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Ms. Gray, thank you for your inquiry. Here is my response.

The citizens of the State of Nevada have determined that their legislature should be a part-time citizen legislature and that individual legislators may continue their own professional pursuits while serving in the legislature. I'm a legal professional and lawyers within my firm represent clients before various courts and adjudicatory bodies. I am representing a client before the Nevada Commission on Ethics. I have openly and transparently reported that representation under Nevada law. My service on the Nevada Commission on Ethics concluded in early 2010. The cooling off period under Nevada law has long expired. Lawyers who are also citizen legislators have had a long history of representing clients before state commissions and other administrative bodies. For example, Senator Bill Raggio was a top gaming lawyer while he served as a State Senator and represented clients before the Nevada Gaming Commission and Nevada Control Board for many years.

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