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exhausted and unexhausted). Respondents shall have forty five (45) days after service of a first amended petition within which to answer, or otherwise respond to, the amended petition. If petitioner does not file an amended petition, respondents shall have forty five (45) days from the date on which the amended petition is due within which to answer, or otherwise respond to, petitioner's original petition. Respondents shall raise all potential affirmative defenses in the initial responsive pleading, including lack of exhaustion and procedural default. Successive motions to dismiss will not be entertained. If an answer is filed, respondents shall comply with the requirements of Rule 5 of the Rules Governing Proceedings in the United States District Courts under 28 U.S.C. §2254.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if and when respondents file an answer, petitioner shall have forty five (45) days after service of the answer to file and serve a reply.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that counsel for respondents shall make available to counsel for petitioner (photocopying costs at the latter's expense), as soon as reasonably possible, copies of whatever portions of the state court record they possess regarding the judgment petitioner is challenging in this case.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any state court record exhibits filed by petitioner or respondents shall be filed with a separate index of exhibits identifying the exhibits by number or letter. The CM/ECF attachments that are filed further shall be identified by the number or numbers (or letter or letters) of the exhibits in the attachment. The hard copy of any additional state court record exhibits shall be forwarded – for this case – to the staff attorneys in Reno.

DATED this 13th day of March, 2012.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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