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CASE NO: A-26-952680-W
Department 23

**EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

OUR NEVADA JUDGES, INC.,

Petitioner,

vs.

GOODSPRINGS JUSTICE COURT; and
LARRY SHUPE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,

Respondent.

Case No.:

Dept. No.:

**EX-PARTE PETITION FOR
ALTERNATIVE WRIT OF
MANDAMUS; OR, IN THE
ALTERNATIVE FOR A PEREMPTORY
WRIT OF MANDAMUS**

COMES NOW, Our Nevada Judges, Inc., a Nevada Non-Profit Corporation (hereinafter "ONJ"); by and through its attorney of record James M. Jimmerson, Esq., and hereby files its ex-parte petition for alternative writ of *mandamus*; or, in the alternative for a peremptory writ of *mandamus*.

This petition is based upon all the pleadings and papers on file herein, the following Points and Authorities and any argument of counsel as may be had.

DATED this 30th day of July, 2026.

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/s/ James M. Jimmerson, Esq.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

On April 25, 2024, the Founding Director of ONJ, Alexander Falconi, requested a J.A.V.S. recording. Exhibit 1. The Goodsprings Justice Court refused. Exhibit 2. On May 19, 2026, ONJ prevailed in an identical action against the Moapa Valley Justice Court for refusing to release J.A.V.S. Exhibit 3. Accordingly, on July 29, 2026, Mr. Falconi renewed ONJ's request, citing District Court Judge Anna Albertson's order. Exhibit 4. The Goodsprings Justice Court acknowledged it was in possession of the requested J.A.V.S., but refused, citing an administrative order categorically forbidding release of J.A.V.S. Exhibit 5. Exhibit 6. ONJ has been providing comprehensive electronic coverage of proceedings concerning Jose "Chille" DeCastro, an upcoming hearing of which Municipal Court Judge Matt Walker is allowing comprehensive electronic coverage of, consistent with SCR 230(1). The Goodsprings Justice Court's categorical ban on release of J.A.V.S. improperly interferes with ongoing media coverage. This petition for an alternative writ of *mandamus* follows.

Mr. Falconi was recognized as running the "press organization" now incorporated as ONJ. *See Falconi v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 543 P.3d 92, 94 (2024) (hereinafter "*Falconi*"). The Supreme Court, unanimously, expressed this opinion again in *Nester vs Eighth Judicial Dist. Ct.*, 141 Nev. Adv. Op. 4 (2025). Indeed, the Supreme Court linked ONJ's work both before as Mr. Falconi's sole proprietorship and post-incorporation as the entity now formally established as ONJ. *Our Nev. Judges, Inc. v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 555 P.3d 777 (Nev. 2024) (unpublished) ("even though the opinion lists a different party's name, [Mr. Falconi and ONJ] are one and the same."); *see also Our Nev. Judges, Inc. v. Second Judicial Dist. Court*, 553 P.3d 445 (Nev. 2024) (unpublished); *see also Our Nev. Judges, Inc. v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 555 P.3d 777 (Nev. 2024) (unpublished).

ONJ is entitled to a writ of mandamus under NRS 34.160 and NRS 34.170. See also Nevada Constitution Article VI Section 6; NRS 34.160. When the Writ is applied for without notice, and the Writ is allowed by the Court, an Alternative Writ shall be first issued. NRS 34.200. See NRS 34.190(2). "[T]he scope of the press's and public's access to courts is an important issue of law, as well as a substantial issue of public policy, warranting [] extraordinary

1 consideration [because] direct appellate review is often not available to the press, and thus, writs
2 for extraordinary relief may be necessary to challenge a denial of access.” A writ of mandamus
3 is available to compel the performance of an act that the law requires as a duty resulting from
4 an office, trust or station, see NRS 34.160, *or to control an arbitrary or capricious exercise of*
5 *discretion*. See *Round Hill Gen. Imp. Dist. v. Newman*, 97 Nev. 601, 637 P.2d 534 (1981).

6 ONJ typically seeks peremptory writs, but this specific case presents an opportunity for
7 this Court to issue an alternative writ. NRS 34.190(2). This is because, upon reading this petition
8 and this Court’s alternate writ, it is unlikely the Goodsprings Justice Court will resist because
9 no written sealing order forbidding release was entered. Indeed, the Supreme Court’s holding in
10 *NY Times Co. v. Dist. Ct. (Doe 1 trust)*, 141 Nev. Adv. Op. 71 (Dec. 23, 2025) requires statutory,
11 constitutional, and common law principles be considered before a court can seal a record. In this
12 case, no sealing record exists, and the Goodsprings Justice Court refuses to release JAVS as a
13 policy. Thus, the alternate writ will conserve judicial and non-profit resources. NRS 34.190(2).
14 In this regard, NRS 34.190(2) provides: "The alternative writ shall state generally the allegation
15 against the party to whom it is directed, and command such party, immediately after receipt of
16 the writ, or at some other specified time, to do the act required to be performed, or to show cause
17 before the court, at a specified time and place, why the party has not done so." ONJ would
18 typically include objecting parties as a real-party in interest, but there having been no request
19 by any party to seal, it appears the Clerk of the Goodsprings Justice Court acted unilaterally or
20 under the instruction of Justice of the Peace Larry Shupe.

21 The justice courts are subject to public and press scrutiny as much as the district courts
22 and our appellate courts. Indeed, "[i]t is not unrealistic even in this day to believe that public
23 inclusion affords citizens a form of legal education and hopefully promotes confidence in the
24 fair administration of justice." *State v. Schmit*, 273 Minn. 78, 87-88, 139 N. W. 2d 800, 807
25 (1966). “Instead of acquiring information about trials by firsthand observation or by word of
26 mouth from those who attended, people now acquire it chiefly through the print and electronic
27 media. In a sense, this validates the media claim of functioning as surrogates for the public.”
28 *Richmond Newspapers*, 448 U. S. 525, 573 (1980).

1 If Judge Shupe enters an order sealing the JAVS videos, such an order would not
2 properly be within the scope of this petition, and ONJ will consider whether to file a new writ
3 petition with relevant points and authorities based on any such order he may enter. Likewise, if
4 at such juncture a party is the impetus that moved to seal, ONJ will be sure to include the party
5 as a real-party in interest.

6 THEREFORE, Petitioner ask this Court to issue an alternate writ of mandamus directing
7 the Goodsprings Justice Court to turn the requested JAVS videos in case no. 23CCG005348
8 over to ONJ; or, for the Clerk of Goodsprings Justice Court and Justice of the Peace Gregor
9 Larry Shupe to appear before this Court and show cause why a peremptory writ of mandamus
10 should not issue. If this Court is disinclined to consider issuing an alternate writ, ONJ urges this
11 Court to set a hearing on shortened time because the subsequent proceedings are impending the
12 J.A.V.S. video in question could assist the public in its understanding of proceedings concerning
13 Jose “Chille” DeCastro.

14 ***AFFIRMATION:** This document does not contain a social security number of any*
15 *person.*

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17 DATED this 30th day of July, 2026.

18 THE JIMMERSON LAW FIRM, P.C.

19 /s/ James M. Jimmerson, Esq.
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VERIFICATION

I, Alexander M. Falconi, state that I have read this *Petition* and that the contents are true and correct of my own personal knowledge, except for those matters I have stated that are not of my own personal knowledge, but that I only believe them to be true, and as for those matters, I do believe they are true.

I declare¹ under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED this July 30, 2026



Alexander M. Falconi
Founding Director
Our Nevada Judges, Inc.
admin@ournevadajudges.com

¹ NRS 53.045 (declaration in lieu of affidavit).

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EXHIBIT 1

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Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

General Inquiry on JAVS

Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

Thu, Apr 25, 2024 at 9:01 PM

To: Goodsprings JC Public Response <goodspringsJCPR@clarkcountynv.gov>

Good evening, does the Goodsprings Justice Court retain J.A.V.S. recordings of hearings? I've noticed most of our courts do but there are a few that don't.

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Alexander Falconi

Founding Director

<https://www.ournevadajudges.com>



Our Nevada Judges, Inc. is a [non-profit corporation](#) recognized by the [IRS](#) as a [Section 501\(c\)\(3\)](#) organization.

EXHIBIT 2

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Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

General Inquiry on JAVS

Goodsprings JC Public Response <GoodspringsJCPR@clarkcountynv.gov>

Wed, May 1, 2024 at 11:29 AM

To: Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

The Goodsprings Township Justice Court utilizes JAVS, however we do not distribute those recordings.

Transcripts of court proceedings can be requested. In the past transcripts would require request to the court and a \$100 minimum as a deposit made out to SOS Transcription, cost could go up depending on work involved; current costs are not known.

With a case# search at <http://cvpublicaccess.clarkcountynv.gov> most all case dockets can be publicly viewed for free to see case status and notes.

Ken – Goodsprings Township Justice Court

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DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

OUR NEVADA JUDGES, INC.,

Petitioner,

vs.

MOAPA VALLEY JUSTICE COURT;

and GREGORY SCOTT MILLS,

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,

Respondent.

Case No.: A-26-946148-W

Dept. No.: XI

**ALTERNATIVE WRIT OF
MANDAMUS AND ORDER TO
SHOW CAUSE**

Hearing: 6/3/26 at 945 am

Currently before the Court is Petitioner Our Nevada Judges, Inc. ('ONJ') petition for writ of *mandamus* filed May 8, 2026 and submitted to the Court for consideration.

On March 22, 2026, Alex Falconi, the Founding Director of ONJ, filed a media request seeking permission to provide electronic coverage of hearings on several matters before the Moapa Valley Justice Court, which Justice of the Peace Gregory Mills denied, consistent with SCR 230(1). ONJ subsequently requested a copy of the JAVS recording, which the Moapa Valley Justice Court refused to release, apparently as a matter of policy. It does not appear to be in dispute that Mr. Falconi and ONJ are a member of the press. *Falconi v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 543 P.3d 92, 94 (2024). See also *Nester vs Eighth Judicial Dist. Ct.*, 141

1 Nev. Adv. Op. 4 (2025). See also *Our Nev. Judges, Inc. v. Eighth Judicial Dist.*
2 *Court*, 555 P.3d 777 (Nev. 2024)(unpublished). Having reviewed the Moapa
3 Valley Justice Court’s response, it is readily apparent that no sealing order has
4 been relied upon in refusing to release the court records requested by ONJ. Judge
5 Mills’ denial of the SCR 230(1) request is not under review. It is, however,
6 manifest abuse of discretion for the Moapa Valley Justice Court to refuse to
7 release the J.A.V.S. recordings.

8 It has been “recognized that direct appellate review is often not available to
9 the press, and thus, writs for extraordinary relief may be necessary to challenge a
10 denial of access.” *Falconi, Id.* See also NRS 34.160 and NRS 34.170. See also
11 Nevada Constitution Article VI Section 6; NRS 34.160. See *Round Hill Gen. Imp.*
12 *Dist. v. Newman*, 97 Nev. 601, 637 P.2d 534 (1981).

13 The Supreme Court’s holding in *NY Times Co. v. Dist. Ct.*(Doe 1 trust), 141
14 Nev. Adv. Op. 71 (Dec. 23, 2025) requires statutory, constitutional, and common
15 law principles be considered before a court can seal a record. In this case, no
16 sealing order exists, and the Moapa Valley Justice Court refuses to release JAVS
17 as a sweeping policy. "It is not unrealistic even in this day to believe that public
18 inclusion affords citizens a form of legal education and hopefully promotes
19 confidence in the fair administration of justice." *State v. Schmit*, 273 Minn. 78,
20 87-88, 139 N. W. 2d 800, 807 (1966). “Instead of acquiring information about
21 trials by firsthand observation or by word of mouth from those who attended,
people now acquire it chiefly through the print and electronic media. In a sense,
this validates the media claim of functioning as surrogates for the public.”

1 *Richmond Newspapers*, 448 U. S. 525, 573 (1980). "People in an open society do
2 not demand infallibility from their institutions, but it is difficult for them to accept
3 what they are prohibited from observing." *Richmond Newspapers*, 448 U. S., at
4 572.

5 This Court has also considered the time-sensitive nature of ONJ's request
6 given it is a member of the press, the lack of any sealing order or particularized
7 basis for denial of its release, and has determined that issuance of alternative writ
8 relief is consistent with *City of Reno v. Dist. Ct.*, 142 Nev. Advance Opinion 13
9 (2026). This is especially appropriate because it gives ONJ an opportunity to file
10 a subsequent writ petition in the event parties file a motion to seal or Judge Mills
11 enters a sealing order *sua sponte*.

12 **THEREFORE**, in accordance with, NRS 34.190(2), the Moapa Valley
13 Justice Court is HEREBY PLACED ON NOTICE that it has apparently violated
14 statutory, constitutional, and common law principles in refusing to release court
15 records to ONJ, and is HEREBY COMMANDED to release the J.A.V.S. videos
16 of the March 23, 2026 hearings in 25CCV000648, 25CCV000649, and
17 25CCV000645, forthwith. In the alternative, The Moapa Valley Justice Court
18 shall appear before this Court on 3rd of June, 2026,
19 945 am
20 and show cause, if any it has, why this Court should not issue a peremptory writ
21 of *mandamus*.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that to the extent the Justice of the Peace
2 Gregory Mills has forbid the Clerk of the Moapa Valley Justice Court from
3 release court records, he is to reverse his instructions to the Clerk or, in the
4 alternative, appear before this Court alongside the Moapa Valley Justice Court
5 and show cause why a peremptory writ should not issue.

6 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that ONJ shall serve a copy of its writ
7 petition and this alternative writ of mandamus upon the Moapa Valley Justice
8 Court and Justice of the Peace Gregory Mills forthwith.

9 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that ONJ shall notify this Court promptly
10 upon the Moapa Valley Justice Court and Judge Mills' compliance with the
11 alternative writ so that the show cause hearing can be vacated.

Dated this 19th day of May, 2026



DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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Anna Albertson
District Court Judge

15 Respectfully Submitted,

16 By: /s/ Robert Murdock, Esq.

17 Robert E. Murdock, Esq.

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3 DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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6 Our Nevada Judges, Inc.,
Plaintiff(s)

CASE NO: A-26-946148-W

7 vs.

DEPT. NO. Department 11

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9 Gregory Mills, Defendant(s)

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11 **AUTOMATED CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

12 This automated certificate of service was generated by the Eighth Judicial District
13 Court. The foregoing Writ of Mandamus was served via the court's electronic eFile system to
all recipients registered for e-Service on the above entitled case as listed below:

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EXHIBIT 4

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Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

General Inquiry on JAVS

Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 2:50 PM

To: Goodsprings JC Public Response <GoodspringsJCPR@clarkcountynv.gov>

Good afternoon, in light of the writ issued by District Court Judge Anna Albertson against the Moapa Valley Justice Court for its refusal to release JAVS, I'd like to renew the non-profit corporation's request for JAVS in 23CCG005348.

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Our Nevada Judges, Inc. is a non-profit corporation recognized by the IRS as a [Section 501\(c\)\(3\)](#) organization.

"Justice is not the exercise of hatred, it is the celebration of civilization."



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EXHIBIT 5

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General Inquiry on JAVS

Goodsprings JC Public Response <GoodspringsJCPR@clarkcountynv.gov>

Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 3:45 PM

To: Alexander Falconi <admin@ournevadajudges.com>

Please see attached Order No. AO-1-2025, Access to Judicial Records of the Goodsprings Justice Court.

JAVS recordings are not for public distribution; transcripts of court proceedings are deemed to be the official record. Transcripts are prepared through eScibers, I believe this to be their current rates:

Nevada Justice Court Rate Sheet

Service	Unit	Rate
14-day Turnaround - Non-expedited, Normal Delivery.	Per Page	\$3.20
5-day Turnaround - Expedited Delivery	Per Page	\$3.95
3-day Turnaround - Expedited Delivery	Per Page	\$4.25
2-day Turnaround - Expedited Delivery	Per Page	\$4.75
Next Day Turnaround - Expedited Delivery - Request must be received by 11:59am PT for Next Day Delivery	Per Page	\$5.95
Copy Sale - Alternate Party than original order	Per Page	\$1.35

Ken –

Goodsprings Township Justice Court

Phone 702-874-1405

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EXHIBIT 6

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1 **IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE GOODSPRINGS TOWNSHIP**
2 **COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF NEVADA**

15 MAR 10 AM 10:02

JUSTICE COURT
GOODSPRINGS, NEVADA
SMA

4 In re:

5 Access to Judicial Records of the

6 Goodsprings Justice Court

Order No. AO-1-2025

8 **WHEREAS**, NRS 239.010 declares that all public records of a governmental
9 entity, "the contents of which are not otherwise declared by law to be confidential,"
10 must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by any person, and may be
11 fully copied or an abstract or memorandum may be prepared from those public books
12 and public records; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in the case of DR Partners v. Board of County Commissioner, 116
14 Nev. 616 (2000), the Nevada Supreme requirements of NRS 239.010 must be based
15 upon a balancing or "weighing" of the interest of non-disclosure against the general
16 policy in favor of open government" and

17 **WHEREAS**, the Court has determined that specific documents are sufficiently
18 sensitive that access to those documents should only be provided upon approval by a
19 justice of the peace,

20 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that court staff is to stamp as "confidential," and
21 treat as "non-public" the following specific documents:

- 22 1) Court-ordered counselling reports;
- 23 2) Medical records, mental health records, or treatment records for a criminal
- 24 defendant (for example, HIV Toxicology reports and evaluation reports);
- 25 3) Any reports or printouts generated from NCIC, NCJIS, or Scope (for example,
- 26 an "Electronic Warrant Descriptor")
- 27 4) Mark-up sheets or memos generated by court clerks or other court staff
- 28 (including legal memoranda prepared by law clerks or contracted or staff

attorneys);

5) Pre-Trial Questionnaire/Financial Affidavit;

6) Pre-Trial Information Sheets generated by staff of the Pretrial Service Division;

7) Temporary Custody Records;

8) Defendant Information Sheets and Victim Information Sheets in TPO Cases;

9) Bench Warrant paperwork (except the coversheet signed by a judge);

10) Own Recognizance Release Forms;

11) Judges' Notes that are included in a case file as distinct documents;

12) Any document that is sealed pursuant to statute (for example, a sealed affidavit in support of a search warrant)

13) All warrants of arrest and/or summonses and /or declarations in support thereof filed by the State of Nevada shall be filed under seal until further order of the Court (NRS 239B.030)

14) JAVS recordings are not available at the Goodsprings Justice Court. JAVS recordings are maintained and the recordings are intended to be used for reference purposes for judges and other court staff. JAVS recordings of court proceedings are not considered the official record at the Goodsprings Justice Court. Transcripts of court proceedings are deemed to be the official record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if access to any of these enumerated documents is requested, court staff will instruct the requester to fill out the Court's "Motion for Disclosure of Non-Public information," and the justice of the peace in the underlying case will then take appropriate action depending on the nature of the request.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following rules will apply to access to criminal case files in the Goodsprings Justice court:

The Justice of the Peace in the underlying case will consider the Motion and may do any of the following:

1) Set for the matter for hearing to consider whether access should be

1 granted;

2 2) Deny the request in its entirety, or as to specific documents, for stated
3 reasons;

4 3) Grant the request in its entirety;

5 4) Grant the request under specified conditions, including but not limited to,
6 the redaction of specific sensitive information before access will be
7 allowed; and

8 5) Take any other action deemed appropriate to balance the privacy interest
9 in non-disclosure and the general policy in favor of open government.

10 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order shall become effective _____,
11 2024.

12 DATED this 7 day of Mar, 2025

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16 Justice of the Peace
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