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2	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
3	DISTRICT OF NEVADA
4	IN THE MATTER OF
5	IN THE MATTER OF:  GROUNDS POLICIES FOR  COURTHOUSES WITHIN THE  OGENERAL ORDER 2017-01
6	DISTRICT OF NEVADA )
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9	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective immediately, the following policies shall be
10	enforced in the District of Nevada.
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12	1. Firearms
13	The only personnel permitted to carry firearms upon federal courthouse grounds in the
14	District of Nevada are the following:
15	a. United States Marshals; Deputy U.S. Marshals, Federal Protective Services Officers and
16	Guards, Court Security Officers, U.S. Probation Officers, and U.S. Pretrial Services
17	Officers;
18	b. Federal law enforcement officers;
19	c. Sworn police officers authorized by their law enforcement agencies to carry firearms;
20	d. Personnel of a tenant agency in the courthouse, authorized by the U.S. Marshal to carry
21	concealed firearms in the courthouse or upon courthouse grounds;
22	e. Other properly documented law enforcement officials (state or federal) authorized by the
23	U.S. Marshal to carry concealed firearms in the courthouse or upon courthouse
24	grounds.
25	All persons not specifically authorized by this General Order to carry firearms upon
26	courthouse grounds are prohibited from carrying or possessing any firearm upon
27	courthouse grounds in any manner. This prohibition shall not apply to firearms
28	lawfully possessed and kept in locked vehicles authorized to be parked in courthouse

parking lots, so long as the firearm is kept in such vehicle and not accessed while the vehicle is parked on courthouse grounds.

Authorization under this General Order to possess firearms on courthouse grounds does not authorize any person to carry firearms within courthouse buildings.

## 2. Noise Control

- a. The creation of any excessive noise adjacent to any courthouse grounds while the court is in session, which unreasonably interferes with the working or sessions thereof, is prohibited.
- b. The use or operation of a loudspeaker or sound amplification device in connection with any microphone or other devices in which the emanated sounds are of such a strength, character, intensity, or duration as to be a public nuisance or cause interference with court proceedings is prohibited.

3. Obstruction of entrances and egress.

- a. Any conduct on courthouse grounds which unreasonably obstructs the use of entrances, stairways, and parking lots by the public is prohibited.
- b. Any conduct on courthouse grounds which impedes or disrupts the performance of official duties by Government employees, personnel or jurors is prohibited.

4. Communications with jurors.

- a. Ex parte communications on courthouse grounds with jurors concerning the case on which they are seated are prohibited.
- b. Any communication on courthouse grounds intended to interfere with jurors in the performance of their official duties is prohibited.

The term "courthouse grounds" includes all property owned, leased or used by the federal government appurtenant to any facility utilized for federal court proceedings within the District of

1	Nevada. "Courthouse grounds" also includes property used from time to time by the federal court for
2	purposes of conducting federal court proceedings on the days that such court proceedings take place.
3	"Courthouse grounds" includes, but is not limited to, the walkways, steps, courtyards, plazas, and
4	parking lots of these courthouses.
5	IT IS SO ORDERED.
6	Dated this day of, 2017.
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9	Kent J. Dawson, Chair of the Court Security Committee on behalf of the Court.
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