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STEPHANIE MOORING, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF ERYON BARNETT, DECEASED, ET AL.,

Petitioners,

v.

MONTANA EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, THE HONORABLE RIENNE H. MCELYEA, PRESIDING

Respondent.



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RESPONSE OF RESPONDENT EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, GALLATIN COUNTY, THE HONORABLE RIENNE H. MCELYEA, DISTRICT JUDGE

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On April 13, 2021, the Montana Supreme Court issued an Order providing the Eighteenth Judicial District Court and the Defendants in Gallatin County Cause No. DV-18-235B twenty days from April 13, 2021 to file a response to Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Supervisory Control and to Stay Proceedings. Respondent files this Response.

Respondent stands by its April 7, 2021 Order compelling production of Eryon Barnett's cell phone.

Dated: April <u>16</u>, 2021.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, GALLATIN COUNTY, THE HONORABLE RIENNE H. MCELYEA, DISTRICT JUDGE

By:

Hon. Rienne H. McElyea

Hon. Rienne H. McElyea District Court Judge

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Rules 11(4)(c) and 14(9)(b) of the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure, I certify this Response is double spaced (except for point headings, footnotes and quotes), printed with proportionately space Times New Roman Type fact, 14 point, and contains 67 words as calculated by Word, excluding any certificate of service and certificate of compliance.

Date: April <u>//</u>, 2021

Hon. Rienne H. McElyea District Court Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Judge Rienne H. McElyea, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Response of Respondent Eighteenth Judicial District Court, Gallatin County, the Honorable Rienne H. McElyea, District Judge to the following parties via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on April /6, 2021:

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