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NEVADA SILVER HAired LEGISLATIVE FORUM
(Nevada Revised Statutes 427A.320 through 427A.400)



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The Honorable James W. Hardesty
Chief Justice of Nevada Supreme Court
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Nevada Supreme Court
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Dear Honorable Chief Justice Hardesty and Commissioners:

As President of the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (Forum), I write to you on behalf of all the Forum members, to personally thank you for this opportunity to share the Forum's concerns regarding the Commission's General Policy Question No. 1—Should the Nevada Supreme Court establish a permanent Commission to address issues of concern to the elderly, including continue review of Guardianship Rules/processes in Nevada? (Commission to Study the Administration of Guardianships in Nevada's Courts, May 20, 2016, Agenda and Meeting Materials-page 20 of 71).

As you know, the Forum was created to identify and act upon issues of importance to aging persons (*Nevada Revised Statutes* 427A.320). Throughout the 2015-2016 Interim, the Forum received testimony regarding guardianships, which was very similar to the Commission's testimony. Based on the many statements presented and the knowledge of Nevada's unchallenged growth of our over 60-years-of-age population, the Forum unanimously agreed to request the Nevada Supreme Court establish a permanent Commission to address guardianship concerns, including the review of the rules and processes (Forum's Work Session, June 21, 2016).

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Again, thank you kindly for your consideration of the Forum's request to establish a permanent Commission to address guardianship concerns. Additionally, the Forum shares its gratitude to you, and all the Commission members, for your tireless endurance of the rigorous demands and for the courtesy to which you afforded the public and the State of Nevada.

Respectfully,



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