UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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In re:)	
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PROTOCOL REGARDING)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2018-02
COMMUNICATION DEVICES)	
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Pursuant to LR 1001(c), the bankruptcy judges of the District of Nevada hereby adopt this Administrative Order regarding communication devices protocol:

- (a) <u>Prohibited Communication Devices.</u> Video and audio recorders, still cameras, and video cameras capable of recording, reproducing and transmitting (wireless or not) are not permitted in federal courthouses, unless authorized pursuant to Local Rule IA 2-1
- (b) <u>Restricted Communication Devices.</u> Other electronic devices including wearable devices (i.e., Apple Watch), smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptop computers, or other cellular-type communication equipment are permitted in the courtrooms if they are turned off or on silent, otherwise they are subject to confiscation by Court Security Officers. The use of these devices for communication is only permitted outside of the courtrooms.

The following types of communication are prohibited in courtrooms: video and audio recording, live streaming video; posting videos, texts, and pictures to the internet including social media (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, YouTube, and Periscope); or posting content instantaneously to blogs and other websites.

(c) <u>Exceptions.</u> U.S. Marshals, court security officers, and court staff are permitted to use devices for communication in courtrooms as required to perform their official duties.

With prior court approval, attorneys are permitted to use devices to present electronic evidence display; however, attorneys are not permitted to make or receive phone calls in courtrooms, unless approved by the presiding judge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Bruce T. Beesley, Chief Judge United States Bankruptcy Court

District of Nevada