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

IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER OF:

CASE AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2019-05

WHEREAS, the Second Judicial District Court Chief Judge has authority to make administrative decisions pertaining to the business of the Court (WDCR 2(2), NRS 3.025(2)(c)); and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge shall assign cases to each judge in the judicial district (NRS 3.025(2)(a)); and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2018, Administrative Order 2018-16 was entered whereby Department 14 was assigned only minor guardianships, joint petitions without children, joint petitions with children, minor name changes, and emancipations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Administrative Order 2018-16, active divorce and custody cases that had been assigned to Department 14 were randomly reassigned to Departments 2, 11, 12 and 13; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 2018-16 was intended to be temporary in nature; and WHEREAS, on April 16, 2019, Administrative Order 2018-16 was rescinded pursuant Administrative Order 2019-04; and

WHEREAS, the judicial vacancy in Department 14 was filled on May 20, 2019, with the swearing-in of Judge Tamatha Schreinert; and

WHEREAS, restoration of a reasonable balance of divorce and custody caseloads between the impacted Departments may be appropriate as recommended by the Court's Information Technology Division and as determined by each Judge in Departments 2, 11, 12 and 13 so as to effectively and efficiently serve the needs of the litigants appearing in the Second Judicial District Court's Family Division.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. That Court Administration shall randomly select a portion of the contested divorce matters filed between October 1, 2018, and April 16, 2019, that may be reassigned to Department 14 so as to bring more balance between the Family Division caseloads; and
- 2. Any case reassigned from Department 14 pursuant to Administrative Order 2018-16 may be assigned back to Department 14 once the case has been disposed.
- 3. The Judges in Departments 2, 11, 12 and 13 shall use their discretion in promptly determining whether to reassign opened or closed cases from their respective Departments to Department 14, or whether to proceed without all or part of such rebalancing as set forth herein.

DATED this **2** Lay of May, 2019.

CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE