Case 2:15-cv-02035-APG-VCF Document 4 Filed 02/01/16 Page 1 of 4 FILED RECEIVED ENTERED SERVED ON COUNSEL/PARTIES OF RECORD Bramby Tollen 1 2818 107th PL SE Everett, WA 98208 2 702-355-3275 3 brambyt@hotmail.com CLERK US DISTRICT COURT 4 IN THE UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT, DISTRICT OF NEVADA DIPUTY 5 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA 6 BRAMBY TOLLEN, Case No.: 2:15-cv-02035-APG-VCF 7 Plaintiff, 8 COMPLAINT (AMENDED) VS. 9 CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, 10 Defendant 11 PARTIES/JURISDICTION 12 1. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff resided in Henderson, NV was an individual residing in 13 the State of Nevada and was employed by the Clark County School District (CCSD). 14 Defendant regularly employs fifteen or more persons. 15 Plaintiff worked at CCSD for 17 years beginning in September 1997 until August 2014. 16 Defendant is a local government agency operating in Clark County, Nevada. 17 **COMPLAINT** 18 Plaintiff was the victim of significant and extraordinary retaliatory action for the disclosure of 19 an improper actions committed by CCSD. 20 On or about October 20, 2015 October 25, 2013, Plaintiff discussed the CCSD's insurance 21 contract with School Board of Trustee (Trustee). The Plaintiff informed the Trustee that the 22 contract was and had been overextended in excess of \$6 million per year for several years. 23 CCSD had not properly disclosed nor sought Board of Trustee approval for the total value of 24 the contract as required by NRS 288.153. 25 Immediately following this disclosure, the Plaintiff was the receipt of various levels of 26 retaliation and work place hostility, 27 28 COMPLAINT (AMENDED) - 1

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- 4. On or about March 29, 2014, Plaintiff was informed by her supervisor, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Chief of Human Capital (CHC) that she was being transferred to Human Resources as a Director on Special Assignment. The CHC explained that the Purchasing & Warehousing Department was being reorganized and in order for the Plaintiff to retain her position as a Director, she would be transferred to Human Resources. The CHC reviewed a job description with the Plaintiff for her new position and directed her to report to Human Resource on April 1, 2014.
- The Plaintiff was not allowed to return to her office nor was she allowed to pack her personal belongings without permission from the CHC.
- 6. Plaintiff had worked in the Purchasing & Warehousing Department for the past 17 years at CCSD. Plaintiff had excellent evaluations and had recently been recognized for her service to the local purchasing industry. Additionally, the Purchasing Department at CCSD had received awards for Excellence in Public Procurement for the past decade under the direction of the Plaintiff. Plaintiff had an additional 10 years experience in purchasing prior to joining CCSD. Plaintiff did not have any experience in the Human Resources area.
- 7. Plaintiff's responsibilities as head administrator in the purchasing department including managing over 100 employees, administering a budget in excess of \$5 million, and overseeing the District's expenditure of over \$450 million per year.
- 8. Plaintiff's responsibilities in Human Resources were significantly different and Plaintiff was not experienced in the areas assigned to her.
- 9. Plaintiff suffered significant emotional distress and health issues as a result of the transfer.
- 10. On the advice of her doctor, Plaintiff filed for and was approved for Family Medical Leave (FML) in mid May of 2014. Plaintiff rarely used sick leave while employed in the purchasing area and had over 150 days of saved sick leave in additional to 80+ days of vacation and personal leave.
- 11. Plaintiff was referred to several doctors to resolve her emotional and health issues. Several doctors advised the Plaintiff that her health issues were a result of her employment at CCSD and a recurring episode of Post Traumatic Stress Disease (PTSD). Plaintiff's life had been COMPLAINT (AMENDED) 2

threatened on the job in a reduction in force event and had been treated for PTSD several 1 years earlier. 2 3 **DEMAND** Plaintiff asks for judgment and damages against the Defendant as follows: 4 5 Order Defendant to re-instate Plaintiff to position she held successfully before she was transferred in retaliation for disclosing an improper action by CCSD. 6 Order Defendant to pay full back pay and benefits she has lost as a result of these actions. 7 Award to Plaintiff for compensatory damages in an amount to be shown at the trail for 8 past and future economic and non-economic losses within this Court's jurisdiction 9 10 subject. 4. Award to Plaintiff for general damages, including but not limited to emotional distress 11 12 damages within this Court's jurisdiction. Award to Plaintiff for exemplary and/or punitive damages. 13 Award to Plaintiff for reasonable costs and fees defending her including but not limited to 14 expert witness fees, and as provided under state law. 15 Award to Plaintiff of interest on any awards at the highest rate allowed by law, and 16 17 8. Other and further refilled as the Court deems just, fair, and appropriate. 18 Dated this 10th of October, 2015. 19 20 21 Bramby Tollen 2818 107th PL SE 22 Everett, WA 98208 702-355-3275 23 Brambyt@hotmail.com 24 25 26 27 28

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