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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA**

CASE NO. DA 25-0165

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MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL-  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Appellant,

v.

LAUREN DIFOLCO and  
SHERRY SPEAR,

Appellees.

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**MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
AND HUMAN SERVICES' NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL**

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Notice is hereby given of the substitution of the undersigned attorney for  
Blake Koemans on behalf of the Montana State Hospital-Department of Public

Health and Human Services (MSH-DPHHS) in the above-captioned matter. This substitution is necessary due to the disbanding of the Agency Legal Services Bureau of the Department of Justice. All future papers and correspondence should be served on:

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Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of August, 2025.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Justin Wade Kraske, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Notice - Attorney Substitution/Withdrawal to the following on 08-22-2025:

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