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

IN THE MATTER OF:
2026 ELECTION JUDGE ASSIGNMENT

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2026-09

The Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District Court (“Court”) has authority to make administrative decisions pertaining to the business of the Court, including assignment of cases and hours of the Court. WDCR 2(2); NRS 3.025(2)(c). The Primary Election will take place in Washoe County on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, and the General Election will take place on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

As with past practice, it is appropriate to designate Election Judges to hear both emergency election disputes and election-related matters filed between the date of this order and certification of the 2026 General Election. It is also appropriate for the Court to be available extended hours on June 9, 2026, and November 3, 2026, to adjudicate emergency election disputes.

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Accordingly, it is ordered:

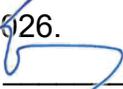
1. Judges Kathleen M. Drakulich (Department 1) and Tammy M. Riggs (Department 3) shall serve as the Election Judges and will hear any election-related matters filed between the date of this order and certification of the 2026 General Election. This assignment includes any emergency election disputes filed on either June 9, 2026, or November 3, 2026.
 - a. The Clerk of Court is directed to file any election-related matters by random assignment to Department 1 and Department 3. Should any party file a peremptory challenge, the matter will be assigned to the other Election Judge. If both sides file peremptory challenges, preempting both Election Judges from hearing the matter, it shall be randomly assigned amongst the remaining General Jurisdiction departments.
 - b. Should any question or issue arise regarding whether a matter is election-related, the Chief Judge will make the determination.
 - c. Any election-related matter may be heard by audio/visual means at the discretion of the assigned Election Judge.
 - d. Any election-related matter may be recorded via either court reporter or recorded via the Court’s recording system at the discretion of the assigned Election Judge.
 - e. No ex parte communications will be entertained by an Election Judge absent extraordinary exigent circumstances.
2. On June 9, 2026, and November 3, 2026, the Clerk of Court shall be available to accept election-related filings.
 - a. On these dates, the Clerk of Court shall open the Filing Office at 7:00 a.m. and the Filing Office will remain open for document filing and processing until thirty (30) minutes after the last voter has reported in Washoe County, or 9:00 p.m., whichever is later.

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b. During extended hours, the Clerk of Court shall only accept election-related filings. Filings may be accepted electronically through the Court's electronic filing system or in-person at 75 Court Street, Reno, Nevada 89501.

This Administrative Order shall remain in effect until the date the 2026 General Election ballot is certified or until specifically modified or rescinded by subsequent administrative order.

DATED this 17 day of March, 2026.



Egan K. Walker
CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE