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JUSTICE COURT, LAS VEGAS TOWNSHIP

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER  
REGARDING NPRAT PILOT PROGRAM

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 16-03

CLERK OF COURT  
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

WHEREAS, JCRLV 6.5(b)(5) empowers the Chief Judge to supervise the administrative business of the Court; and

WHEREAS, in June 2015, the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada unanimously approved a resolution creating a Committee to Study Evidence-Based Pretrial Release; and

WHEREAS, the Committee developed a Nevada Pretrial Risk Assessment Tool (NPRAT) designed to assess a defendant's risk of nonappearance or new criminal behavior and give judges guidance on appropriate release, supervision, or detention decisions; and

WHEREAS, four departments<sup>1</sup> of the Las Vegas Justice Court agreed to be among several courts within the State of Nevada to participate in a pilot program beginning on September 1, 2016, for a period of three to twelve months to test the use of the assessment tool; and

WHEREAS, the PreTrial Services Division of the Las Vegas Justice Court currently lacks adequate staff and resources to interview and assess every arrestee booked into the Clark County Detention Center; therefore,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that, during the pilot program period, PreTrial Services shall not assess any defendant who is arrested on one or more misdemeanor charges, and no gross-misdemeanor or felony charges, using the NPRAT and shall continue to administratively

<sup>1</sup> As of September 1, 2016, the four departments assigned to the pilot program are: Departments 2, 4, 8, and 12.


1 release such defendants in accordance with Administrative Orders 13-01, 14-01, and 15-05,  
2 except as otherwise provided in NRS Chapter 178 or ordered by a judge; and

3 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that PreTrial Services shall have the authority to  
4 administratively release a defendant who is arrested on one or more gross misdemeanor or felony  
5 charges, except as otherwise provided in NRS Chapter 178, if all of the following conditions are  
6 satisfied:  
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- 8 (1) The defendant is not eligible for a Clark County Detention Center administrative  
9 release pursuant to NRS 211.240;
- 10 (2) The defendant has not posted bail;
- 11 (3) PreTrial Services has assessed the defendant using the NPRAT and determined a  
12 final recommended risk level of LOW; and
- 13 (4) The defendant is **not** arrested for any of the following offenses:
  - 14 (a) Any Category A Felony offense;
  - 15 (b) Any Driving Under the Influence-related gross misdemeanor or felony  
16 offense;
  - 17 (c) Any Leaving the Scene of an Accident-related gross misdemeanor or  
18 felony offense;
  - 19 (d) Any Domestic Violence-related gross misdemeanor or felony offense;
  - 20 (e) Any Violation of Protection Order-related gross misdemeanor or felony  
21 offense; or
  - 22 (f) Attempt Murder.

23 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Administrative Order shall become effective  
24 immediately.

25 Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

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28 **Joe Bonaventure,**  
**Chief Justice of the Peace**