

Proposed Revisions to NSTR 2 – submitted by Judge Steinheimer

During the May 13 meeting, Justice Hardesty commented that a clarification would need to be made here to address the concerns raised earlier by Judge Steinheimer.

The below revisions to NSTR 2 address those concerns.

Rule 2. Short trial commissioner. Each judicial district may appoint a short trial commissioner to administer the short trial program. Any commissioner so appointed has the responsibilities and powers conferred by these rules and by any local rules. The short trial commissioner may be an arbitration commissioner, alternative dispute resolution commissioner, discovery commissioner, special master, or other qualified and licensed Nevada attorney appointed by the court. The appointment shall be made in accordance with local rules. In districts where there is no commissioner, the district court shall, by local rule, designate a person to perform the duties of the commissioner set forth in these rules; **or may designate a district judge by Administrative Order to perform the duties of the commissioner. A district judge so designated would be the district judge assigned to the case and also retain the powers of a district judge assigned to the case as noted in these rules.**