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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF
Discontinuing In-person Meetings }
or Gatherings and Conducting }
Court Business Through }
Social Distancing }

Administrative Order: 20-02

Rule 1.30(b) of the Rules of Practice for the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada ("EDCR") charges the Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial District Court ("EJDC") with various responsibilities, such as supervising the administrative business of the EJDC, ensuring the quality and continuity of its services, supervising its calendar, reassigning cases as convenience or necessity requires, assuring the court's duties are timely and orderly performed, and otherwise facilitating the business of the EJDC.

The District Court is closely monitoring local developments in response to the recent outbreak of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19). The District Court will continue to evaluate and implement measures to slow the spread of infection in our community.

During this time, it is critical to protect our judicial resources and prevent the spread of any illness among members of the court, counsel, staff, the public, and as well as our valuable community partners. To further prevent the spread of disease, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends putting distance between yourself and other people.

Therefore, there will be no in-person gatherings or meetings to discuss court business whatsoever, including but not limited to, all judges meetings; executive committee meetings;

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1 division judges meetings; bench-bar meetings; any meetings with community partners;
2 specialty court staffing; specialty court graduations; administrative department meetings;
3 continuing education meetings; and meetings of any judges and/or hearing masters within a
4 particular case assignment.

5 Necessary meetings should be conducted by telephone, teleconference,
6 videoconference, or e-mail.

7 To the extent possible, judges should consider ways to achieve social distancing in
8 their courtrooms and when managing their judicial departments. According to the CDC, the
9 virus is spread mainly from people who are in close contact with one another—within about
10 six feet.

11 This order shall be reviewed no later than every 30 days and shall continue until
12 modified or rescinded by a subsequent order.

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14 Entered this 16th day of March 2020.

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19 Chief Judge
20 Eighth Judicial District Court
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