



September 29, 2022

Elizabeth Brown  
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Supreme Court of Nevada  
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RE: ADKT 0595 Committee to Study the Rules Governing  
Alternate Dispute Resolution and Nevada Short Trials

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of the Nevada Board of Continuing Legal Education ("NVCLE Board"), I submit the following comments regarding the Committee to Study the Rules Governing Alternate Dispute Resolution and Nevada Short Trials' recommendation to grant Continuing Legal Education ("CLE") credits to short trial judges who forgo compensation in alternate dispute resolution and short trial cases.

The NVCLE Board supports the petition and observes:

- Uncompensated service by an arbitrator or short trial judge may qualify for CLE credits under Supreme Court Rule 210(3). The proposed additions to the Nevada Arbitration Rules, Rule 24, and Nevada Short Trial Rules Rule, 28 allow service in this court sponsored program to be reported as pro bono public legal service hours.
- The current CLE credit awarded for this type of service as defined in SCR 210(3) is one hour of general credit for each three full hours of uncompensated service. There is a maximum of four CLE credits which can be earned annually. Should the Nevada Supreme Court ("Court") desire a separate credit scale, the NVCLE Board is willing to undertake research and develop a different credit structure or work within a credit range directed by the Court.
- SCR 210(3) also defines the process for an attorney to receive CLE credit for service. Pursuant to SCR 210(3), attorneys must report their uncompensated service to the entity that provided the service opportunity to the attorney; the entity then submits the appropriate number of CLE credits to the NVCLE Board on behalf of the attorney. Most, if not all,

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Nevada courts already maintain an online account which is used to report CLE hours to the NVCLE Board. If the petition is approved, NVCLE Board staff will communicate with the current CLE representatives from individual courts to collaborate and educate them on the additional reporting process.

The NVCLE Board thanks the Court and Chief Justice Parraguirre for their attention and careful consideration in this matter. Should any additional questions arise, the NVCLE Board is available assist.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynne K. Simons', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Chief Judge Lynne K. Simons  
Second Judicial District Court

Chair, Nevada NVCLE Board of Continuing Legal Education