

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING  
THE JUSTICE COURT LOCAL RULES  
OF THE PAHRUMP JUSTICE COURT

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PETITION TO AMEND LOCAL RULES FOR THE PAHRUMP JUSTICE COURT BY  
THE ADOPTION OF RULE 52.

COMES NOW the Honorable Kent Jasperson and Honorable Lisa Chamlee, Justices of the Peace for the Pahrump Township, to Petition the Nevada Supreme Court on its administrative docket to amend the Justice Court Local Rules for the Pahrump Justice Court by adopting Rule 52.

This rule is needed to provide a standard procedure regarding the selection and duties of a Chief Judge as required by Nevada Revised Statute 4.157, and to provide for the duties assigned to a court administrator. The Court requests that the Supreme Court amend and adopt Rule 52 for the Justice Court of Pahrump Township as set forth in Exhibit A to this petition.

Respectfully submitted this 24th of February, 2022.

  
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Judge Kent Jasperson  
Pahrump Township Justice Court

  
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Judge Lisa Chamlee  
Pahrump Township Justice Court

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EXHIBIT

A

## **Pahrump Justice Court Local Rules of Practice –Rule 52**

### **Rule 52. Chief Judge and Court Administrator**

#### **(a) Selection and term.**

(1) A justice of the peace shall serve as the chief judge for a term of 2 years. However, the term may, by election, be extended 2 years. If no other candidate for chief judge meets the requirements set forth under subsection (a)(2) of this rule, then the current chief judge's term will be extended 2 years.

(2) The justice of the peace must have a minimum of 3 years' judicial experience to serve as chief judge.

#### **(b) Duties and responsibilities. The chief judge must:**

(1) Be responsible for the chief judge's own calendar, which shall include all case types and proceedings, without limitation. There will be no caseload adjustment during the term.

(2) Be responsible for the administration of court rules and regulations.

(3) Consider and rule on any ex parte applications for orders in cases that have not been assigned.

(4) Hear or reassign emergency matters when the assigned justice is absent or otherwise unavailable.

(5) Oversee all administrative and clerical work and functions of the court as set forth in NRS Chapter 4.

(6) Designate judicial assignments in the event of a recusal.

(7) Resolve any calendar assignments and procedural/policy disputes between the court departments.

(8) Work with court administrator to develop local supplemental rules.

(9) Serve as signature authority, where needed.

(10) Delegate the following duties to the court administrator:

(A) Management of operations (personnel, facilities, procurement, finance).

(B) Budget development and management.

(C) Development of policies and procedures.

(D) Representation of court on various committees.

(E) Strategic planning.

(F) Liaison to outside agencies – authority to speak on behalf of the court to other governmental agencies both inside and outside the court.

(G) Liaison to media and stakeholders.

(H) Statistical and operational reporting – develop and coordinate.

(I) Establish and sustain automation systems.

(J) Develop and maintain court website.

(c) Compliance with other rules; delegation of duties. The duties prescribed in these rules shall be done in accordance with application Nevada Revised Statutes, Supreme Court Rules, and established court policies. To facilitate the business of the court, the chief judge may delegate the duties prescribed in these rules to other judges