

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

OUR NEVADA JUDGES, INC., a  
Nevada non-profit corporation,  
Petitioner,

vs.

THE SECOND JUDICIAL DIS-  
TRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF  
NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE  
COUNTY OF WASHOE; AND THE  
HONORABLE KATHLEEN A. SIG-  
URDSON, DISTRICT JUDGE,  
Respondents,

and  
COUNTY OF WASHOE; AND  
ROBERT A. CONRAD,  
Real Parties in Interest

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**REAL PARTY IN INTEREST WASHOE COUNTY'S**

**ANSWER TO PETITION**

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## WASHOE COUNTY'S ANSWER TO PETITION


The underlying case, *Robert A. Conrad v. Washoe County*, is a public records dispute for records of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office's response to a domestic disturbance call. The body-worn camera footage displays the private individuals' residence and includes the individuals discussing intimate details of their marriage. The records also include a nude video of one of the individuals, and photos of the reporting party in various states of undress. Importantly, the reporting party objects to public disclosure of the records, citing her fear of embarrassment and harassment. Unredacted portions of the report show that no arrest was made because the reporting party said she was not hit, and the officers could not identify a primary physical aggressor. The redacted portions of the incident report include intimate details of the individuals' marriage. Washoe County denied the records request, except for the redacted report, based on nontrivial privacy interests of the involved persons, including avoidance of harassment and embarrassment, and the nontrivial privacy interest in avoiding a chilling effect to future victims of domestic violence who may avoid summoning law enforcement for help if records of their personal lives would be disclosed to the media. Conrad sued Washoe County to obtain the withheld and redacted records.

The instant case is an original petition for writ of mandamus arising out of the district court's denial of Our Nevada Judges, Inc.'s request to record a

hearing previously scheduled in the underlying case. Washoe County is informed and believes that the hearing was limited to oral arguments on Conrad's *ex-parte* petition for writ of mandamus regarding the public records. So long as the hearing is actually limited to oral argument, and not a hearing where private information may be subjected to an evidentiary hearing or other public disclosure, Washoe County does not oppose Our Nevada Judges, Inc.'s request to record the oral argument hearing.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2024.

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## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

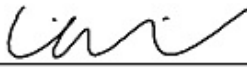
1. I hereby certify that this petition complies with the formatting requirements of NRAP 32(a)(4), the typeface requirements of NRAP 32(a)(5) and the type style requirements of NRAP 32(a)(6) because this Answer has been prepared in a proportionally spaced typeface using Microsoft Word in 14-point Calisto MT.

2. I further certify that this petition complies with the page- or type-volume limitations of the Order Directing Response and NRAP 21(d) because, excluding the parts of the Responsive Brief exempted by the Order and NRAP 32(a)(7)(C), it is proportionately spaced, has a typeface of 14 points or more, and contains 3 pages.

3. Finally, I hereby certify that I have read this petition and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, it is not frivolous or interposed for any improper purpose. I further certify that this petition complies with all applicable Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure, in particular NRAP 28(e)(1), which requires every assertion in the brief regarding matters in the record to be supported by a reference to the page and volume number, if any, of the transcript or appendix where the matter relied on is to be found.

I understand that I may be subject to sanctions in the event that the accompanying brief is not in conformity with the requirements of the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure.

DATED: May 16, 2024.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to NRAP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of the Office of the District Attorney of Washoe County, over the age of 21 years, and not a party to nor interested in the within action. I certify that on this date, the foregoing was electronically filed with the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada by using the ECF System. Electronic service of the foregoing document shall be made in accordance with the Court's service list as follows:

Luke Busby

Dated this 16th day of May, 2024.

/s/ S. Haldeman  
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