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STATE OF NEVADA COUNTY OF WASHOE

ss Tana Ciccotti

Being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That as the legal clerk of the RENO GAZETTE-JOURNAL, a daily newspaper published in Reno, Washoe County, State of Nevada, that the notice:

Ordinance 1147

has published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper on the following dates to wit:

Jan. 25, Feb. 2, 2002

Signed

Pliccotte

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION WASHOE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 1147

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: Bill No.1323, Ordinance No. 1147 entitled:

"An Ordinance amending the Washoe County Code by revising Chapter 10 to reflect the authority of the Court to appoint and/or designate a Clerk of the Court, to eliminate the microfilming of judicial records by the County Clerk by repealing Section 10.040, to update references in Chapter 10 to amended provisions of Chapter 5, and other matters properly relating thereto."

was adopted on January 22, 2002 by Commissioners Bond, Galloway, Sferrazza, Shaw and Short. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after January 27, 2002.

Typewritten copies of the ordinance are available for inspection by all interested persons at the office of the County Clerk, 75 Court Street, Reno, Nevada.

AMY HARVEY, Washoe County Clerk

No.313 Jan.25, Feb.2, 2002

SUMMARY: An ordinance amending Washoe County Code by repealing and revising certain sections of Chapter 10 to reflect the authority of the court to appoint and/or designate the clerk of the court and the elimination of microfilming of judicial records by the county clerk.

BILL NO. <u>/323</u>

ORDINANCE NO. //-47

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WASHOE COUNTY CODE BY REVISING CHAPTER 10 TO REFLECT THE AUTHORITY OF THE COURT TO APPOINT AND/OR DESIGNATE THE CLERK OF THE COURTT, TO ELIMINATE THE MICROFILMING OF JUDICIAL RECORDS BY THE COUNTY CLERK BY REPEALING SECTION 10.040, TO UPDATE REFERENCES IN CHAPTER 10 TO AMENDED PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 5, AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE DO ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. Section 10.040 of the Washoe county Code is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 10.010 of the Washoe County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 10.010 <u>Judicial</u>, <u>law library employees</u>. Section 32 of Article 4 of the Nevada constitution and NRS 3.250 and 246.060 provide that the county clerk is ex officio clerk of the district court. Section 1 of Article 3 of the Nevada constitution provides for a separation of governmental powers, prohibiting the exercise of powers properly belonging to the judicial department by any other governmental department. Pursuant to the Nevada Supreme Court decision in <u>State</u>, <u>ex rel</u>. <u>Harvey v</u>. <u>The Second Judicial District Court</u>, "a district court may exercise control over the court clerk's office either directly, by assuming all or part of the court clerk's functions, or indirectly, by supervising the county clerk in the performance of his or her duties as the <u>ex officio</u> court clerk." <u>Harvey</u>, 117 Nev.Adv.Op.No. 64 (2001). The purpose of sections 10.010 to 10.040, inclusive, is to:
- 1. Recognize that employees in the office of the clerk of the district court are under complete jurisdiction and control of the district judges and are exempt employees pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of section 5.045 of the Washoe County Code.
- 2. Recognize that the employees of the Washoe County law library are also exempt employees, since the law library is an important adjunct to the judicial function, under the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of section 5.045 of the Washoe County Code.
- 3. Provide a method, by the appointment and/or designation of a court administrator, for the institution of administrative methods and procedures for the improvement of the judicial system.

SECTION 3. Section 10.020 of the Washoe County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.020 <u>Court administrator: Appointment.</u> The district judges by majority action shall appoint and/or designate a court administrator. The district judges have denominated the court administrator as clerk of the court.

 $\underline{\text{SECTION 4.}}$ This ordinance shall be given retroactive effect to January 27, 2002.

[Business Impact Note: The Board of County Commissioners hereby finds that this ordinance does not impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a business, nor does it directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business.]

Proposed	on th	ne 8th	_ day c	f January	 2002.
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Passed or	n the	22nd	day of	January	 2002.

Vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Sferrazza, Shaw, Bond, Short & Galloway

Nays:

Absent:

Chairman

Washoe County Commission

County Clerk

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 27th day of January , 2002.