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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
12 Plaintiff,)
13 WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE,)
14 Plaintiff-Intervenor,)
15 vs.)
16 WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION)
DISTRICT, a corporation, et. al.)
17 Defendants)
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IN EQUITY NO. C-125-ECR
Subproceedings: C-125-B and C-125-C
COUNTY OF MONO'S MOTION
FOR RELIEF FROM LOCAL
RESIDENT COUNSEL
REQUIREMENT OF LOCAL RULE
1A 10-2(c)

19 For the reasons given below, the County of Mono, by and through their
20 undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully requests that the Court waive the local
21 counsel requirement of Local Rule 1A 10-2(c) for the purposes of this case only. Local
22 Rule 1A 10-2(c) of this Court requires association of a resident member of the Nevada
23 Bar as co-counsel, unless the Court decides otherwise.

24 At this time, the County hereby requests that the Court relieve it from the
25 requirement of Local Rule 1A 10-2(c) and allow it to solely represent itself (through its
26 own County Counsel's Office) in this litigation. The reasons for this motion are as
27 follows:

28 (1) The County of Mono is a political subdivision of the State of California. It is

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1 presently represented in this matter by its own Office of the County Counsel, which has
2 offices both in Bridgeport and in Mammoth Lakes, California, which are located two
3 and one half and three hours drive from this Court, respectively. The two attorneys
4 assigned to this case, County Counsel Marshall S. Rudolph and Deputy County Counsel
5 Stacey Simon, are available for all necessary hearings or appearances before this court
6 and can be available on short notice.

7 (2) Marshall S. Rudolph is a graduate of Stanford University and of the
8 University of California, Hastings College of Law. He has been a practicing attorney for
9 twelve years and has been County Counsel of Mono County since 1996. Stacey Simon is
10 a graduate of Occidental College and the University of California at Berkeley (Boalt
11 Hall) School of Law and has been a Deputy County Counsel for Mono County since
12 1999. The County has additionally retained (non-resident) outside counsel in this
13 matter with experience litigating both state and federal water law cases. Finally, the
14 County has access to and consults when necessary with Nevada attorneys about this
15 case.

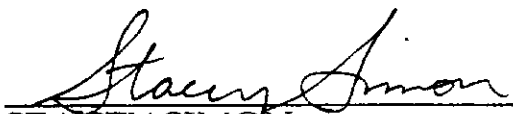
16 (3) By granting this motion, the Court will assist Mono County in stretching
17 limited taxpayer dollars to provide the best representation possible of its own interests
18 and the interests of its constituents. The County is committed to devoting substantial
19 staff attorney time to this case, has involved a water law practitioner to aid it in dealing
20 with issues particular to California water law, and is contributing to the payment of the
21 mediator retained to manage the settlement negotiations. Meeting the local counsel
22 requirement of Rule 1A 10-2(c) would put an additional financial burden on the
23 County's already limited resources.

24 (4) If this waiver is granted, the County, through its County Counsel's office, will
25 comply with the spirit and the intent of Local Rule 1A 10-2(c). Mono County's
26 attorneys are able to attend all necessary hearings, have the ability to sign binding
27 stipulations, and will perform any other acts necessary to the proper representation of
28 Mono County.

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DATED: May 21, 2003


MARSHALL S. RUDOLPH
Counsel for County of Mono


STACEY SIMON
Counsel for County of Mono

APPROVED:

DATED: _____

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF MONO

I, Karen J. Serwatka, the undersigned, declare that:

I am employed in the County of Mono, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this cause. My business address is Mono County Counsel, 452 Old Mammoth Road, Post Office Box 2415, Mammoth Lakes, California 93546.

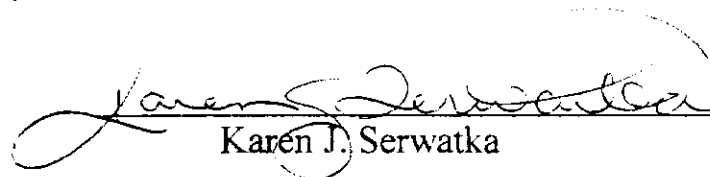
On May 22, 2003, I served a true copy of the foregoing document described as **County of Mono's Motion for Relief from Local Resident Counsel Requirement of Local Rule 1A 10-2 (c)** on the parties in this cause, listed on attached Service List:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 22, 2003, at Mammoth Lakes, California.


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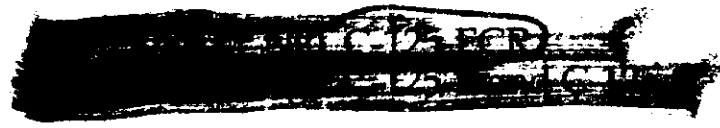
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VERIFIED PETITION FOR PERMISSION
TO PRACTICE IN THIS CASE ONLY BY
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED TO THE
BAR OF THIS COURT

18 VERIFIED PETITION FOR PERMISSION TO PRACTICE IN THIS CASE ONLY
19 Stacey Simon, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:
20 That Petitioner is not a member of the Bar of this Court;
21 That Petitioner resides at 31 Blue Lake Way, Lee Vining, California, 93541;
22 That Petitioner is an attorney at law employed by the County of Mono, a political
23 subdivision of the State of California, with offices at 452 Old Mammoth Road,
24 Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546;
25 That Petitioner represents the County of Mono in connection with the above-
26 entitled case now pending before this Court;
27 That since December 3, 1999, Petitioner has been and presently is a member in
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1 good standing of the bar of the higher Court of the State of California where Petitioner
2 regularly practices law;

3 That no disbarment proceedings are presently pending nor have disbarment
4 proceedings ever been instituted against petitioner; nor has any certificate or privilege
5 to appear and practice before any regulatory administrative body ever been suspended
6 or revoked;

7 That neither through resignation, withdrawal, or otherwise, has Petitioner
8 terminated or attempted to terminate Petitioner's office as an attorney in order to avoid
9 administrative disciplinary or disbarment proceedings;

10 That Petitioner is a member in good standing of the following Bar Associations:
11 The California Bar Association and the Mono County Bar Association;

12 That Petitioner respectfully prays that she be admitted to practice before this
13 Court FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.

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15 DATED: 4/22/03 Stacey Simon
16 STACEY SIMON, Petitioner

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18 VERIFICATION

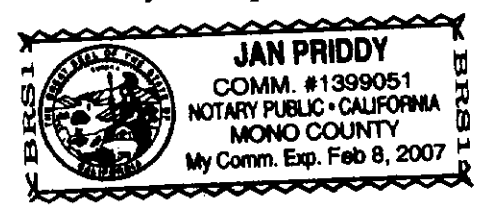
19 STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
20 COUNTY OF MONO }

21 STACEY SIMON, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That the
22 foregoing statements are true.

23 Stacey Simon
24 STACEY SIMON, Petitioner

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26 Subscribed and sworn before me this 22 day of April, 2003

27 [Signature]
28 Notary Public



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ORDER

The Verified Petition of STACEY SIMON to practice in this case only is approved.

DATED: _____

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

1 **PROOF OF SERVICE**

2 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF MONO

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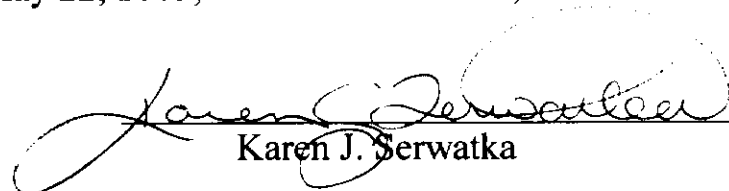
7 On May 22, 2003, I served a true copy of the foregoing document described as **Verified**
8 **Petition for Permission to Practice in this Case Only by Attorney not Admitted to the Bar**
9 **of this Court** on the parties in this cause, listed on attached Service List:

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19 States Postal Service at Mammoth Lakes, California, the same day in the ordinary
20 course of business.

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22 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
23 foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 22, 2003, at Mammoth Lakes, California.

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