DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Legal Malpractice | **COURT MINUTES** | **September 08, 2025**

A-25-922833-C Luba Dace, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Melvin Grimes, Defendant(s)

September 08, 2025 9:30 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Reynolds, Jacob A. **COURTROOM:** Phoenix Building 11th Floor 110

COURT CLERK: Stephanie Squyres

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Defendants have filed separate Motions to Dismiss pursuant to NRS 41.660.

The first Motion was filed on August 25, 2025 by Defendants Benjamin Childs and his associated law office.

The Second Motion was filed on August 29, 2025 by Defendants Melvin Grimes and the Roberts Stoffel Family Law Group.

Both Motions were set for Hearing on September 11, 2025.

Plaintiff now files her "Objection to Premature Hearing Date and Request for Continuance." Plaintiff cites EDCR 2.20(e) which specifically allows 14 days after service to file and serve and opposition to a motion, and points out that no Order Shortening Time has been filed.

The two pending Motions to Dismiss are filed pursuant to NRS 41.660 - i.e. Nevada s Anti-SLAPP statute. As such the Legislature has compelled the Court, and the litigants, to handle this on an expedited basis. Specifically, NRS 41.660(f) requires that the Court issue a ruling on these motions within 20 judicial days after the Motion is filed.

Accordingly, the Court must make a decision by September 23, 2025. As such the pending Objection and Request for Continuance is GRANTED as follows:

The Hearing on the Motions to Dismiss is CONTINUED from September 11, 2025 to September 23,

2025 at 9:30 a.m. This gives Plaintiff the full 14 calendar days to respond to each of the Motions.

CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Stephanie Squyres, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /ss