CHANGE OF VENUE

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Use this packet only if <u>all</u> of the following requirements have been met:

You have a case in the Second Judicial District Court Family Division.

You would like your case to be transferred to another venue in the State of Nevada.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORMS

Carefully read all instructions before starting to fill out any of the forms.

Use **black or blue ink only**. Neatly print the information requested.

Do not use correction fluid/tape on the forms.

This packet contains the following forms:

- 1. Demand and/or Motion for Change of Venue
- 2. Proof of Service
- 3. Reply to Opposition to Demand and/or Motion for Change of Venue
- 4. Request for Submission
- 5. Proof of Service

The penalty for willfully making a false statement under penalty of perjury is a minimum of 1 year, and a maximum of 4 years in prison, in addition to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00. N.R.S. §199.145.

INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 1





INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 2

Electronically Filing and Serving the Documents

You will need to upload the original documents to eFlex. EFlex is available online at <u>https://wceflex.washoecourts.com/</u>, in the Law Library and the Resource Center.

Sign into your eFlex account using the username and password you created and electronically file the:

• Demand and/or Motion and any Exhibits.

Make sure to keep the original documents you file for your personal records. File-stamped copies of your documents are available through your eFlex account.

Scanners are available at the Law Library and the Resource Center.

There may be a filing fee charged when documents are filed. Fee information is available at the Resource Center and online at: <u>www.washoecourts.com</u>.

FILING FEE WAIVERS

If you cannot afford the filing fee, you may apply to have your filing fee waived. To apply, you must fill out and file the application found in the **Application for Waiver of Fees and Costs packet**, which may be obtained at the following locations:

- Resource Center, 1 South Sierra Street, Reno, NV, Third Floor
- Law Library, 75 Court Street, Reno, NV, First Floor
- Online at: <u>www.washoecourts.com</u> (select the "Forms and Packets" tab on the right hand side of the home screen)

Once a document has been electronically filed, a Notice of Electronic Filing will be automatically generated and sent to any electronic filers in the case. All electronic filers have agreed to accept the notice as valid and effective service. This replaces the need for paper service.

If the other party has not yet signed up for electronic filing, or you do not know whether the other party is an electronic filer, please contact the Resource Center. Additional steps are required to complete service if the other party is not an electronic filer.

The Notice of Electronic Filing does not replace the Proof of Service (*see* INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 3).

INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 3

Complete the Proof of Service as Shown:

This form must be completed by the person who serves the documents.



INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 4

Filing the Proof of Service

After service is completed, you must file the Proof of Service with the Court (*See* INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 2). There will not be a filing fee for the Proof of Service.

Without proof of service on the other party, the court cannot consider your request.

Time to Respond

If you served the other party through eFlex or personal service, the other party has fourteen (14) days, beginning the day after service, to file an opposition/response to the demand and/or motion.

If you served the other party by U.S. Mail, the other party has seventeen (17) days, beginning the day after mailing, to file an opposition/response to the demand and/or motion.

If the other party does not oppose/respond within that time, you will file the Request for Submission to send your demand and/or motion to the judge for review. Please skip INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 5 and continue to INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 6.

If the other party does file an opposition/response, you have seven (7) days, beginning the day after service upon you, to file a Reply to the opposition/response. If the other party serves you by U.S. Mail, you have ten (10) days, starting the day after mailing, to file a Reply to the opposition/response. Please continue to INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 5.

INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 5

Only use this form if the other party has filed an opposition to the demand and/or motion.

Complete the Reply as Shown:



INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 6

Complete the Request for Submission as Shown:



INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 7

Filing and Serving the Reply and Request for Submission

File and serve the Reply and Request for Submission as you did the Motion (see INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 2).

INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 8

Complete and File the Proof of Service for the Reply and Request for Submission

Complete the second Proof of Service for both the Reply and Request for Submission (*see* INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 3 and INSTRUCTIONS: STEP 4). Once filed, served, and submitted the Court has up to 60 days to grant, deny, or set the Motion for hearing. There is no fee to file these documents.

What Happens Next?

Once all the necessary documents have been filed, served, and submitted, the court has up to 60 days to grant, deny, or set the demand and/or motion for hearing. All orders can be reviewed and printed from your eFlex account

If there is an order transferring the case, the actual transfer of the file from one court to another usually takes approximately 2 to 3 weeks.

Contact the county to which you are transferring your case to confirm any steps you need to take to finish the transfer of venue.

Legal Assistance Information

The information in this packet is provided as a courtesy only. This packet is not a substitute for the advice of an attorney. Counsel is always recommended for legal matters.

If you do not have an attorney, you are encouraged to seek the advice of a licensed attorney or contact the Resource Center or the Law Library. **The Resource Center and the Law Library staff cannot give legal advice** but can give information regarding court procedures.

You may wish to speak with a lawyer at no cost through the Law Library's Lawyer in the Library program. The Lawyer in the Library program is held via Zoom; you must register ahead of time to participate. No walk-ins accepted as space is limited.

LAWYER IN THE LIBRARY

Sign up on our website: <u>https://www.washoecourts.com/LawLibrary/LawyerInLibrary</u> For questions, contact the Law Library at 775-328-3250

To seek assistance from other free or reduced-cost legal resources in the area, please contact:

NEVADA LEGAL SERVICES

449 S. Virginia St. Reno, NV 89501 775-284-3491 – leave a message, if necessary https://nevadalegalservices.org

NORTHERN NEVADA LEGAL AID

1 S. Sierra St., 1st Floor Reno, NV 89501 775-321-2062 – leave a message, if necessary <u>https://nnlegalaid.org</u>

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