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9	FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF NEVADA		
10	CARSON CITY		
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12	ROBERT BEADLES, an individual,		
13	Plaintiff,	Case No. 23-OC-00105-1B	
14	VS.	Dept No. D1	
15	JAMIE RODRIGUEZ, in her official capacity as Registrar of Voters and in her		
16	personal capacity; the WASHOE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, a government /		
17	agency; ERIC BROWN in his official capacity as WASHOE COUNTY		
18	MANAGER and in his personal capacity ALEXIS HILL in her official capacity as		
19	CHAIRWOMAN OF WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF		
20	COMMISSIONERS and in her personal capacity; WASHOE COUNTY, a politic	al	
21	subdivision of the State of Nevada, and DOES I-X; and ROE CORPORATIONS	S I-	
22	X.		
23	Defendants.		
24		<u>REPLY IN SUPPORT OF</u> <u>FOR SANCTIONS</u>	
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Defendants Jamie Rodriguez ("Ms. Rodriguez"), the Office of the Washoe County Registrar of Voters ("ROV"), Washoe County Manager Eric Brown ("Manager Brown"), Washoe County Commissioner Alexis Hill ("Commissioner Hill"), and Washoe County by and through counsel, DDA Lindsay Liddell ("DDA Liddell"), hereby file their Reply in Support of Motion for Sanctions. This Reply is based on the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

Courts across the nation have expressed concerns regarding "misuse of the judicial system to baselessly cast doubt on the electoral process in a manner that is conspicuously consistent with the plaintiffs' political ends." *Lake v. Hobbs*, 643 F.Supp.3d 989, 1010 (D. Az. 2022). "[F]alse claims based upon nothing but conjecture, speculation, and guesswork" are the "precise conduct Rule 11 is intended to deter." *Trump v. Clinton*, 640 F.Supp.3d 1321, 1329 (S.D. Fl. 2022).

[T]he courts are not intended for performative litigation for purposes of fundraising and political statements. It is harmful to the rule of law, portrays judges as partisans, and diverts resources that should be directed to real harms and legitimate legal claims. The judiciary should not countenance this behavior and it should be deterred by significant sanctions.

Trump v. Clinton, 640 F.Supp.3d at 1332–33.

Plaintiff Robert Beadles ("Beadles") filed a Complaint for improper purposes. Specifically, Beadles filed this suit to attack and remove his perceived political adversaries and grandstand about his debunked election fraud theories. In the subsequent eight weeks since filing, Beadles has inundated the Court with flimsy motions and "Supplemental Exhibits" that lack legal viability, seek to malign the Defendants, and bear little to no factual basis to the allegations in the Complaint.¹

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¹ Beadles's filings between August 4, 2023, and September 24, 2023, include over one-hundred-forty fugitive "supplemental exhibits," two motions to request his preferred judge, a motion "to assign judge," a motion to "compel court to issue citations," a motion to change venue to Lyon County, a motion requesting Judge

The case is on its fifth District Court Judge. And, though Beadles chose initial venue in the Second Judicial District Court, he then claimed venue was inappropriate. In a highly unusual—if not unprecedented—turn of events, a plaintiff's request to change his initial choice of venue was granted. Beadles is outspoken regarding his wealth, willingness to fund political opponents, and displays a complete disregard for applicable rules.

Sanctions are not only appropriate but are necessary to command order in this case.

II. STANDARD AND PROCEDURE FOR RULE 11 MOTIONS.

"The legal standard applied to a Rule 12(b)(5) [m]otion to dismiss differs from the legal standard applied to a Rule 11 motion for sanctions." *Bergmann v. Boyce*, 109 Nev. 670, 677, 856 P.2d 560, 564 (1993), *superseded by statute on other grounds as recognized in In re DISH Network Derivative Litig.*, 133 Nev. 438, n. 6, 401 P.3d 1081, 1093, n.6 (2017). Even if a complaint survives a motion to dismiss, that fact is irrelevant as to whether the claims are groundless and thus violate Rule 11. *Id*.

There is likewise no requirement that the Court wait until the end of a case to issue decisions on alleged Rule 11 violations. *See Emerson v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Crt. of State, ex rel. Cnty. of Clark*, 127 Nev. 672, 678, 263 P.3d 224, 228 (2011). Simply because a Court retains jurisdiction to issue sanctions and award attorneys' fees when the case is dismissed does not preclude the Court from issuing sanctions at the outset. *See id*; NRCP 11. The Court could issue sanctions for Rule 11 violations that occur in filing the Complaint, again for any other filings that violate Rule 11 thereafter. *See id*.

Beadles incorrectly asserts that in this stage of the case, the Court "must take everything the Plaintiff states as truth due to NRCP 12(b)(5)." *Opp.* at p. 10 ln. 11–14. Beadles believes that satisfying the notice pleading requirement in his Complaint is sufficient to avoid Rule 11 sanctions. *Opp.* at p. 3, ln. 21–22. He also makes incorrect

Freeman recuse himself, a motion in request of a sur-reply, a motion for reconsideration of the Court's order granting his motion for change of venue, and another motion to change venue to Lyon County.

assertions regarding whether a motion for sanctions can be ruled on prior to a motion to dismiss ruling. *Opp.* at 8–24.

The applicable standard here is whether Beadles filed the Complaint and subsequent forum motions for improper purposes, with contentions lacking evidentiary support, or with claims not warranted by law. NRCP 11(b). His Complaint should not be taken as true, and NRCP 12(b)(5) cannot shield him from his sanctionable false allegations. *Bergmann*, 109 Nev. at 677, 856 P.2d at 564. Additionally, the Court need not delay or deny the instant Motion for Sanctions based on the pending Motion to Dismiss or any other pending motion. Emerson,127 Nev. at 678, 263 P.3d at 228.

Sanctions are appropriate at this stage to punish and deter Beadles from continuing to violate Rule 11. The Court should end Beadles's needless consumption of resources.

III. BEADLES SHOULD BE SANCTIONED FOR RULE 11 VIOLATIONS.

Beadles has committed an abundance of Rule 11 violations in this case. He filed claims against Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez for the improper purpose to harass. He filed multiple motions for the improper purpose of judge and forum shopping. He filed a Complaint containing alleged "facts" not supported by evidence. He filed claims not warranted by law. Each of these instances on their own violate Rule 11.

A. BEADLES FILED THE COMPLAINT TO HARASS COMMISSIONER HILL, MANAGER BROWN, AND MS. RODRIGUEZ.

The Motion explains that Beadles violated Rule 11 by filing his claims in pursuit of his personal animus against Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez rather than to resolve legitimate legal disputes. *Mot.* at pp. 6–8. It included Beadles's blog posts demonstrating his hostility toward Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodirguez, argued that Commissioner Hill was inappropriately singled out and named a defendant, that Beadles's eight-month delay in filing his claims shows the claims' vexatious // nature, and that the lack of legal basis for his claims suggests their improper purpose. *Id.*²

Beadles's modus operandi is to demand others agree and comply with his conspiracies, and then personally attack and punish those who do not acquiesce. As evidence, in his Opposition to Motion to Dismiss, he included four pages personally attacking DDA Liddell. *Opp. to Mot. to Dismiss.* at pp. 105–09. In his Opposition here, Beadles again makes erroneous accusations of ethical violations, accuses Ms. Liddell of an "unholy alliance" with local media, argues she is colluding with her clients to cover up election fraud, requests sanctions³ and a referral to the State Bar. *Opp.* at 32–36.

This is the same pattern of behavior he displayed with Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez. He became upset when they did not immediately agree with his dubious claims of election fraud and did not willing acquiesce to illegally changing Nevada election law to pander to Beadles's personal preferences. When his attempts to bully Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez into submission failed, he filed a baseless lawsuit against them. Using the judicial system to harass is an improper purpose, and warrants sanctions under Rule 11.

In the Opposition, Beadles further displays that this suit was brought for an improper purpose against Defendants. *Opp.* at pp. 40–44. He asserts his opinion that they are "utterly incompetent or corrupt." *Opp.* at p. 41, ln. 1. He displays his fury with Commissioner Hill for removing the general public comment period at the beginning of commission meetings. *Opp.* at p. 41. He states he could "write a book" on Commissioner Hill "alone and her acts of dictatorship..." *Opp.* at p. 41 ln. 13–15. He explains he nicknamed Manager Brown "Eric BrownStain," because "everything he touches turns to

² As Governor Lombardo's counsel described, Beadles is "a well-known election conspiracy theorist and political agitator in Northern Nevada." *Defendant Joseph Lombardo's Motion for Sanctions*, filed in Case No. 22 OC 000851B (FJDC of Nev.), at p.4, ln. 21–22.

³ Beadles's request is procedurally improper. *See* NRCP 11(c)(2). More importantly, undersigned counsel vehemently disputes Beadles's accusations.

crap for the Washoe residents." Opp. at p. 41 ln. 17-21. Without any evidentiary support, Beadles alleges Manager Brown is involved in "unexplainable budgets" and "the cover-up 2 of elections issues." Id. Notably, none of these accusations have anything to do with the allegations in the Complaint. Beadles also asserts that Ms. Rodriguez is unqualified for the ROV position. Opp. at p. 41, ln. 23–26. He now erroneously claims Ms. Rodriguez committed perjury when she provided a declaration refuting Beadles's election conspiracies. Opp. at 42-44.

Moreover, Beadles knows Commissioner Hill cannot bind the County without a majority vote of all commissioners, and yet he names her as a Defendant. He now claims she was necessary to grant the remedies requested. Opp. at p. 30. This is not true. Even if remedies were obtainable, the Court could issue relief against Washoe County in its entirety, who is also a Defendant. Washoe County is the entity ultimately accountable for any internal procedures, paying damages, etc. Beadles was not required to name Commissioner Hill. The circumstances instead show that he singled out Commissioner Hill as a Defendant to vex her with this case.

Beadles made this lawsuit personal by individually naming Defendants Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez, directly retaliating against them for disagreeing with him. He stated he was "calling them out on every front," which now includes requiring them to respond to baseless claims in this case. Ex. 3 to Mot. This is the exact behavior that Rule 11 was intended to prohibit. Sanctions are warranted for filing the Complaint for an improper purpose.

B. **BEADLES'S FORUM SHOPPING IS SANCTIONABLE.**

The Motion seeks sanctions for Beadles's overt forum shopping, which includes shopping for his preferred judge. *Mot.* at pp. 8–10. Forum shopping is sanctionable under Rule 11. C. v. Rady Children's Hosp., 17-cv-0846-AJB-JLB, 2017 WL 6327138, at *5 (S.D. //

Cal. Dec. 8, 2017).⁴ Beadles forum shopped by refiling a nearly identical Complaint with federal claims deleted after Defendants removed his first Complaint to federal court. Thereafter, he filed two motions to request his preferred judge, a motion to recuse judge, and a motion to change venue.⁵ Defendants were forced to expend resources to address and respond to each of Beadles's forum shopping tactics.

In his Opposition, Beadles attempts to deflect his forum shopping, blaming Defendants for removing the first action. *Opp.* at pp. 20. He claims Defendants' removal of the first case was improper, despite federal law permitting Defendants to remove the first case. *See* 28 U.S.C. Sections 1441(a)–(b) and 28 U.S.C. Section 1443. So long as there were active federal claims, a federal court could lawfully exercise jurisdiction. *Id.* Beadles asserts he "had no desire to be in Federal Court." *Opp.* at p. 20, ln. 6.

Attempting to choose the forum he believes most favorable to him, Beadles filed a new Complaint in this case with his federal claims deleted. He claims he filed a motion to change venue—after filing his case in Washoe County—because "he does not believe he can receive a fair trial in Washoe County." *Opp.* at p. 20 ln. 5. In doing so, he admits he filed to shop for his preferred venue. Upset that he did not get the Lyon County venue he desired, he filed a new motion to change venue to Lyon County, but if not there, Beadles states "Washoe County is preferrable to relocating it to Carson City, for the sake of the appearance of justice, if nothing else." *Mot. to Change Venue filed 9/23/23*, at p. 20, ln 10–11. Next, Beadles provides no rebuttal nor excuse for his forum shopping in filing two separate motions "to Request Judge Simons." *See Opp.*

Beadles should be sanctioned for his blatant forum shopping in this case. Sanctions

⁴ Cases interpreting NRCP 11's counterpart, FRCP 11, are persuasive. *Coury v. Robison*, 115 Nev. 85, 91, fn. 4, 976 P.2d 518, 522, fn. 4 (1999).

⁵ After the Motion for Sanctions was filed, as of the date of this Reply Beadles has thus far filed amotion to reconsider the Court's order granting his motion to change venue, and a second motion to change venue.

are appropriate demonstrate the forum shopping is disfavored by punishing Beadles, to compensate Defendants for their attorneys' fees and costs, and to deter future attempts to forum shop which have and will continue.

C. BEADLES'S ALLEGED "FACTS" LACK EVIDENTIARY SUPPORT.

Rule 11 sanctions are warranted when a person files a Complaint alleging facts not supported by evidence. *See* NRCP 11(c)(3). Beadles filed a verified Complaint, stating "the facts alleged therein are true and correct according to his own personal knowledge." *Compl.* at p. 17. In his Opposition, he claims "Every allegation that the Plaintiff has made, he believes to be true." *Opp.* p. 3 at ln. 5. Beadles then claims Defendants' "case" "slaps the taste of freedom and justice from the mouth of every Nevadan." *Opp.* p. 3 at ln. 6–8. This is no more than an attempt to deflect attention from his Rule 11 violations.

Beadles recklessly included readily disprovable allegations, and provides no rebuttal to explain why sanctions are not warranted for those allegations. For example, Beadles includes allegations that Defendants oversaw elections in 2020, but neither Commissioner Hill nor Ms. Rodriguez were in their current positions in 2020. *See Compl.* at ¶¶29, 38. He also alleges that Manager Brown and Commissioner Hill personally conduct elections. *Compl.* at ¶14. In the Opposition he continues to join all "Defendants," as one, stating things like they "prep the machines and ballot printing." *Opp.* at p. 4. He provides no evidence to support his allegation that Commissioner Hill or Manager Brown personally participated in voter registration or conducted elections. *See Opp.* Moreover, his Complaint acknowledges that it is Ms. Rodriguez, as the ROV, who is changed with handling the elections. *Compl.* at ¶14, ¶15. Beadles provides no excuse for his false allegations, and declined an opportunity to resolve them.

In his Opposition, Beadles goes on to include scandalous false allegations that are outside his Complaint and do not otherwise support the existing allegations including accusations against Manager Brown's wife, accusations of theft, and violations of a court order. *Opp.* at p. 11, 21. However, this Motion addresses the false allegations contained in the Complaint, and therefore Defendants will not provide further rebuttal.

Additionally, Beadles provides no admissible evidence supporting false allegations regarding elections. *See Opp.*; *Compl.* at ¶33. His allegations relying on Edward King Solomon's "math" will be addressed in section to follow. Regarding his allegation that "Defendants" allowed "the counting of votes in secret," he provides no admissible evidence. *See Opp*; *Compl.* at ¶49. He provides no evidence whatsoever specific to Manager Brown or Commissioner Hill on this allegation. *See Opp.* He presumably cites to his "supplemental exhibits" filed on August 9, 2023, specifically to Exhibits 23 and 24, which appears to be an altered video file and a transcript of the video. *Opp.* at p. 21. He provides with no credible support, authentication, or context. The video includes an unidentified person speaking with County employee Heather Carmen and Ms. Rodriguez can be heard speaking behind closed doors during the 2022 Joey Gilbert recount. When the video was taken in Beadles's Exhibit 23, ballots were not being processed. Ex. 1 at ¶2. Staff was obtaining reports from tabulators. *Id.* Staff allows public viewing of ballot processing so long as it does not interfere with handling of the ballots. *Id.* at ¶3. Beadles's generalized allegation regarding Defendants counting votes in secret is not supported by evidence.

Beadles's refusal to take accountability and to resolve even the minor and irrelevant false allegations display a disregard and disrespect for the rules. Rule 11 Sanctions are warranted for proffering these statements without evidentiary support.

D. RELYING ON A DISCREDITED LAYMAN—EDWARD KING SOLOMON— BEADLES MAKES FALSE ALLEGATIONS ON ELECTION INTEGRITY.

Beadles falsely alleges there are "illegal functions within the election system," *Compl.* at ¶¶48, 80, 91. Beadles relies on his self-proclaimed unqualified and unreliable //

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expert Edward King Solomon ("Solomon"),⁶ and insists Solomon's math has never been 2 "debunked." See Mot. at Exs. 9–10, Opp. at p. 37. Though Solomon is a New York resident, 3 Beadles falsely claims Solomon "is, in fact, a witness to what happened in the Washoe County elections." Opp. at p. 38, In. 25. Beadles nonetheless does not refute the contention 4 5 that Solomon lacks formal qualifications and cannot qualify as an expert in a court of law. *See Mot.* at p. 12; *Opp.* at pp. 37–40. 6

Beadles is quick to offer various reports he presumably paid Solomon to create, but offers no admissible evidence to support his allegations of illegal functions within the election system. See Opp. Noticeably absent is any sworn statement from Solomon. Id. He proffers inadmissible screenshots of artificial intelligence Google Bard output.⁷ Opp. at 39. The Court in the 2022 Gilbert contest found the claim arising from Solomon's math was "highly dubious." Order Granting Joseph Lombardo's Motion for Sanctions, Case No. 22 OC 000851B, at p. 5 (FJDC of Nev., Sept. 21, 2022).

Moreover, the Nevada Supreme Court noted that in the 2020 Gilbert Contest, "none of the three experts could replicate the Solomon Report's restoration calculations." Mueller v. First Jud. Dist. Ct. in and for Cnty. of Carson City, no. 86064, 2023 WL 5317951 at *3 (Aug. 17, 2023)(unpublished disposition). In other words, Solomon's findings on an illegal

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²⁰ ⁶ Solomon's full name appears to be Edward King Solomon as Beadles's Exhibit 130 identifies an email address of edwardkingsolomon@gmail.com. In addition to lacking expert qualifications, he would not make a reliable witness. On information and belief, Solomon was convicted of "criminal sale of a controlled 21 substance in the second degree" in New York. People v. Solomon, 178 A.D.3d 966 (2019); see also https://patch.com/new-york/sachem/240-bags-heroin-seized-3-people-arrested-ronkonkoma-home-police-0 22 (reporting that "Edward Solomon," who bears physical resemblances to Beadles's Solomon, was arrested after 240 bags of heroin, 25 grams of cocaine, prescription narcotics, a shotgun, cellphones, and 9mm 23 ammunition and magazines were seized)(last visited September 24, 2023); Beadles's Ex. 131(displaying a video of Solomon). In the 2022 Gilbert Contest, Mr. Gilbert's counsel referred to Solomon as a "deeply 24 flawed individual." Defendant Joseph Lombardo's Reply in Support of Motion for Sanctions, filed in Case No. 22 OC 000851B in the First Judicial District Court, at p.2, ln. 3. Solomon is an unqualified and uncredible 25 source to opine on elections in the State of Nevada.

⁷ This is both inadmissible and unreliable. *See* NRS 50.285; NRS 52.015; NRS 51.065.

1 function in the election system were not credible and therefore debunked.⁸

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Rather than consider the possibility that Solomon is a provocateur taking advantage of Beadles's deep pockets, Beadles insists Solomon's "math" supports his allegation of "illegal functions within the election system." *Opp.* at pp. 37–40; *Compl.* at ¶48. It does not. His allegation is false, and any competent inquiry—especially given Beadles's involvement to the 2022 Gilbert Contest—would reveal the lack of evidentiary support for his claim.

Beadles violated Rule 11 by proffering false allegations regarding election integrity based on Solomon's dubious "math." These claims are not supported by admissible or credible evidence. On the contrary, they are not supported by any evidence. An artificial intelligence chatbot confirming math that relies on a false premise is neither admissible nor credible. There is no legal authority that would allow a Plaintiff to avoid sanctions for Rule 11 violations simply by providing flawed "google bard" or "chatGBT" output. Moreover, a Court found that one Solomon report, relying on the same "math" as Beadles presents here, "does not constitute the type of evidence 'reasonably relied on by experts' under NRS 50.285(2)." *Order Granting Joseph Lombardo's Motion for Summary Judgment*, Case No. 22 OC 000851B, at p. 4 (FJDC of Nev., Aug. 11, 2022).

Most importantly, Beadles's improper purposes in filing the Complaint is demonstrated by the inclusion of these allegations. Even if his allegations were true, they do not establish that Defendants had a duty to respond to Beadles's petitions or whether Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez personally did anything to warrant their removal.

E. BEADLES FILED CLAIMS NOT WARRANTED BY LAW.

Beadles filed two causes of action and a slurry of relief requests, none of which are

⁸ Solomon's analysis is flawed from the outset. It is based on a flawed "premise that a 'fair' election is one in which the Election Day, early vote, and mail vote shares of candidates running for office are roughly similar." *Defendant Joseph Lombardo's Motion for Sanctions*, filed in Case No. 22 OC 000851B in the First Judicial District Court, at p.14. Governor Lombardo's expert testified that "this fundamental premise is not grounded in academic literature or any other data adduced in this case." *Id.* at 14, Ex. K.

warranted by law. Additionally, Beadles's pleadings and papers continue to make 2 generalized accusations against all "Defendants," refusing to separate Commissioner Hill, 3 Manager Brown, Ms. Rogriguez, Washoe County, and the ROV. See Opp. at pp. 4–7. In doing so, he compounds his Rule 11 violations in not only filing a baseless action, but filing 4 5 it needlessly against all Defendants.

Beadles cannot avoid Rule 11 sanctions "by operating under the guise of a pure heart and empty head." Zuniga v. United Can Co., 812 F.2d 443, 452 (9th Cir. 1987). As set forth below, his causes of action and requests for relief are not warranted by law and are thus filed in violation of Rule 11.

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i. Beadles's Claim Against the ROV is Baseless.

This legal issue is well settled: A department of a county is not a suable entity because it is not political subdivision of the State of Nevada. *Wayment*, 112 Nev. at 237–38, 912 P.2d at 819. The ROV is not a political subdivision of the State of Nevada. It is a department of Washoe County. The ROV is not a suable entity.

Beadles has no excuse nor basis to claim he can sue the ROV. Beadles named the ROV as a Defendant in the Complaint's caption. See Compl., at ¶14. Providing no legal authority nor evidentiary support, Beadles claims "The [ROV] position and in her person are all suable entities." Opp. at p. 22, ln. 15–16. In addition to this claim being groundless, Beadles's initial filing and continued pursuit of this claim also shows this case was filed for improper purposes. This is precisely the activity Rule 11 seeks to punish-there is no basis or good faith argument for establishing a claim against the ROV here.

Beadles Made a Baseless Claim for Removal under NRS 266.430. ii.

In his Complaint, Beadles claims he seeks to remove Commissioner Hill, Ms. Rodriguez, and Manager Brown "pursuant to the Courts authority under NRS 283.440 and NRS 266.430." Compl. at ¶89(emph. added). The Motion for Sanctions explained that NRS 266.430 applies only to municipal corporations (cities), and not counties. See Mot. at p. 15.

Rather than address his claim not warranted by law, Beadles attempts to gaslight Defendants, stating Defendants "misinterpreted" and that "At no time does the Plaintiff claim relief or demand of the Court that NRS 266.430 be applied to the Defendants." *Opp.* at p. 22 ln. 22–26. His Complaint literally "demands" Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez's removal "under NRS 266.430." *Compl.* at ¶89. Stating otherwise in his Opposition, Beadles again violates Rule 11 in proffering a statement not supported by fact.

The parties seem to agree that NRS 266.430 does not provide a basis for Defendants' removal. *See Opp.* at p. 22. Beadles filed a claim not warranted by law, which violated Rule 11. Beadles could have withdrawn this part of his second cause of action, but chose not to. Sanctions are appropriate.

iii. Beadles's First Cause of Action for Unanswered Elections Petitions is Not Warranted by Law.

Beadles's first cause of action addresses election petitions/grievances, and alleges Defendants violated his rights under the Nevada Constitution and under Nevada law by not responding to his petitions. *Compl.* at ¶¶67–87. The Motion explained this claim was not warranted by law because none of the Defendants have a legal duty to respond to Beadles's elections petitions. *Mot.* at pp. 15–17. The Secretary of State is tasked with *resolving* citizens' grievances regarding elections. *Id.*

In his Opposition, Beadles provides no legal authority to support his claim that Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, Ms. Rodriguez, the ROV, or Washoe County have a legal duty to respond to his elections complaints. *See Opp.* Beadles argues Defendants are "logically" required to address and resolve citizens' elections complaints. *Opp.* at p. 6. He erroneously claims defendants argue they "are above the law and have no duty to follow it or face consequences for breaking it." *Opp.* at p. 24 ln. 5–6. The Opposition is filled with similar shocking statements to evoke a reader's outrage, but it wholly fails to show why the first cause of action is warranted by law. *See Opp.* Beadles's failure to cite legal authority to support his first cause of action against Defendants further demonstrates its frivolousness. Neither Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, Ms. Rodriguez, the Washoe County ROV, nor Washoe County have a legal duty to respond to Beadles's elections complaints. *See* Nev. Const. Art. 1 § 10; Nev. Const. Art. 2 § 1A(11); NRS 293.2546(11); NAC 293.025. Beadles's first cause of action is not warranted by law, and was filed in violation of Rule 11.

iv. Beadles's Second Cause of Action for Removal is not Warranted by Law.

Beadles's second cause of action seeks to remove Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, and Ms. Rodriguez. *Compl.* at ¶¶88–93. The Motion explains that this claim is not warranted by law because Beadles has not alleged any facts that would show malfeasance or nonfeasance warranting removal. *Mot.* at pp. 17–18.

Beadles cites *Bostock v. Clayton County*, 140 S. Ct. 1731 (2020), to support his position that Manager Brown and Ms. Rodriguez could be removed under NRS 283.440. *Opp.* at p. 24. *Bostock* is a landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision securing civil rights for the LGBT community. 140 S. Ct. 1731. It held that Title VII's prohibition of employment discrimination "on the basis of sex," necessarily includes a person's sexual orientation and their gender identity. *Id.* It does not show that Beadles has a right to remove a non-elected official under NRS 283.440. The Motion argued that the claim was not warranted by law simply because Beadles does not identify a specific legal duty for any Defendant that would establish malfeasance or nonfeasance. *Mot.* at pp. 17–18. However, as set forth in the Motion to Dismiss, the statute does not define "public office," and legislative history clarifies the statute is intended to remove local elected officials. *Mot. to Dismiss* at pp. 14–16.

Beadles again accuses Defendants of taking the position that they have "no duties to follow the law." *Opp.* at p. 24, ln. 26. This emotional appeal misstates Defendants' legal argument. Beadles's Complaint and Opposition to Motion for Sanctions do not cite to any law creating a specific duty for Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, or Ms. Rodriguez to act. There must be a specific legal duty to act, and either failure to perform the act or intentionally committing a related wrongful act to warrant a public officer's removal. *See Schumacher v. State ex rel. Furlong*, 78 Nev. 167, 172, 370 P.2d 209, 211 (1962).

Beadles's second cause of action for removal is not warranted by law, and was thus filed in violation of Rule 11. Beadles's allegations do not show a legal basis for Commissioner Hill, Manager Brown, or Ms. Rodriguez's removal under NRS 283.440. His Opposition provides no legal authority to show why the claim is warranted by law. He ignored Defendants' Rule 11 notice. Sanctions are appropriate.

v. Beadles Pursues Relief Not Warranted by Law.

Much of the relief Beadles's requests cannot be granted in any way through his causes of action, further demonstrating the Complaint's baselessness and Rule 11 violations. The Court "cannot recognize a remedy absent an underlying cause of action." *Badillo v. American Brands, Inc.*, 117 Nev. 34, 41, 16 P.3d 435, 440 (2001). In the removal action, removal is the only available remedy. *Armstrong v. Reynolds*, 2:17-cv-02528-APG-CWH, 2019 WL 1062364 at *8 (D. Nev. Mar. 6, 2019), *aff'd in part, rev'd in part and remanded*, 22 F.4th 1058 (9th Cir. 2022). For a writ of mandamus action, the relief would be equitable in the form of an order compelling a person to perform their official duty, and in some circumstances monetary damages. NRS 34.160; NRS 34.270.

As a matter of law, punitive damages may not be awarded against government entities and employees. NRS 41.035(1). "An award may not include any amount as exemplary or punitive damages." *Id.* Despite being presented with this information, Beadles argues to the contrary, cites to inapplicable case law, but does not address NRS 41.035(1) or refute its applicability here. Beadles's continued pursuit of punitive damages despite clear law prohibiting the same is not warranted by law and violates Rule 11.

25 Beadles likewise provides no legal authority to dispute the argument that for 26 removal actions, monetary damages and equitable relief are unavailable. *See Opp.* He provides no legal authority to support his request for various injunctive relief requests outside of authority showing the County has discretion to act in some areas. He does not identify a legal duty requiring the Defendants to act, which would thus allow the Court to issue mandamus relief requiring Defendants to act. Instead, he frivolously demands this Court acquiesce to his conspiracy theories and allow Beadles to control the County's elections procedures. Beadles' attempts to pursue baseless relief violates Rule 11.

IV. SANCTIONS ARE NECESSARY.

Rather than resolve the Rule 11 violations, Beadles chose to pursue the Complaint as filed. He then invited attention to his baseless allegations and claims. He added a link on the front page of his blog so readers can access "The Case in One Place," and hosts a google drive where his followers can access this case's filings. Ex. 2; Ex. 3; Ex. 4.

In a recent post, he proclaims the lack of election integrity in Washoe County, and states "...this is all the truth, not hyperbole, not a conspiracy theory; most if not all of the above is proven in CV23-01341."⁹ Ex. 5. He claims to have "proved," in this case, that there is no election transparency, the existing signature verification is flawed, "[t]here is an illegal function in the election system flipping votes, which is stealing elections from all of us," the voting equipment is unreliable, etc. *Id.* This case is nothing more than a gimmick to legitimize Beadles's conspiracy theories.

Here, sanctions are appropriate to punish current Rule 11 violations and to deter future Rule 11 violations. Defendants should be awarded their reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred thus far. Beadles should be ordered to pay into both the Second Judicial District Court and the First Judicial District Court's sanction funds, and sanctioned in any other form the Court deems appropriate. The sanction amount should take into account Beadles's assets so that it actually deters future violations. The case should be dismissed,

⁹ CV23-01341 is the Second Judicial District Court's case number for the instant case, which is now First Judicial District Court case number 23-OC-00105-1B.

and the Court should award any other nonmonetary directive it sees fit.

V. CONCLUSION

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A Court is not an appropriate venue to host one's empty spectacles. Beadles violated Rule 11 in submitting filings for improper purposes. He violated Rule 11 by including allegations not supported by evidence, including allegations regarding elections "fraud" that rely on debunked "math" by Edward King Solomon. Sanctions are appropriate to punish and to deter future frivolity.

AFFIRMATION PURSUANT TO NRS 239B.030

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2023.

Bv

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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE		
2	Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of the Office of the District		
3	Attorney of Washoe County, over the age of 21 years and not a party to nor interested in		
4	the within action. I certify that on this date, Defendants' Reply in Support of Motion for		
5	Sanctions was filed with the First Judicial District Court, Carson City. I certify that on this		
6	date, based on the parties' agreement pursuant to NRCP 5(b)(2)(E), Plaintiff Robert		
7	Beadles was served with a copy of Defendants' Reply in Support of Motion for Sanctions at		
8	the following electronic mail address:		
9	Robert Beadles beadlesmail@gmail.com		
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11	Dated this 28th day September, 2023.		
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