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**UNIFIED COURT FACILITIES SECURITY POLICY**

WHEREAS, it is a court's duty to administer justice and fairly adjudicate disputes and in the process, to ensure that all parties have the opportunity to advance their cause in an atmosphere of safety, decorum and fairness, and

WHEREAS, it is universally recognized that to be effective, the administration of justice must be conducted in a safe and secure environment; safe and secure for the people who work to administer justice as well as for the people who come to the courts for justice, and

WHEREAS, the judges have been advised by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office that it is fundamental to ensuring a safe and secure court environment that weapons and their availability be strictly limited and controlled, and

WHEREAS, recent local and national events have demonstrated an urgent need for a clear statement and implementation of a court security policy, and

WHEREAS, courts are vested with the discretion and authority to provide for court security in order to ensure the safety of court officers, parties and the public,

Accordingly, the judges of the Second Judicial District Court, through their Chief Judge, together with the judges of the Reno Township Justice Court and the Reno Municipal Court acting through their respective Administrative Judges, jointly issue the following Joint Administrative Order affecting security measures for the court facilities located at 75 Court Street, 1 South Sierra Street in Reno, and Sparks Justice Court at 630 Greenbrae Drive in Sparks, to be effective August 15, 2006:

RONALD A. LONGSTIN, JR., CLERK  
By: *[Signature]*  
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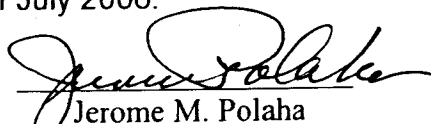
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## JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

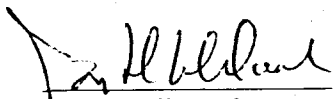
GOOD CAUSE APPEARING THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. No weapons of any kind are allowed in the court facilities. This prohibition does not apply to security personnel of the courts in the performance of their official duties, or to law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties if the officer is in uniform or otherwise properly identified to court security and is not a party to a matter then before the court. A presiding judge may authorize additional exceptions under appropriate circumstances and with proper notice to court security.
2. All persons and objects are subject to screening by court security personnel for the purpose of keeping weapons from entering court facilities. Refusal of a person to submit to a search as provided by this order shall result in removal of the person from the court facility.
3. Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court.
4. Notice shall be posted that "NO WEAPONS OF ANY KIND ARE PERMITTED IN THIS COURT FACILITY."
5. The term 'court facility (ies)' is defined as the Washoe County Courthouse located at 75 Court Street, the North Tower and floors 1 through 3 of the South Tower which lie within the sole control, possession and authority of the Reno Municipal Court, as well as the lobby area of the Mills B. Lane Justice Center located at 1 South Sierra Street, Reno, and the Sparks Justice Court located at 650 Greenbrae Drive, Sparks, Nevada.
6. The term weapon(s) is defined as any firearm or dangerous weapon defined or referred to in NRS 202.253, 202.255, 202.265, 202.320, and 202.350.
7. This order will remain in effect unless and until otherwise ordered by the courts.

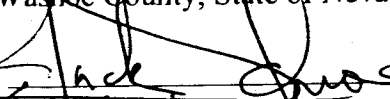
DATED: This 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 2006.



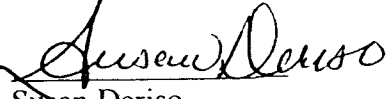
Jerome M. Polaha  
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Washoe County, State of Nevada



Jay D. Dilworth  
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Administrative Judge  
Reno Township Justice Court



Susan Deriso  
Administrative Judge  
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