

1 JUSTICE COURT, LAS VEGAS TOWNSHIP
2 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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3 IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER
4 REGARDING PHOTOGRAPHING,
5 FILMING, AND RECORDING NON-
6 PROCEEDINGS WITHIN PUBLIC AREAS
7 OF THE LAS VEGAS JUSTICE COURT

JUSTICE COURT
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
BY: 
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER # 23-05

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10 WHEREAS, on July 21, 2023, the Eighth Judicial District Court issued Administrative
11 Order #23-04 which sets forth a new “Rule Regarding Photography, Filming, or Recording”
12 within “the Eighth Judicial District Court Courthouses,” and

13 WHEREAS, the District Court’s Administrative Order defines “the Eighth Judicial
14 District Court Courthouses” to include “the Regional Justice Center at 200 Lewis Avenue”; and

15 WHEREAS, the District Court’s Order does not specifically reference the Las Vegas
16 Justice Court and instead refers generally to “civil, criminal, and family courtrooms, [and]
17 judges’ chambers” in the Regional Justice Center; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the Las Vegas Justice Court has determined that this
20 Court needs to issue its own Administrative Order to supplement the District Court’s Order and
21 to resolve any potential ambiguities; therefore,

22 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following Rule Regarding Photography, Filming,
23 or Recording in public areas of the Las Vegas Justice Court shall be implemented pursuant to
24 Rule 6.5¹ of the Justice Court Rules of the Las Vegas Township (JCRLV):
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27 ¹ See, e.g., JCRLV 6.5(b)(6) (requiring the Las Vegas Justice Court’s Chief Judge to “[s]upervise
28 the administrative business of the court”); JCRLV 6.5(b)(10) (declaring that the Las Vegas
Justice Court’s Chief Judge is “responsible for the administration of court rules and
administrative orders”).

1 **Rule Regarding Photography, Filming, or Recording in Public Areas**
2 **of the Las Vegas Justice Court**

3 Photography, filming, or recording in the public areas of the Las Vegas Justice Court is
4 strictly prohibited except as authorized by the Chief Judge of the Las Vegas Justice Court or the
5 Las Vegas Justice Court Administrator.
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7 1. Definitions:

8 a. "Photography, filming, or recording," shall include, but is not limited to,
9 capturing photographs, audio, videos, and/or any electronic recordings via
10 device, which includes, but is not limited to, cell phones, cameras, and
11 audio recorders.
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13 b. "Public areas of the Las Vegas Justice Court" are defined as all areas
14 under the administrative control of the Las Vegas Justice Court, including,
15 but not limited to, the following locations:

16 (1) These portions of the Regional Justice Center at 200 Lewis
17 Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89101:

- 18 (a) The Customer-Service Lobby on the 1st floor;
19 (b) The Customer-Service Lobby on the 2nd floor;
20 (c) The Court Education Division on the 4th floor; and
21 (d) Areas open to the public and adjacent to the Las Vegas
22 Justice Court's courtrooms and/or judicial chambers on the
23 1st, 2nd, 4th, 6th, 7th, and 8th floors, along with the lower-level
24 (LL).
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26 This Rule does not apply to the designated courtrooms and
27 courtroom ante rooms of the Las Vegas Justice Court
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which are governed by Part IV (“Rules on Electronic Coverage of Court Proceedings”) of the Nevada Supreme Court Rules (SCR).

(2) The Las Vegas Township Community Court / Community Impact Center located at 3740 Royal Crest Street, Las Vegas, NV 89119.

(3) The Neighborhood Justice Center located at 330 South Third Street, Suite 600, Las Vegas, NV 89101.

- 2. To request approval to photograph, film, or record in the public areas of the Las Vegas Justice Court, a requester may submit a written request, stating a legitimate purpose for photographing, filming, or recording, with the Chief Judge or the Las Vegas Justice Court Administrator no later than 24 hours prior to the date requested for photographing, filming, or recording of public areas. The written request must be e-mailed to Las Vegas Justice Court Administration via LVJCAAdministration@ClarkCountyNV.gov. Requests made on shorter notice must show exceptional circumstances.
- 3. The Las Vegas Justice Court may require that a non-news gathering production provide a Film Permit from the Clark County Business License Division.
- 4. Requests may be denied, and approvals authorizing photographing, filming, or recording may be revoked, if:
 - a. The requestor fails to state a legitimate purpose for the request;
 - b. The photography, filming, or recording creates a disturbance or otherwise disrupts the effective functioning of court business;

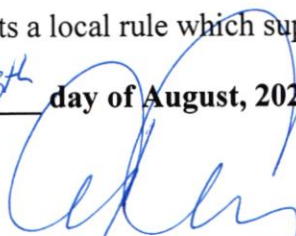
- 1 c. The photography, filming, or recording causes damage to the public areas
2 of the Las Vegas Justice Court or injury to a person present at the public
3 areas of the Las Vegas Justice Court;
4 d. The content of the filming is found to be “obscene” as defined by
5 NRS 201.235;
6 e. The requestor otherwise fails to comply with the provisions of this Rule,
7 or with subsequent conditions imposed by the Court; and
8 f. For any other reasons the Court deems proper.

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10 5. Anyone found to be photographing, filming, or recording in violation of this Rule may
11 be removed from the courthouse or other facility under the administrative control of the
12 Las Vegas Justice Court.
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14 6. In the event of a conflict between this Administrative Order and Eighth Judicial
15 District Court Administrative Order #23-04, the provisions of Eighth Judicial District
16 Court Administrative Order #23-04 shall be controlling.

17 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Administrative Order is effective immediately
18 and shall remain in effect unless and until (1) this Administrative Order is rescinded or (2) the
19 Las Vegas Justice Court enacts a local rule which supersedes this Administrative Order.
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21 Dated this 04 day of August, 2023.

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25 **Cynthia Cruz,**
26 **Chief Justice of the Peace**
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