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IN THE FAMILY DIVISION OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

IN THE MATTER OF LIMITED DISCLOSURE OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY RECORDS IN FURTHERANCE OF RESEARCH INTO REDUCING RECIDIVISM OF JUVENILE SEX OFFENDERS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

NRS 62.360 sets forth limited provisions under which this Court may authorize the release of juvenile court records to entities having a legitimate interest in such records. In the last five years, the incidence of juvenile sex offenses filed with this Court has increased by over 100 percent. In the same time frame, the Washoe County Department of Juvenile Probation has increased its juvenile sex offender caseload by 200 percent, requiring the appointment of three full-time juvenile probation officers dedicated to that workload. Currently, The Nevada State Legislature appropriates \$82,000 annually to the Division of Child and Family Services for the treatment of juvenile sex offenders statewide. Washoe County is reimbursed approximately \$32,000 each year for treatment costs. In an effort to evaluate the efficacy of this treatment in reducing juvenile sex offending behavior, the Northern Nevada Juvenile Sex Offender Task Force and Robert Stuyvesant, MFT have jointly entered into a recidivism study. In order to effectively engage in such a study, it is necessary for the Department of Juvenile Services to share with Robert Stuyvesant

information from confidential juvenile files. The study will be completed on an annual basis. Accordingly, good cause appearing, it is hereby ordered as follows:

- The Department of Juvenile Services is authorized to release to Robert Stuyvesant, information from pending and past juvenile files in furtherance of a study addressing recidivism of juvenile sex offending behavior.
- 2. A report to the Court will be provided within 30 days of the study being completed.
- 3. All information identifiable to a minor or any other person will be kept strictly confidential. Only individuals directly involved in the study may review the confidential files. The final report will be presented in a generic or aggregate format.
- 4. The Department of Juvenile Services is authorized to work cooperatively with Federal, State and County law enforcement agencies to access crime statistics and information relevant to the research described in this Administrative Order.
 IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED THIS day of MARCH, 2004.

FRANCES M. DOHERTY

PRESIDING FAMILY COURT JUDGE