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## JUSTICE COURT, LAS VEGAS TOWNSHIP CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER
REGARDING ADDITIONAL FEES
IMPOSED BY THE LAS VEGAS
TOWNSHIP JUSTICE COURT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 11-12

AMENDED NUNC PRO TUNC

(on June 14, 2013)

WHEREAS, in the case of <u>Blackjack Bonding v. City of Las Vegas Municipal Court</u>, 116 Nev. 1213 (2000), the Nevada Supreme Court declared that the state's courts have inherent judicial powers to charge and collect reasonable fees, in addition to the fees that are enumerated by statute; and

WHEREAS, the Las Vegas Justice Court and Clark County have entered into a Letter of Understanding (attached hereto) which allows for new "inherent power" fees to be deposited into separate special accounts administered by the County and maintained for the benefit of the Las Vegas Justice Court; and

WHEREAS, the revenue generated by the new "inherent power" fees will be used for the purpose of maintaining the Court's judicial departments, including, without limitation, the cost for additional staff and other costs outlined in the Letter of Understanding; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following additional fees shall be imposed by the Las Vegas Justice Court:

The Letter of Understanding refers to a \$50.00 fee for the filing of a Formal Objection to a Referee's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations. However, the Chief Judge has determined that this fee should be held in abeyance for the time being, due to the current economic climate affecting pro se litgants in Clark County.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees described in this Order will be deposited to County Fund # 2100.941 (entitled "LVJC Special Filing Fees"), Cost Center # 1185411000, and Revenue Account # 432000; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees described in this Order shall be imposed on or after February 1, 2012; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees described in this Order shall be payable in advance if demanded by the Clerk of the Court, but such fees may be waived upon the granting of a properly filed Motion to Proceed in Forma Pauperis; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in addition to waivers obtained by Motions to

Proceed in Forma Pauperis, the Division Administrators for the Las Vegas Justice Court shall
have the ability and discretion to prepare written requests for the waiver of fees described in this

Order, and such waivers shall be effective if approved by the Chief Judge; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Las Vegas Justice Court shall, on or before the fifth day of each month, account for and pay to the Clark County Treasurer all fees collected pursuant to this Order during the preceding month; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court Administrator for the Las Vegas Justice Court shall ensure that a copy of this Administrative Order is posted on the Court's website, posted in conspicuous locations in the Court's customer service lobbies, and forwarded to local attorneys via e-mail notice from the Clark County Bar Association.

Karen Bennett-Haron, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE