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Lovelock Correctional Center 1200 Prison Road
Lovelock, Nevada 89419

Plaintiff In Pro Se

AFFIRMATION PURSUANT TO NRS 239B.030

Dated this 13 day of tebruary, 2023

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IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Divorce of:

MEGAN ELIZABETH BARRAL nka MEGAN ELIZABETH HAMMONDS AND DUSTIN JAMES BARRAL,

Petitioner(s)

Case No: D-12-458737-A

Dept No: W

CASE APPEAL STATEMENT

1. Appellant(s): Dustin Barral

2. Judge: Stacy M. Rocheleau

3. Appellant(s): Dustin Barral

Counsel:

Dustin Barral #1108615 1200 Prison Rd. Lovelock, NV 89419

4. Respondent (s): Megan Elizabeth Barral nka Megan Elizabeth Hammons

Counsel:

Megan Elizabeth Barral 4478 E. Quail Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89120

5. Appellant(s)'s Attorney Licensed in Nevada: N/A

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1	Permission Granted: N/A
2 3	Respondent(s)'s Attorney Licensed in Nevada: N/A Permission Granted: N/A
4	6. Has Appellant Ever Been Represented by Appointed Counsel In District Court: No
5	7. Appellant Represented by Appointed Counsel On Appeal: N/A
6	8. Appellant Granted Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis: Yes, December 26, 2022
7 8	Appellant Filed Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis: N/A Date Application(s) filed: N/A
9	9. Date Commenced in District Court: February 9, 2012
10	10. Brief Description of the Nature of the Action: DOMESTIC - Marriage Dissolution
11	Type of Judgment or Order Being Appealed: Misc. Order
12	11. Previous Appeal: Yes
13	Supreme Court Docket Number(s): 84721
14 15	12. Case involves Child Custody and/or Visitation: Custody Appeal involves Child Custody and/or Visitation: Custody and Visitation
16	13. Possibility of Settlement: Unknown
17	Dated This 9 day of March 2023.
18	Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court
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20	/s/ Heather Ungermann
21	Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk 200 Lewis Ave
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In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Divorce of: Megan Elizabeth Barral and Dustin James Barral

Location: Judicial Officer: Filed on:

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02/09/2012

Case Number History:

CASE INFORMATION

Statistical Closures

02/01/2023 Settled/Withdrawn With Judicial Conference or Hearing

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03/29/2012 Decision without Trial / Hearing

Case Type: **Divorce - Joint Petition**

Subtype: Joint Petition Subject Minor(s)

Case Status: 02/01/2023 Closed

DATE CASE ASSIGNMENT

Current Case Assignment

Case Number D-12-458737-Z
Court Department W
Date Assigned 01/04/2021

Judicial Officer Rocheleau, Stacy M.

PARTY INFORMATION

Petitioner Barral, Dustin James Pro Se

702-556-9316(H)

Barral, Megan Elizabeth Pro Se

702-741-2648(H)

Subject Minor Barral, Joshua

Barral, Levi

DATE EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT

EVENTS

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03/07/2023 Notice of Appeal

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01/30/2023 Motion for Judgment

Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [42] Motion for Default Judgment

Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [41] Notice of Motion for Default Judgment

01/30/2023 Reply to Opposition

Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James

[40] Response to Opposition to Motion and Notice of Motion to Modify Child Custody Visitation and/or Child

Support

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01/05/2023	Opposition Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [39] Opposition to Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support
12/28/2022	Affidavit Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [38] Affidavit of Susan Zupancic In Support of Dustin Barral's Motion to Modify Child Custody
12/26/2022	Order to Proceed In Forma Pauperis [37] Order to Proceed in Forma Pauperis
12/22/2022	Certificate Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [36] Certificate of Inmate's Instutional Account
12/22/2022	Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [34]
12/22/2022	Financial Disclosure Form Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [33] General Financial Disclosure Form
12/22/2022	Exhibits Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [35] Index of Exhibits in Support of Motion and Notice of Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and / or Child Support
12/22/2022	Motion Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [32] Motion and Notice of Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support.
10/22/2022	Miscellaneous Filing [31] Miscellaneous Filing
10/19/2022	Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [30] Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis
08/31/2022	NV Supreme Court Clerks Certificate/Judgment - Dismissed [29] Nevada Supreme Court Clerk's Certificate/Remittitur Judgment - Dismissed
08/18/2022	Order [28] Order to Produce Transcripts
08/17/2022	Clerk's Notice of Nonconforming Document [27] Clerks Notice of Nonconforming Document
08/17/2022	Motion Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [26] Motion for Production of Transcripts at State Expense
08/17/2022	Motion Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [25] **Unsigned Order*** Motion for Production of Transcripts at State Expense
06/28/2022	Order to Proceed In Forma Pauperis [24] Order to Proceed in Forma Pauperis
06/22/2022	Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [23] Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis
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	[22] Case Appeal Statement			
05/11/2022	Notice of Appeal Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [21] Notice of Appeal			
04/29/2022	Domestic Notice to Statistically Close Case [20] Domestic Notice to Statistically Close Case			
04/18/2022	Notice of Entry of Order [19] Notice of Entry of Order from Minute Order			
04/14/2022	Order [18] Order from Minute Order			
04/13/2022	Response [17] Response To Reply to Opposition to Motion and Notice of Motion To Modify Child Custody, Visitation and/or Child Support			
04/01/2022	Reply Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [16] Reply to Response to Opposition to Motion and Notice of Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support			
03/29/2022	Response Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [15] Response to Opposition to Motion and Notice of Motin to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and/or Child Support			
03/15/2022	Notice of Hearing [14] Notice of Hearing			
03/14/2022	Financial Disclosure Form Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [13] fdf			
03/14/2022	Family Court Motion Opposition Fee Information Sheet Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [12] Motion/Opposition Fee Information Sheet			
03/14/2022	Opposition Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [11] Opposition to Motion to Modify			
03/14/2022	Financial Disclosure Form Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [10] General Financial Disclosure Form			
03/14/2022	Motion Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James [9] Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and Child Support			
01/04/2021	Administrative Reassignment to Department W Case Reassignment - Judicial Officer Stacy M. Rocheleau			
01/05/2015	Judicial Elections 2014 - Case Reassignment Family Court Judicial Officer Reassignment 2014			
03/29/2012	Decree of Divorce Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [7] Decree of Divorce			
03/28/2012	Child Support and Welfare Party Identification Sheet Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Dustin James; Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth; Subject Minor Barral, Levi; Subject Minor Barral, Joshua [6]			

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03/26/2012	Notice of Seminar Completion EDCR 5.07 Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [3] Notice of Seminar Completion EDCR 5.07
03/26/2012	Affidavit of Resident Witness Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [2] Affidavit of Resident Witness
03/26/2012	Child Support and Welfare Party Identification Sheet Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [5]
03/26/2012	Notice of Seminar Completion EDCR 5.07 Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [4] Notice of Seminar Completion EDCR 5.07
02/09/2012	Joint Petition for Summary Decree of Divorce Filed by: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [1]
01/10/2012	Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis Filed By: Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth [8]
	HEADINGS
03/16/2023	HEARINGS CANCELED Motion for Judgment (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Rocheleau, Stacy M.) Vacated - per Order Motion for Default Judgment
02/02/2023	CANCELED Opposition (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Rocheleau, Stacy M.) Vacated - per Order Opposition to Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support
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	Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and Child Support
04/06/2022	Minute Order - No Hearing Held; Journal Entry Details:
	MINUTE ORDER NO HEARING HELD Barral v. Barral D-12-458737-Z NRCP 1 and EDCR 1.10 state that the procedures in district court shall be construed, administered, and employed by the court and the parties to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding, and to promote and facilitate the administration of justice. Pursuant to Administrative Order 20-17, this Court may issue a decision on the papers. The Court having considered the Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and/or Child Support filed March 14, 2022, (Motion) as well as the parties respective Financial Disclosure Forms, the Opposition to the Motion, the Response and the Reply, as well as the other pleadings and papers filed in this case, and good cause appearing, The Court FINDS the Decree of Divorce entered on March 29, 2012 (Decree) awarded Megan primary physical custody of the two minor children and set child support at 25% of Dustin s income at \$1,416 per month. The Court FINDS Megan has been supporting the minor children without any contribution from Dustin since at least May 2013. The Court FINDS three years have passed since the entry of the Decree and the parties

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are entitled to a review of child support pursuant to NRS 125B.145. The Court FINDS pursuant to NRS 125B.140 payments for child support may not be retroactively modified or adjusted. The Court FINDS Dustin has been incarcerated since May 31, 2013 and is scheduled to be paroled in September 2023. Pursuant to his Financial Disclosure Form filed March 14, 2022 he has no income, however in his moving papers he represents he makes \$30.00 per month. After considering his Financial Disclosure Form and the representations in his Motion, the Court FINDS Dustin's earning capacity is \$30.00 per month. The Court FINDS this is more than a 20% change in his income since the entry of the Decree, which constitutes changed circumstances and modification of the current order for support is appropriate. The Court FINDS the 2022 Low Income Child Support Guidelines (Guidelines) for a payer with 2 children earning less than \$849 per month is 14.52% of their gross monthly income. Based upon these Guidelines, Dustin s child support obligation would be \$4.36 per month, however as Dustin's gross monthly income is below the lowest level set forth in the Guidelines the Court FINDS eliminating Dustin s child support obligation is appropriate. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED Dustin s Motion to Modify Child support is GRANTED. Dustin s obligation of child support shall be SUSPENDED commencing March 1, 2022. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Dustin's request for sanctions is DENIED as he has not shown there is a basis pursuant to EDCR 7.60. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Megan s request to reduce child support arrears to judgment is DENIED as the child support amount set forth on the Exhibit 1 Arrears Statement is not accurate. This denial is without prejudice and Megan may file a new motion and Schedule of Arrears for the Court s consideration. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the hearing set on April 19, 2022 to be heard in Chambers shall be VACATED. IT IS SO ORDERED.;

DATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Petitioner Barral, Megan Elizabeth Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 3/9/2023

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DISTRICT COURT FAMILY DIVISION CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Divorce of: Megan Elizabeth Barral and Dustin James Barral

CASE NO. D-12-458737-Z

DEPT. NO. W

ORDER

The Court having considered Defendant, Dustin Barral's Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support filed December 22, 2022, ("Motion") Plaintiff Megan Johnson's Opposition to the Motion, the Reply, and the Exhibits, as well as the other pleadings and papers filed in this case, and good cause appearing,

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral has been incarcerated since May 2013 and is scheduled to be paroled in September 2023 and seeks joint legal custody of the parties' two children at this time. Legal custody involves having basic legal responsibility for a child and making major decisions regarding the child, including the child's health, education, and religious upbringing. Joint legal custody requires that the parents be able to cooperate, communicate, and compromise to act in the best interest of the child. *Rivero v. Rivero*, 125 Nev. 410, 420, 216 P.3d 213, 221 (2009), citing *Mosley v. Figliuzzi*, 113 Nev. 51, 60-61, 930 P.2d 1110, 1116 (1997). In a joint legal custody situation, the parents must consult with each other to make major decisions regarding the child's upbringing. Given Mr. Barral's incarceration, Ms. Johnson is unable to communicate effectively with Mr. Barral to gain input on major decisions for the children. Further, Mr. Barral has not seen his sons since May 2013, when the children were 5 and 3, and they are now 15 and 13 and given his situation he does not have any understanding of their needs in which to have an informed conversation with Ms. Johnson regarding major decisions for the children. Retaining legal custody with Ms. Johnson at this

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time does not impede on Mr. Barral's relationship with the children, and his request can be revisited once Mr. Barral is paroled and has a more open line of communication and an understanding of the needs of the children.

The Court FINDS although the last custodial order is the parties' Decree of Divorce filed March 29, 2012, Mr. Barral's incarceration in May 2013 resulted in a de facto sole physical custodial situation to Ms. Johnson. Mr. Barral now seeks letters, cards, gifts and phone calls from the children as well as in-person visits in the prison visitation room 3 times per year. Given that 10 years have passed since the children have seen Mr. Barral, and the young ages of the children the last time they saw him, it is not in the children's best interest to see their father for the first time in 10 years at the prison. The impact of re-introducing him into their lives may be emotionally challenging, and a prison visitation room would not be the best location to hold these visits. Additionally, Ms. Johnson indicates that the younger son, Joshua, being only three when his father went to prison, has no memory of him. Levi knows his father is in prison, but given the passage of 10 years' time, Mr. Barral is a stranger to them both. To ask the children to accept letters, cards, gifts and phone calls could be confusing and emotionally damaging without the help of a trained mental health professional.

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral understands a period of reunification will have to occur and a plan for reunification must be established that slowly allows for a relationship with him and his sons. As the change is circumstance he cites (his parole) has not yet occurred Mr. Barral's Motion is premature.

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral seeks grandparent visitation for his mother, Susan Zupancic. Non-parent's rights (i.e. grandparent's rights) are afforded by NRS 125C.050 and must be sought via Petition filed under that statute, and cannot be awarded in this case.

The Court FINDS on January 30, 2023 Mr. Barral filed a Motion for Default Judgment asking the Court to rule in his favor on his Motion due to Ms. Johnson's failure to oppose or otherwise respond to his Motion within 14 days. Ms. Johnson filed an untimely response on

January 5, 2023. This Court is REQUIRED to uphold the policy in Nevada of deciding a case on the merits whenever possible (*Moseley v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 124 Nev. 654, 188 P.3d 1136 (2008)), especially when the action involves child custody (*Dagher v. Dagher*, 103 Nev. 26, 731 P.2d 1329 (1987)). As cases should be disposed of on the merits, rather than with strict regard to technical rules of procedure, the Court accepts Ms. Johnson's late filing.

Therefore, and good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED Defendant's Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support filed December 22, 2022 is DENIED and the hearing set on February 2, 2023 to be heard in Chambers shall be VACATED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Defendant's Motion for Default Judgment is DENIED and the hearing set on March 16, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. shall be VACATED.

STATUTORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICES

Concerning Child Custody or Child Support

Approved by Presiding Judge Pursuant to EDCR 5.707

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.0045(6):

PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF ORDER: THE ABDUCTION, CONCEALMENT OR DETENTION OF A CHILD IN VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS PUNISHABLE AS A CATEGORY D FELONY AS PROVIDED IN NRS 193.130. NRS 200.359 provides that every person having a limited right of custody to a child or any parent having no right of custody to the child who willfully detains, conceals or removes the child from a parent, guardian or other person having lawful custody or a right of visitation of the child in violation of an order of this court, or removes the child from the jurisdiction of the court without the consent of either the court or all persons who have the right to custody or visitation is subject to being punished for a category D felony as provided in NRS 193.130.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.0045(7)(8):

The terms of the Hague Convention of October 25, 1980, adopted by the 14th Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law, apply if a parent abducts or wrongfully retains a child in a foreign country as follows:

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commitments in a foreign country:

(a) The parties may agree, and the court shall include in the order for custody of the child, that the United States is the country of habitual residence of the child for the purposes of applying the terms of the Hague Convention as set

If a parent of the child lives in a foreign country or has significant

the child for the purposes of applying the terms of the Hague Convention as set forth in subsection 7.

(b) Upon motion of one of the parties, the court may order the parent to

(b) Upon motion of one of the parties, the court may order the parent to post a bond if the court determines that the parent poses an imminent risk of wrongfully removing or concealing the child outside the country of habitual residence. The bond

must be in an amount determined by the court and may be used only to pay for the cost of locating the child and returning the child to his or her habitual residence if the child is wrongfully removed from or concealed outside the country of habitual residence. The fact that a parent has significant commitments in a foreign country does not create a presumption that the parent poses an imminent risk of wrongfully removing or concealing the child.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to NRS 125C.006:

- 1. If PRIMARY PHYSICAL CUSTODY has been established pursuant to an order, judgment or decree of a court and the custodial parent intends to relocate his or her residence to a place outside of this State or to a place within this State that is at such a distance that would substantially impair the ability of the other parent to maintain a meaningful relationship with the child, and the custodial parent desires to take the child with him or her, the custodial parent shall, before relocating:
- (a) Attempt to obtain the written consent of the noncustodial parent to relocate with the child; and
- (b) If the noncustodial parent refuses to give that consent, petition the court for permission to relocate with the child.
- 2. The court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to the custodial parent if the court finds that the noncustodial parent refused to consent to the custodial parent's relocation with the child:
 - (a) Without having reasonable grounds for such refusal; or
 - (b) For the purpose of harassing the custodial parent.
- 3. A parent who relocates with a child pursuant to this section without the written consent of the noncustodial parent or the permission of the court is subject to the provisions of NRS 200.359.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to NRS 125C.0065:

1. If JOINT PHYSICAL CUSTODY has been established pursuant to an order, judgment or decree of a court and one parent intends to relocate his or her residence to a place outside of this State or to a place within this State that is at such a distance that would substantially impair the ability of the other parent to maintain a meaningful relationship with the child, and the relocating parent desires to take the child with him or her, the relocating parent shall, before relocating:

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- (a) Attempt to obtain the written consent of the non-relocating parent to relocate with the child; and
- (b) If the non-relocating parent refuses to give that consent, petition the court for primary physical custody for the purpose of relocating.
- 2. The court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to the relocating parent if the court finds that the non-relocating parent refused to consent to the relocating parent's relocation with the child:
 - (a) Without having reasonable grounds for such refusal; or
 - (b) For the purpose of harassing the relocating parent.
- 3. A parent who relocates with a child pursuant to this section before the court enters an order granting the parent primary physical custody of the child and permission to relocate with the child is subject to the provisions of NRS 200.359.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.010(1)(b), for purposes of visitation rights of a child, the State of Nevada or the state where the child resides within the United States of America is the habitual residence of the child.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the parent having the child support obligation is subject to NAC 425.025 and NRS 31A.010 through 31A.350, inclusive, regarding the immediate withholding or assignment of wages, commissions or bonuses for payment of child support, whether current or delinquent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125B.145 and NAC 425.170, either party may request that the Court review the child support obligation every three years or upon changed circumstances.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NAC 425.165 and NRS425.620, if the order pertains to more than one child and does not allocate a specific amount of the total child support obligation to each child, and if you want to adjust the amount of child support established in this order, you MUST file a motion to modify the order with or submit a stipulation to the court. If a motion to modify the order is not filed or a stipulation is not submitted, the child support obligation established in this order will continue until such time as all children who are the subject of this order reach 18 years of age or, if the youngest child who is subject to this order is still in high school when he or she reaches 18 years of age, when the child graduates from high school or reaches 19 years of age, whichever comes first. Unless the

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In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Divorce of: Megan Elizabeth Barral and Dustin James Barral

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NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 1, 2023 an **ORDER** was entered in the above-referenced matter. A copy of the same is attached hereto, and the following is a true and correct copy thereof.

I hereby certify that on the above file-stamped date, I caused the foregoing Notice to be served by: facsimile, by placing a copy in the attorney's folder in the Court clerk's office, by e-service, by e-mailing or by mailing to:

Megan Elizabeth Barral 4478 E. Quail Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89120 Megan_kris@aol.com

Dustin James Barral #1108615 LCC 1200 Prison Rd. Lovelock, NV 89419

/s/ Britney Robinson
Britney Robinson

Judicial Executive Assistant Department W

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DISTRICT JUDGE
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ORDER

The Court having considered Defendant, Dustin Barral's Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support filed December 22, 2022, ("Motion") Plaintiff Megan Johnson's Opposition to the Motion, the Reply, and the Exhibits, as well as the other pleadings and papers filed in this case, and good cause appearing,

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral has been incarcerated since May 2013 and is scheduled to be paroled in September 2023 and seeks joint legal custody of the parties' two children at this time. Legal custody involves having basic legal responsibility for a child and making major decisions regarding the child, including the child's health, education, and religious upbringing. Joint legal custody requires that the parents be able to cooperate, communicate, and compromise to act in the best interest of the child. *Rivero v. Rivero*, 125 Nev. 410, 420, 216 P.3d 213, 221 (2009), citing *Mosley v. Figliuzzi*, 113 Nev. 51, 60-61, 930 P.2d 1110, 1116 (1997). In a joint legal custody situation, the parents must consult with each other to make major decisions regarding the child's upbringing. Given Mr. Barral's incarceration, Ms. Johnson is unable to communicate effectively with Mr. Barral to gain input on major decisions for the children. Further, Mr. Barral has not seen his sons since May 2013, when the children were 5 and 3, and they are now 15 and 13 and given his situation he does not have any understanding of their needs in which to have an informed conversation with Ms. Johnson regarding major decisions for the children. Retaining legal custody with Ms. Johnson at this

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time does not impede on Mr. Barral's relationship with the children, and his request can be revisited once Mr. Barral is paroled and has a more open line of communication and an understanding of the needs of the children.

The Court FINDS although the last custodial order is the parties' Decree of Divorce filed March 29, 2012, Mr. Barral's incarceration in May 2013 resulted in a de facto sole physical custodial situation to Ms. Johnson. Mr. Barral now seeks letters, cards, gifts and phone calls from the children as well as in-person visits in the prison visitation room 3 times per year. Given that 10 years have passed since the children have seen Mr. Barral, and the young ages of the children the last time they saw him, it is not in the children's best interest to see their father for the first time in 10 years at the prison. The impact of re-introducing him into their lives may be emotionally challenging, and a prison visitation room would not be the best location to hold these visits. Additionally, Ms. Johnson indicates that the younger son, Joshua, being only three when his father went to prison, has no memory of him. Levi knows his father is in prison, but given the passage of 10 years' time, Mr. Barral is a stranger to them both. To ask the children to accept letters, cards, gifts and phone calls could be confusing and emotionally damaging without the help of a trained mental health professional.

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral understands a period of reunification will have to occur and a plan for reunification must be established that slowly allows for a relationship with him and his sons. As the change is circumstance he cites (his parole) has not yet occurred Mr. Barral's Motion is premature.

The Court FINDS Mr. Barral seeks grandparent visitation for his mother, Susan Zupancic. Non-parent's rights (i.e. grandparent's rights) are afforded by NRS 125C.050 and must be sought via Petition filed under that statute, and cannot be awarded in this case.

The Court FINDS on January 30, 2023 Mr. Barral filed a Motion for Default Judgment asking the Court to rule in his favor on his Motion due to Ms. Johnson's failure to oppose or otherwise respond to his Motion within 14 days. Ms. Johnson filed an untimely response on

January 5, 2023. This Court is REQUIRED to uphold the policy in Nevada of deciding a case on the merits whenever possible (*Moseley v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 124 Nev. 654, 188 P.3d 1136 (2008)), especially when the action involves child custody (*Dagher v. Dagher*, 103 Nev. 26, 731 P.2d 1329 (1987)). As cases should be disposed of on the merits, rather than with strict regard to technical rules of procedure, the Court accepts Ms. Johnson's late filing.

Therefore, and good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED Defendant's Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation, and/or Child Support filed December 22, 2022 is DENIED and the hearing set on February 2, 2023 to be heard in Chambers shall be VACATED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Defendant's Motion for Default Judgment is DENIED and the hearing set on March 16, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. shall be VACATED.

STATUTORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICES

Concerning Child Custody or Child Support

Approved by Presiding Judge Pursuant to EDCR 5.707

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.0045(6):

PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF ORDER: THE ABDUCTION, CONCEALMENT OR DETENTION OF A CHILD IN VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS PUNISHABLE AS A CATEGORY D FELONY AS PROVIDED IN NRS 193.130. NRS 200.359 provides that every person having a limited right of custody to a child or any parent having no right of custody to the child who willfully detains, conceals or removes the child from a parent, guardian or other person having lawful custody or a right of visitation of the child in violation of an order of this court, or removes the child from the jurisdiction of the court without the consent of either the court or all persons who have the right to custody or visitation is subject to being punished for a category D felony as provided in NRS 193.130.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.0045(7)(8):

The terms of the Hague Convention of October 25, 1980, adopted by the 14th Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law, apply if a parent abducts or wrongfully retains a child in a foreign country as follows:

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commitments in a foreign country:

(a) The parties may agree, and the court shall include in the order for custody of the child, that the United States is the country of habitual residence of the child for the purposes of applying the terms of the Hague Convention as set

If a parent of the child lives in a foreign country or has significant

the child for the purposes of applying the terms of the Hague Convention as set forth in subsection 7.

(b) Upon motion of one of the parties, the court may order the parent to

(b) Upon motion of one of the parties, the court may order the parent to post a bond if the court determines that the parent poses an imminent risk of wrongfully removing or concealing the child outside the country of habitual residence. The bond

must be in an amount determined by the court and may be used only to pay for the cost of locating the child and returning the child to his or her habitual residence if the child is wrongfully removed from or concealed outside the country of habitual residence. The fact that a parent has significant commitments in a foreign country does not create a presumption that the parent poses an imminent risk of wrongfully removing or concealing the child.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to NRS 125C.006:

- 1. If PRIMARY PHYSICAL CUSTODY has been established pursuant to an order, judgment or decree of a court and the custodial parent intends to relocate his or her residence to a place outside of this State or to a place within this State that is at such a distance that would substantially impair the ability of the other parent to maintain a meaningful relationship with the child, and the custodial parent desires to take the child with him or her, the custodial parent shall, before relocating:
- (a) Attempt to obtain the written consent of the noncustodial parent to relocate with the child; and
- (b) If the noncustodial parent refuses to give that consent, petition the court for permission to relocate with the child.
- 2. The court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to the custodial parent if the court finds that the noncustodial parent refused to consent to the custodial parent's relocation with the child:
 - (a) Without having reasonable grounds for such refusal; or
 - (b) For the purpose of harassing the custodial parent.
- 3. A parent who relocates with a child pursuant to this section without the written consent of the noncustodial parent or the permission of the court is subject to the provisions of NRS 200.359.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to NRS 125C.0065:

1. If JOINT PHYSICAL CUSTODY has been established pursuant to an order, judgment or decree of a court and one parent intends to relocate his or her residence to a place outside of this State or to a place within this State that is at such a distance that would substantially impair the ability of the other parent to maintain a meaningful relationship with the child, and the relocating parent desires to take the child with him or her, the relocating parent shall, before relocating:

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- (a) Attempt to obtain the written consent of the non-relocating parent to relocate with the child; and
- (b) If the non-relocating parent refuses to give that consent, petition the court for primary physical custody for the purpose of relocating.
- 2. The court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to the relocating parent if the court finds that the non-relocating parent refused to consent to the relocating parent's relocation with the child:
 - (a) Without having reasonable grounds for such refusal; or
 - (b) For the purpose of harassing the relocating parent.
- 3. A parent who relocates with a child pursuant to this section before the court enters an order granting the parent primary physical custody of the child and permission to relocate with the child is subject to the provisions of NRS 200.359.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125C.010(1)(b), for purposes of visitation rights of a child, the State of Nevada or the state where the child resides within the United States of America is the habitual residence of the child.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the parent having the child support obligation is subject to NAC 425.025 and NRS 31A.010 through 31A.350, inclusive, regarding the immediate withholding or assignment of wages, commissions or bonuses for payment of child support, whether current or delinquent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NRS 125B.145 and NAC 425.170, either party may request that the Court review the child support obligation every three years or upon changed circumstances.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to NAC 425.165 and NRS425.620, if the order pertains to more than one child and does not allocate a specific amount of the total child support obligation to each child, and if you want to adjust the amount of child support established in this order, you MUST file a motion to modify the order with or submit a stipulation to the court. If a motion to modify the order is not filed or a stipulation is not submitted, the child support obligation established in this order will continue until such time as all children who are the subject of this order reach 18 years of age or, if the youngest child who is subject to this order is still in high school when he or she reaches 18 years of age, when the child graduates from high school or reaches 19 years of age, whichever comes first. Unless the

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Divorce - Joint Petition

COURT MINUTES

April 06, 2022

D-12-458737-Z

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Divorce of: Megan Elizabeth Barral and Dustin James Barral

April 06, 2022

11:00 AM

Minute Order

HEARD BY: Rocheleau, Stacy M.

COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Jefferyann Rouse

PARTIES:

Dustin Barral, Petitioner, not present

Pro Se

Joshua Barral, Subject Minor, not present

Levi Barral, Subject Minor, not present

Megan Barral, Petitioner, not present

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JOURNAL ENTRIES

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NRCP 1 and EDCR 1.10 state that the procedures in district court shall be construed, administered, and employed by the court and the parties to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding, and to promote and facilitate the administration of justice.

Pursuant to Administrative Order 20-17, this Court may issue a decision on the papers.

The Court having considered the Motion to Modify Child Custody, Visitation and/or Child Support filed March 14, 2022, (Motion) as well as the parties respective Financial Disclosure Forms, the Opposition to the Motion, the Response and the Reply, as well as the other pleadings and papers filed in this case, and good cause appearing,

The Court FINDS the Decree of Divorce entered on March 29, 2012 (Decree) awarded Megan primary physical custody of the two minor children and set child support at 25% of Dustin's income

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at \$1,416 per month.

The Court FINDS Megan has been supporting the minor children without any contribution from Dustin since at least May 2013.

The Court FINDS three years have passed since the entry of the Decree and the parties are entitled to a review of child support pursuant to NRS 125B.145.

The Court FINDS pursuant to NRS 125B.140 payments for child support may not be retroactively modified or adjusted.

The Court FINDS Dustin has been incarcerated since May 31, 2013 and is scheduled to be paroled in September 2023.

Pursuant to his Financial Disclosure Form filed March 14, 2022 he has no income, however in his moving papers he represents he makes \$30.00 per month. After considering his Financial Disclosure Form and the representations in his Motion, the Court FINDS Dustin's earning capacity is \$30.00 per month.

The Court FINDS this is more than a 20% change in his income since the entry of the Decree, which constitutes changed circumstances and modification of the current order for support is appropriate.

The Court FINDS the 2022 Low Income Child Support Guidelines (Guidelines) for a payer with 2 children earning less than \$849 per month is 14.52% of their gross monthly income. Based upon these Guidelines, Dustin's child support obligation would be \$4.36 per month, however as Dustin's gross monthly income is below the lowest level set forth in the Guidelines the Court FINDS eliminating Dustin's child support obligation is appropriate.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED Dustin s Motion to Modify Child support is GRANTED. Dustin s obligation of child support shall be SUSPENDED commencing March 1, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Dustin s request for sanctions is DENIED as he has not shown there is a basis pursuant to EDCR 7.60.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Megan s request to reduce child support arrears to judgment is DENIED as the child support amount set forth on the Exhibit 1 Arrears Statement is not accurate. This denial is without prejudice and Megan may file a new motion and Schedule of Arrears for the Court s consideration.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the hearing set on April 19, 2022 to be heard in Chambers shall be

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VACATED. IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Certification of Copy

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I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the hereinafter stated original document(s):

NOTICE OF APPEAL; CASE APPEAL STATEMENT; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; ORDER; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES

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now on file and of record in this office.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 9 day of March 2023.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk