Case No. 77810

In the Supreme Court of Nevada

Estate of MARY CURTIS; and LAURA LATRENTA, individually and as personal representative of the Estate of MARY CURTIS,

Appellants,

vs.

SOUTH LAS VEGAS MEDICAL INVESTORS, LLC dba LIFE CARE CENTER OF SOUTH LAS VEGAS f/k/a LIFE CARE CENTER OF PARADISE VALLEY; SOUTH LAS VEGAS INVESTORS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; LIFE CARE CENTERS OF AMERICA, INC.; and CARL WAGNER, Administrator,

Respondents.

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWERING BRIEF

Respondents request an extension of 30 days, through October 16, 2019, to file the opening brief and appendix. NRAP 31(b)(3). This is the first such motion. (The parties previously stipulated to extend the deadline pursuant to NRAP 31(b)(2).) The brief was originally due August 16 and without the extension, would be due September 16. No requests for extension have been denied or denied in part.

Additional time is necessary to complete the brief. The attorney who was primarily responsible for drafting the answering brief is facing

a family emergency. A close relative was recently diagnosed with aggressive, late-stage lymphoma. Another close relative recently suffered from a stroke. As a consequence, another attorney has been asked to assist in the preparation of the answering brief; however, additional time is necessary for that attorney to become familiar with the record and the legal issues. The requested extension will allow counsel to attend to this family emergency and prepare a brief that streamlines the issues on appeal.

And although counsel understands that caseload does not by itself require an extension in the absence of other circumstances, counsel has also faced extraordinary demands with an evidentiary hearing and several emergency filings in a high-profile case. Counsel's *pro bono* cases have also required significant time away from the preparation of this brief, including the preparation for a *pro bono* argument in *Paulos*

v. FCH1, LLC, Docket No. 74912, before the en banc Court on October 7.

This Court's courtesy is appreciated.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2019.

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