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2025 STARTS WITH NEW COMMISSIONER, DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PANEL DETERMINATIONS

RENO, NEVADA (January 16, 2024) The Commission welcomed a new Commissioner, Brianna Smith, Esq., appointed by the Legislative Commission at their January Commission meeting. Four commissioners are appointed by the Governor and four by the Legislative Commission with stipulations on representation from multiple political parties, counties, and professional backgrounds. Commissioner Smith succeeds former Commissioner Yen, who honorably completed two dedicated four-year terms, the maximum permitted per \underline{NRS} $\underline{281A.200}$.

Commissioner Smith has been a practicing attorney in Nevada since 2010. She currently specializes in complex civil litigation at the law firm Pisanelli Bice PLLC. Previously, she served as an Assistant United States Attorney, where she held the role of section chief overseeing the civil defense division at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Nevada.

A full list of Commissioners and their terms can be found here.

At the January meeting, the Commission also heard arguments on a deferral agreement violation, received administrative reports, and processed various other administrative matters.

A Review Panel of the Commission met the same day and recommended deferral agreements in the following cases:

In re Burns, Douglas County School Board Trustee
Case Nos. 24-115C. 24-142C

In re Jansen, Douglas County School Board Trustee Case Nos. 24-116C, 24-143C

In re Dickerson, Douglas County School Board Trustee Case Nos. 24-117C. 144C

In re Englekirk, Douglas County School Board Trustee Case Nos. 24-118C, 24-145C

The next meeting of the Commission will be on February 19th in Las Vegas.

Meeting Materials: https://ethics.nv.gov/Meetings/Meetings/

Meeting Video: https://youtu.be/VtVr1smYUXY?si=pm-BxbxC9wSoVYtr

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