IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DEBRA S. STEWART

Appellant,

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v.

MARY VALLINE

Respondent.

SUPREME COURT CASE NO. 88999

Appeal from the Judgment Civil Case No. CV21-00915 Second Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, Washoe County Honorable Tammy M. Riggs, District Judge

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I. NRAP 26.1 DISCLOSURE

The undersigned counsel of record certifies that the following are person and entities as described in NRAP 26.1(a) and must be disclosed pursuant to that rule. These representations are made so that the Justice of the Court may evaluate any potential conflicts warranting disqualification or recusal.

- 1. Appellant: Mary Valline, a natural person
- 2. Attorney of Record for Appellant: Stephen H. Osborne, Esq.
- 3. Publicly held Companies Associated: None
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