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JUSTICE COURT, LAS VEGAS TOWNSHIP
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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4 **IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER**
5 **REGARDING DISQUALIFICATION OF**
6 **THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR**
7 **THE LAS VEGAS JUSTICE COURT**

JUSTICE COURT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 14-02
BY _____
CLERK

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9 **WHEREAS**, Stacey Blankenship-Hicks is a former employee who is accused of various
10 criminal offenses that were allegedly committed in the scope of her employment with the Las
11 Vegas Justice Court; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, this former employee is named as a defendant in **Case #14F-03035X** which
15 is currently assigned to Judge William Kephart; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, NRS 1.230 prohibits a judge from presiding over a proceeding in which
18 actual or implied bias may exist in various respects; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, the justices of the peace are "interested in the action or proceeding" as
22 defined by NRS 1.230(2)(a) in the sense that the Las Vegas Justice Court is the technical victim
23 in the pending criminal case; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, JCRLV 6.5 empowers the Chief Judge to "[s]upervise the court's calendar"
26 and to "[r]eassign cases or categories of cases from a department to another department as
27 convenience or necessity requires"; and
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2 **WHEREAS**, the Chief Judge has determined that Case #14F-03035X needs to be
3 reassigned to another Justice Court in Clark County; therefore,
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5 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the justices of the peace of the Las Vegas Justice
6 Court shall be deemed to be disqualified from presiding over Case #14F-03035X; and
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9 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Case #14F-03035X shall be transferred to the
10 Henderson Justice Court forthwith for further proceedings; and
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13 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the parties in Case #14F-03035X may raise any
14 potential issues relating to venue upon the transfer of that case to the applicable justice of the
15 peace in Henderson Justice Court; and
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17 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that this Administrative Order shall become effective
18 immediately.
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20 Dated this 18th day of June, 2014.
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 Karen Bennett-Haron, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE