Warm Springs Road, Suite 120 Danielle Woodrum Las Vegas, NV 89119 18 Nevada Bar No. 12902 Attorneys for Plaintiff 6385 S. Rainbow Boulevard, Suite 19 600 Las Vegas, Nevada 89118 20 Attorneys for Defendant Dignity Health d/b/a St. Rose Dominican Hospital 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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ORDER

Based upon the foregoing stipulation, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED in the aboveentitled action, that DEFENDANT DIGNITY HEALTH D/B/A ST. ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL-SIENA CAMPUS be DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE and each party shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs in this matter. Dated this 9th day of March, 2021

Dated this the day of , 2021.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Monica Trujillo District Court Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

2	I hereby certify that on this 10th da	ay of March, 2021, a true and correct copy
3	of NOTICE OF ENTRY OF STIPULATION	I AND ORDER TO DISMISS DEFENDANT
4	DIGNITY HEALTH D/B/A ST. ROSE DOM	IINICAN HOSPITAL - SIENA CAMPUS was
5	served by electronically filing with the Cle	rk of the Court using the Odyssey E-File &
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KEITH BRILL, MD, FACOG, FACS, an Individual; WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA -MARTIN, PLLC, a Nevada Professional Limited Liability Company; BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN, an Individual; HENDERSON HOSPITAL and/or VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, a Foreign LLC dba HENDERSON HOSPITAL and/or HENDERSON HOSPITAL, a subsidiary of UNITED HEALTH SERVICES, a Foreign LLC; TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, MD, an Individual; DIGNITY HEALTH d/b/a ST. ROSE DOMINICAN HOSPITAL; DOES I through XXX, inclusive; and ROE CORPORATIONS I through XXX, inclusive;

Defendants.

CASE NO. A-18-773472-C DEPT NO. 3

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Stipulation and Order to Dismiss Defendant Valley Health System, LLC dba Henderson Hospital with Prejudice and to Amend Caption was entered on the 17th day of March, 2021. A copy of which is attached hereto.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2021.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC; that on the 19th day of March 2021, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER as follows:

XX the E-Service Master List for the above referenced matter in the Eighth Judicial District Court e-filing System in accordance with the electronic service requirements of Administrative Order 14-2 and the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules;

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8	KIMBERLY TAYLOR, an individual,	CASE NO.: A-18-773472-C
9		CASE NO.: N-10-775472-C
10	Plaintiff,	DEPT NO.: III
	v.	
11	KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS, an	STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
12	individual; WOMEN'S HEALTH	DISMISS DEFENDANT VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC d/b/a
13	ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – MARTIN, PLLC, a Nevada Professional	HENDERSON HOSPITAL WITH
14	Limited Liability Company; BRUCE	PREJUDICE AND TO AMEND CAPTION
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18	UNITED HEALTH SERVICES, a Foreign LLC; TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D., an	
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20	CORPORATIONS I through XXX, inclusive,	
21	Defendants.	
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23	The Parties, Plaintiff, KIMBERLY TAYL	OR, by and through her counsel Adam J. Breeden,
24	Esq. of BREEDEN & ASSOCIATES, PLLC and	Defendant, VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC
25		dentified collectively in Plaintiff's Complaint as
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HEALTH SERVICES, a Foreign LLC" (hereinafter "VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC d/b/a HENDERSON HOSPITAL"), by and through their counsel Ian M. Houston, Esq. of HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC, KEITH BRILL, M.D. and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA- MARTIN, PLLC by and through their counsel Heather Hall, Esq. of McBRIDE HALL, and TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D. by and though his counsel Adam A. Schneider, Esq. of John H. Cotton & Associates, Ltd., hereby enter into the following stipulation:

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED that Defendant, VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM.

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED that Defendant, VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC d/b/a HENDERSON HOSPITAL, be dismissed from the above-referenced matter with prejudice, each party to bear its own attorney's fees and costs associated with the action and its own attorney's fees and costs associated with the dismissal of VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC d/b/a HENDERSON HOSPITAL.

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that, although this dismissal does resolve and dismiss all of Plaintiff's claims as against VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC d/b/a HENDERSON HOSPITAL under any theory of liability, this dismissal does not resolve all claims as to all parties and therefore this Action shall remain pending as to Defendants KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS; WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA - MARTIN, PLLC; and TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D., and no current trial or discovery dates shall be vacated at this time by the Court.

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that the caption in this Action shall be amended to remove "HENDERSON HOSPITAL and/or VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, a Foreign LLC dba HENDERSON HOSPITAL, and/or HENDERSON HOSPITAL, a subsidiary of UNITED HEALTH SERVICES, a Foreign LLC" and to remove previously dismissed party "BRUCE HUTCHINS, RN, an Individual".

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1	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that Co-defendants, KEITH BRILL,	
2	M.D., FACOG, FACS and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA –	
3	MARTIN, PLLC, reserve all rights and are	e signing this Stipulation and Order for the parties to
4	comply with NRCP 41(a)(1) only.	
5	IT IS SO AGREED.	
6	DATED this <u>17th</u> day of March, 2021.	DATED this 17th day of March, 2021.
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1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Co-defendants, KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS		
2	and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – MARTIN, PLLC, reserve		
3	all rights and are signing this Stipulation and Order for the parties to comply with NRCP 41(a)(1)		
4	only.		
5	IT IS SO ORDERED.	Dated this 17th day of March, 2021	
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17	XXX, inclusive; and ROE CORPORATIONS I through XXX, inclusive;	
18	Defendants,	
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20	The Parties, Plaintiff, KIMBERLY TA	YLOR, by and through her counsel Adam J.
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25 McBRIDE HALL hereby enter into the following stipulation:

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M.D. be dismissed from the above-referenced matter with prejudice, each party to bear their own

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED that Defendant TODD W. CHRISTENSEN,

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attorneys' fees and costs associated with the action and its own attorney's fees and costs associated with the dismissal of TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D.

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that, although this dismissal does resolve and dismiss all of Plaintiff's claims as against TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D., this dismissal does not resolve all claims as to all parties and therefore this Action shall remain pending as to Defendants KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS; WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA - MARTIN, PLLC; and no current trial or discovery dates shall be vacated at this time by the Court.

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that the caption in this Action shall be amended to remove "TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D."

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that Co-defendants KEITH BRILL, M.D., FACOG, FACS, and WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA – MARTIN, PLLC reserve all rights and are signing this Stipulation and Order for the parties to comply with NRCP 41(a)(1).

IT IS SO AGREED.

1 Case name: Taylor v. Brill, et. al. 2 Case no.: A-18-773472-C Dept no.: III 3 DATED this 19th day of April 2021. DATED this 19th day of April 2021. 4 JOHN H. COTTON & ASSOCIATES McBRIDE HALL 5 /s/ Heather Hall /s/ Adam Schneider 6 7 HEATHER HALL, ESO. ADAM A. SCHNEIDER, ESQ. 7900 W. Sahara Ave., Ste. 200 8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260 8 Las Vegas, Nevada 89113 Las Vegas, NV 89117 Attorneys for Defendants Attorneys for Defendant 9 Keith Brill, M.D., FACOG, FACS, and Todd Christensen, M.D. Women's Health Associates of Southern 10 Nevada- Martin PLLC 11 DATED this 19th day of April 2021. 12 ADAM BREEDEN & ASSOCIATES 13 /s/ Adam Breeden 14 15 ADAM BREEDEN, ESQ. 376 E. Warm Springs Rd., Ste. 120 16 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Attorneys for Plaintiff 17 ORDER 18 Upon stipulation of the parties, by and through their respective counsel of record, and 19 good cause appearing therefore: 20 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that pursuant to the 21 stipulation of the parties and for good cause shown Defendant TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D. 22 is dismissed from the above-entitled action with prejudice, with each party to bear their own 23 24 attorneys' fees and costs. 25 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that although this dismissal does resolve and dismiss all 26 of Plaintiff's claims as against TODD W. CHRISTENSEN, M.D., this dismissal does not resolve 27

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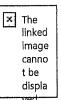
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Adam,

I also have no objection to the language in the stipulation, go ahead and submit it.



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23	This action came on for trial before the F	Honorable Monica Trujillo, and a jury on October	
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1	IT IS HEREY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that judgment is entered		
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3	Nevada – MARTIN, PLLC and against Plaintiff Kimberly D. Taylor.		
4		Dated this 19th day of November, 2021	
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17	Individual; WOMEN'S HEALTH ASSOCIATES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA –	McBRIDE HALL LAW FIRM ON AN EX PARTE MOTION FOR ORDER
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21	Defendants.	TIME OF HEARING: 9:00 A.M.
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25	Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor's Motion to I	Disqualify the McBride Hall Law Firm on an Ex
	Parte Motion for Order Shortening Time can	ne on for hearing on December 7, 2021. An
26	evidentiary hearing was conducted on January	7, 2022. Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor appeared by
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28		EEDEN, ESQ. of the law firm of BREEDEN &
	ASSOCIATES. Defendants, Keith Brill, M.D.	D., FACOG and Women's Health Associates of

Case Number: A-18-773472-C

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Southern Nevada – Martin, PLLC appeared by and through their attorneys of record ROBERT C. McBRIDE, ESQ. and HEATHER S. HALL, ESQ. of the law firm of McBRIDE HALL. The Court, having reviewed all pleadings and papers on file herein, having considered the written and oral argument of counsel, as well as the testimony of Kimberly Taylor, Kristy Johnson, Adam Breeden, and Heather Hall, and good cause appearing therefor, the Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The current litigation went to jury trial on October 11, 2021 with trial concluding on October 19, 2021, when the jury found in favor of Defendants.
- 2. Judgment was entered on November 19, 2021. Thus, the case is concluded except for any appeal Plaintiff pursues.
- 3. Ms. Kristine Herpin was and is the paralegal which McBride Hall has assigned to work on this case.
- 4. Ms. Kristy Johnson worked as a paralegal at the law firm of Breeden & Associates, PLLC from October 2017 until November 5, 2021.
- 5. Following the jury verdict, Ms. Johnson was interviewed for a paralegal position with the McBride Hall law firm on October 21, 2021.
- 6. During her interview, it was discussed that she would need to be screened off of any active files between the law firms of Breeden & Associates, PLLC and McBride Hall and could not discuss the litigation between the two law firms, including the cases *Jane Nelson v. Muhammad Saeed Sabir, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-20-823285-C) and *Kimberly Taylor v. Keith Brill, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-18-773472-C).
- 7. Subsequently, Ms. Johnson accepted a paralegal position at McBride Hall and began working there on November 8, 2021.
- 8. Prior to beginning her employment with McBride Hall on November 8, 2021, Ms. Johnson was informed by Heather S. Hall, Esq. that she could not discuss either matter with anyone

November 5, 2021.

Jane Nelson or Kimberly Taylor matters with anyone employed with the McBride Hall law firm.
9. Ms. Johnson continued her employment with Breeden & Associates, PLLC until

who is employed with McBride Hall. Ms. Johnson agreed that she would not discuss either the

- 10. On October 25, 2021, Adam J. Breeden, Esq. sent correspondence to McBride Hall regarding his position that there was imputed disqualification for this matter.
- 11. That same day, October 25, 2021, Ms. Hall sent a responsive letter to Mr. Breeden outlining the screening measures that were put in place for this matter.
- 12. Prior to Ms. Johnson's start date of November 8, 2021, McBride Hall's paper file for *Kimberly Taylor v. Keith Brill, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-18-773472-C) was locked in a filing cabinet that only Sean M. Kelly, Esq. has a key to open.
- 13. Prior to Ms. Johnson beginning her employment at McBride Hall, the IT provider for the law firm locked her out of access to the electronic file for *Kimberly Taylor v. Keith Brill, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-18-773472-C).
- 14. Prior to Ms. Johnson starting her position at the McBride Hall law firm, Ms. Hall prepared and distributed a memorandum to members of the entire firm advising all of the screening of Ms. Johnson for *Kimberly Taylor v. Keith Brill, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-18-773472-C).
 - 15. Ms. Johnson began her employment at McBride Hall on November 8, 2021.
- 16. On November 17, 2021, Plaintiff's Motion to Disqualify the McBride Hall Law Firm on an Exparte Motion for Order Shortening Time was filed.
- 17. On November 24, 2021, Defendants' Opposition Plaintiff's Motion to Disqualify the McBride Hall Law Firm on an Exparte Motion for Order Shortening Time was filed.
- 18. On December 7, 2021, Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor's Motion to Disqualify the McBride Hall Law Firm on an Ex Parte Motion for Order Shortening Time came on for hearing on December 7, 2021 and an evidentiary hearing was set for January 7, 2022.
- 19. On January 7, 2022, this Court conducted an evidentiary hearing on the issues raised and whether or not McBride Hall should be disqualified.

20. During the evidentiary hearing, the Court heard testimony from Plaintiff Kimberly Taylor, Kristy Johnson, Adam J. Breeden, Esq., and Heather S. Hall, Esq.

- 21. The testimony of Ms. Taylor and Mr. Breeden addressed concerns that confidential information Ms. Johnson obtained during her employment with Breeden & Associates may be exchanged to her new employer, McBride Hall.
- 22. The testimony of Ms. Johnson and Ms. Hall addressed that no confidential and/or privileged information has been discussed with Ms. Johnson by anyone at McBride Hall, the numerous screening mechanisms in place to ensure that confidential information regarding this case is never exchanged, and represented to this Court that these screening measure will continue throughout the litigation of this matter through its conclusion.

II.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Because "...[i]mputed disqualification is a harsh remedy that 'should be invoked only if the court is satisfied that real harm is likely to result from failing to invoke it," the Nevada Supreme Court permits screening mechanisms. *Leibowitz v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Court*, 119 Nev.523, 532, 78 P.3d 515, 521 (Nev. 2003).
- 2. The Nevada Supreme Court recognizes that nonlawyer, firm employees may be screened to maintain employment and representation of clients with potentially adverse interests. *Leibowitz v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Court*, 119 Nev.523, 526, 78 P.3d 515, 517 (Nev. 2003).
- 3. Sufficient screening mechanism are enough to avoid disqualification because of a "client's right to counsel of the client's choosing and likelihood of prejudice and economic harm to the client when severance of the attorney-client relationship is ordered." *Id.* at 532, 521.
- 4. To determine if such mechanisms are appropriate, the Nevada Supreme Court evaluates several factors including: (1) the substantiality of the relationship between the former and current matters; (2) the time elapsed between the matters; (3) the size of the firm; (4) the number of individuals presumed to have confidential information; (5) the nature of their involvement in the former matter; (6) the timing and features of any measure taken to reduce the danger of disclosure; and (7) whether the old firm and new firm represent adverse parties in the

same proceeding rather than in different proceedings. *Id.* at 534, 522.

- 5. Further, the Nevada Supreme Court has set forth a non-exhaustive list of screening requirements, which are as follows:
 - (1) "The newly hired nonlawyer [employee] must be cautioned not to disclose any information relating to the representation of a client of the former employer."
 - (2) "The nonlawyer [employee] must be instructed not to work on any matter on which [he or] she worked during the prior employment, or regarding which [he or] she has information relating to the former employer's representation."
 - (3) "The new firm should take ... reasonable steps to ensure that the nonlawyer [employee] does not work in connection with matters on which [he or] she worked during the prior employment, absent client consent [i.e. unconditional waiver] after consultation."

See Leibowitz v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Court, 119 Nev. 523, 532 - 533 (Nev. 2003).

- 6. As articulated in *Leibowitz*, this Court is faced with the delicate task of balancing competing interests, including: (1) "the individual right to be represented by counsel of one's choice," (2) "each party's right to be free from the risk of even inadvertent disclosure of confidential information," (3) "the public's interest in the scrupulous administration of justice," and (4) "the prejudices that will inure to the parties as a result of the [district court's] decision." *Id.* at 534, 522.
- 7. During the evidentiary hearing, no evidence was presented that Ms. Johnson has exchanged confidential information. There is no dispute that Ms. Johnson was privy to privileged information as a consequence of her previous employer, Breeden & Associates.
- 8. However, McBride Hall law firm has met its obligations and taken more than adequate steps to appropriately screen Ms. Johnson, such that disqualification is not warranted.
- 9. Ms. Johnson has been cautioned by McBride Hall not to disclose any information relating to the representation of her former' employer, Breeden & Associates' representation of Kimberly Taylor.
- 10. Ms. Johnson has been instructed by McBride Hall not to work on any matter on which she worked during her prior employment with Breeden & Associates, or regarding which Ms. Johnson has information relating to her former employer's representation.

- 11. Based upon the documentation submitted and the testimony at the evidentiary hearing, this Court finds that McBride Hall has taken reasonable steps to ensure that paralegal Ms. Johnson does not work in connection with matters on which she worked during her prior employment with Breeden & Associates.
- 12. Balancing the competing interests and in light of this matter being substantially complete pending the appeal, this Court is satisfied that Ms. Johnson has been sufficiently screened from *Kimberly Taylor v. Keith Brill, M.D., et al.* (Case No. A-18-773472-C) and disqualification of McBride Hall is not warranted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Plaintiff's Motion to Disqualify the McBride Hall Law Firm on an Ex Parte Motion for Order Shortening Time is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 16th day of February, 2022

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