

## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2016 11:57 AM  
**To:** Stephanie Mullen  
**Subject:** FW: PUC Watchdogs posts

I think we send this one to Capitol?

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**From:** Peter Kostas  
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**Subject:** PUC Watchdogs posts

PROTEST AT THE CONFERENCE THAT DOPEY DAVEY IS 'HOSTING'! THERE WILL BE COMMISSIONERS FROM ALASKA, ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, COLORADO, GUAM, HAWAII, IDAHO, MONTANA, NEW MEXICO, OREGON, UTAH, WASHINGTON, WYOMING AND NEVADA. DOPEY DAVEY IS NOT-NOBLE IN AS PRESIDENT.

Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners)

2/16

Tahoe, Nevada, for more information contact: David Noble ([dnoble@puc.nv.gov](mailto:dnoble@puc.nv.gov))

MY MYYYYYYYY!!!!!! DOPEY DAVEY'S ADMINISTRATIVE ATTORNEY IS THE DAUGHTER OF ONE OF THE BOARD FOR NV ENERGY! PHIL SATRE IS HER FATHER, HER NAME IS JESSICA NEE

YOU LYING BASTARDS! YOU HAD NO FUCKING TIME DEADLINE TO GET THE ORDER SIGNED! IT WAS A SHORT AMOUNT OF DAYS. YOU BASTARDS INTENTIONALLY SUPPRESSED PUBLIC COMMENT BECAUSE YOU WERE AFRAID OF ALL THE NEGATIVE COMMENTS ABOUT YOU! YOU VIOLATED THE OPEN MEETING LAW ASSHOLES

Good show asses! Now, you have the Open Carry people putting you on their radar over VIOLATING their rights! Oh, th

### COULDN'T HAPPEN TO A BETTER BUNCH OF SCHMUCKS!

Aw, the Commissioners are FRAIDY Cats of people exhibiting their RIGHT TO OPEN CARRY! First, it was three, just a in camaraderie of these three?

Lying Lina to the RJ, they are AFRAID/SCARED! Hey, you wanted to work for the PUC, you want to fuck with people, d r and spread 'em without a fight? Bet you guys wish you were dealing with the anti-smart meters folks, huh?! LOL

addresses were made public! THEY ARE FUCKING PUBLIC RECORDS YOU MORON! Lina Baby, did they post yours w, just show them how you FUCKING interpret the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment? Do you have a gun Lying Lina? Just strap it on to sl ow to strap things on?

FUCKING IDIOT? ""Things were getting really tense on the ground," said Tanner. What you are a FUCKING GENERAL activity? 'palm slap on my forehead''

immunity for the PUC is just so over-whelming, its beyond words!

mera, video taping him fucking over rate payers, now, has this nightmare as an EARLY birthday present.

oing to want personal bodyguards? Can't take the heat get the FUCK out of the FIRE!

ICHELE FIORE TO COME AND DO THE NEGOTIATIONS LOL

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**From:** William B. West  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2016 12:21 PM  
**To:** Stephanie Mullen; Jerome Tushbant; Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Cc:** Martin Roberto  
**Subject:** RE: FYI ---Emailing: Nevada Carry PUC Doubles Down on Illegal Open Carry Ban.htm

Hi Stephanie. We were never notified of anyone trying to enter with a gun. I am double checking with security as we speak. I'll get back to you as soon as I hear back.

Sergeant Bill West  
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**From:** Stephanie Mullen  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2016 12:13 PM  
**To:** Jerome Tushbant; Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Cc:** William B. West; Martin Roberto  
**Subject:** RE: FYI ---Emailing: Nevada Carry PUC Doubles Down on Illegal Open Carry Ban.htm

Hello All,  
I was not aware that an individual showed up with a handgun. Is anyone available to discuss the situation?  
Thank you all for your time on this.

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**From:** Jerome Tushbant  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2016 10:13 AM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner <ctanner@puc.nv.gov>; Stephanie Mullen <stmullen@puc.nv.gov>

Cc: William B. West <wwest@dps.state.nv.us>; Martin Roberto <mroberto@dps.state.nv.us>

Subject: FW: FYI ---Emailing: Nevada Carry PUC Doubles Down on Illegal Open Carry Ban.htm

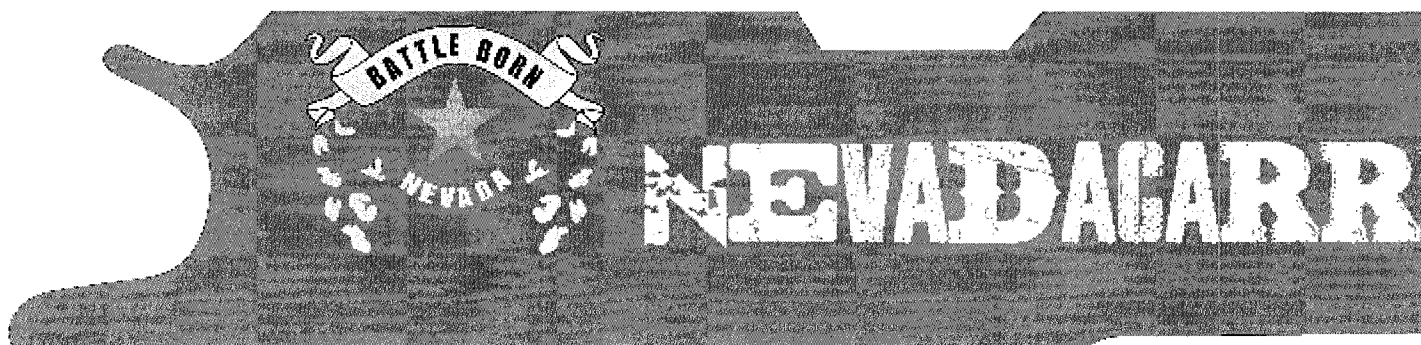
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**From:** Jerome Tushbant

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2016 10:09 AM

**To:** James Wright; Jackie Muth

**Subject:** FYI ---Emailing: Nevada Carry PUC Doubles Down on Illegal Open Carry Ban.htm



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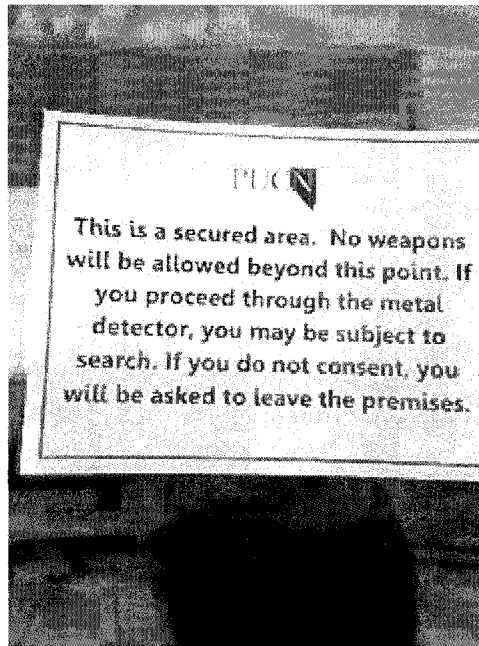
**Tuesday, February 16, 2016**

## **PUC Doubles Down on Illegal Open Carry Ban**

The Nevada Public Utilities Commission once again illegally prevented the entry of a citizen openly carrying a handgun into the solar rate hearing on Friday, Feb. 12. This happened at the PUC's facility at 9075 W. Diablo Dr., Las Vegas.

Last Monday, exactly three armed protesters at the Bring Back Solar rally frightened the PUC commissioners. General Counsel Lina Tanner called the exercise of Second Amendment rights "irresponsible behavior" despite no violent or overtly threatening acts.

On Friday, Metro police were present, as well as metal detection devices. NRS 202.3673 prohibits carrying a concealed firearm into a government building (or office) with signs or metal detectors at each entrance, but an openly carried firearm *is not* illegal.



The citizen reports that he was told by a private security guard that he could not enter because he was wearing a gun. He was directed to “go outside and read the sign on the door,” (pictured) and given the option to put his gun in his car and re-enter, but no guns would be allowed. The citizen did not want to push the issue and left. Unlike the government, most private citizens don’t have a team of well-funded lawyers to fight their battles.

While the citizen would have been legally in the right to continue through and attend the meeting anyway, it is foreseeable that he would have been arrested on a trumped-up charge. The PUC had a woman cited for trespassing simply because she wanted to film a past meeting. The PUC called it a disruption, which Assemblywoman Shelton disagreed with, and laughably twisted the law to say they were allowed to prohibit filming, as the meeting was not subject to the open meeting law.

A question exists whether or not a part of a private building, used for public purposes, can prohibit firearms. The PUC leases space in the privately owned building, owned by Tierra Partners III LLC, out of Yuma, AZ.

NRS 202.3673 defines a “public building” to include the PUC’s facility inside the private building.

6. (b) “Public building” means any building or office space occupied by:

(2) The Federal Government, the State of Nevada or any county, city, school district or other political subdivision of the State of Nevada and used for any public purpose.

If only part of the building is occupied by an entity described in this subsection, the term means only that portion of the building which is so occupied.

Per NRS 202.3673, openly carried firearms *cannot* be prohibited from the PUC’s facility within the private building. The issue gets a bit more gray when one asks if the owner of the private building can exclude certain persons (in this case open carriers) from his building.

A common-sense interpretation of the trespass law (NRS 207.200) indicates yes, an owner of private property can keep whoever they want off of their property for whatever reason. Complicating the factor is that the building is held open to the public for public (government) purposes. So the question should really be, *can a private property owner deny entry to the public who are entering the private property for access to a public building?*

Again, the law is murky, but apply common sense, the answer would be no. On the surface, using a trespassing law to keep citizens from attending a public meeting, held on private property, would be a violation of the First Amendment’s right to peaceably assemble, *especially* if done at the behest of a public agency.

The open carrier in question was not entering “with intent to vex or annoy the owner or occupant thereof, or to commit any unlawful act,” but to participate in a public body’s hearing. Nor was there any intent to commit “any nuisance”, “[interfere] with or [disturb] those peaceably assembled within the building,” (NRS 206.140) or “willfully disturb” the hearing (NRS 203.090).

On the other hand, I'd argue that the PUC committed conspiracy to prevent someone entering a public meeting. NRS 241.020 requires "all meetings of public bodies must be open and public, and all persons must be permitted to attend any meeting of these public bodies." That doesn't say that someone *legally* carrying firearm can be prohibited from entering the meeting. Now, had the citizen tried to enter anyway and was arrested or physically prevented, he'd probably have a case to charge the offenders with the above.

No direct or indirect threat was ever made (unless the PUC is not disclosing something) against any public officials, at least from those legally openly carrying firearms. Chandler Sherman (solar protestor), told the LVRJ: "We have zero tolerance for unlawful conduct, and we have not observed or heard about any unlawful conduct inside or outside of the proceedings." From statements to the press, the PUC officials are bothered by the public opposition to their actions and furthermore don't like citizens who are legally armed. Oddly enough, at least one of the open carriers does so on a regular basis and the hearing/protest was not a special occasion he 'tooled up' for. This is a case of public officials, upset with public outcry, who are afraid of guns, throwing their weight around.

As I'm fond of saying, "Forget it Jake, it's Chinatown." But no, not anymore. Nevadans are standing up to the corruption and abuse of our Second Amendment rights. No, we're not fighting this battle with our guns, but our phones, pens, keyboards, and the occasional hand-made sign.

Comments from LVMPD, the PUC, as well as a Nevada Open Records Act pertaining to this matter are pending.

Posted by nevadacarry at 7:00 AM 

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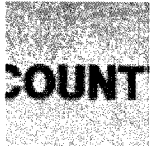
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## **Weapons Policy**

**POLICY:** Weapon Free Zone

**PURPOSE:** To define agency policy on weapons

**PROCEDURE:** It is the policy of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“PUCN”) that in addition to the provisions of NRS 202.3673, all firearms or dangerous weapons of any type, concealed or unconcealed, are prohibited on the PUCN’s agency premises, regardless of whether the person is licensed to carry the weapon or not. This policy applies to all persons entering PUCN premises, with the exception of authorized security personnel and law enforcement officers.

Failure to abide by the terms of this policy may result in discipline up to and including termination or removal from the premise. Further, carrying a weapon onto PUCN premises, in violation of this policy will be considered an act of criminal trespass, will be grounds for immediate removal from premises, and may result in prosecution.

If you have any questions about this policy, or become aware of anyone acting in violation of this policy, please call the Commission Secretary or Executive Director.

## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Stephanie Mullen  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 4:58 PM  
**To:** Paul  
**Subject:** policy on weapons  
**Attachments:** Weapons.docx

Hello Chairman Thomsen,

I have attached a new weapons policy as an FYI.

We were advised by DPS and the AG's office that we needed an internal policy that Capitol Police could refer to during tomorrow's proceedings. We will be using metal detectors in both the North and South. We will post signs prior to reaching our offices to let the public know that our buildings are a secured area and that no weapons will be allowed. If they proceed through the metal detector they may be subject to a search. If they do not consent, then they will be asked to leave.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I will be leaving the office in 20 minutes, but I have my cell phone on me  
[REDACTED]

Thank you,

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**From:** Peter Kostas  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 11:59 AM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Cc:** Garrett Weir; Hayley Williamson  
**Subject:** FW: Las Vegas Sun

Lina,

I'm going to refer Daniel to your direct line.

pk

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**From:** Daniel Rothberg [daniel.rothberg@lasvegassun.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 11:53 AM  
**To:** Peter Kostas  
**Subject:** Las Vegas Sun

Hi Peter — Do you have a few minutes to talk about this? Thanks, Daniel

<http://www.reviewjournal.com/business/energy/worries-over-firearms-surface-rooftop-solar-debate>

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**From:** Peter Kostas  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 12:06 PM  
**To:** Peter Kostas; Adam Danise; Adam Roney; Alaina Burtenshaw; Alicia Cager; Andrew Hall; Anita Castledine; Anita Whitmore; Ann M Scott; Anne-Marie Cuneo; Blanca J. Castillo; Bre Potter; C. Grayson Ronk; Carolyn E. Tanner; Cassandra L Jones; Charisma Sotomayor; Charles Whitman; Christian E. Schonlau; Coby Cates; Craig McDonnell; Craig Rogers; Cristina Zuniga; Cynthia M. Martin; Cynthia Turiczek; Adelere Adesina; Darci Dalessio; David Noble; Dawn Rivard; Debra Christensen; Donald Lomoljo; Elizabeth Avram; Elizabeth Biasotti; Erika Hernandez; Garrett Weir; Gary Cameron; Gregory Metcalf; Hayley Williamson; Jeff D'Amario; Jennifer Diffley; Jennifer Sturm; Jermaine Grubbs; Jessica Diss; Jessica T. Gordon; John Brownrigg; John Candelaria; Joshua Edelman; Judy Kareck; Karen Olesky; Kellie Nichols; Kelly D. Everson; Kelly R. Frantz; Ken Jones; Ken Saarem; Kent Steadman; Kim Lighthart; Kimberly Drake; Lacy N. Wynant; Lisa Alfred; Lisa M. Scott; Louise Uttinger; Mahin Quintero; Manny Lopez; Mark Harris; Matthew Fox; Matthew Rice; Meredith Barnett; Neil Pascual; Nichole Matzek; Nichole Shafer; Nicole D Kennedy; Paul; Paul Anderson; Paul Maguire; Payton J. Wood; Percy Lucban; Rex Bosier; Richard A. Phillips; Rupert White; Sabrena L. Cusick; Sam Crano; Seth W. Johnson; Shayla Hooker; Shelly Cassity; Stephanie Mullen; Steve Traxler; Suzanne Andersen; Swetha Venkat; Tammy Cordova; Teresa L Skanks; Tina Roberts; Tom L. Miller; Trisha Osborne; Vic Crumley; Yasuji Otsuka  
**Subject:** Worries over firearms surface in rooftop solar debate (PUCN)

### Las Vegas Review-Journal

Worries over firearms surface in rooftop solar debate (PUCN)

<http://www.reviewjournal.com/business/energy/worries-over-firearms-surface-rooftop-solar-debate>

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**From:** Jerome Tushbant  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 4:14 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Language  
**Attachments:** Scan from a Xerox WorkCentre; Scan from a Xerox WorkCentre; Scan from a Xerox WorkCentre

Here is example language we discussed during the phone meeting today.

Thank you!

J



*Capitol Police Division*

**To:** All employees assigned to the Nevada State Capitol  
**From:** Chief Thomas Navin  
Department of Public Safety  
Capitol Police Division  
**Subject:** 2012 Emergency Preparedness Drill, November 14, 2012 Employee check-in  
**Date:** November 14, 2012

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Welcome to the 2012 Capitol Emergency Preparedness Exercise! This exercise is designed to drill our preparations in the event of an emergency within the Capitol.

The scenario is based around an active shooter entering the building wishing to inflict harm upon you and your fellow employees. The possibility is great that you may hear simulated gunfire within the confines of the building. Your safety is paramount to me and at no time will your safety be jeopardized. All "actor" participants in this exercise are members of law enforcement.

The hearing protection provided to you is for your protection. Instructions are included on the reverse side of your safety briefing sheet. You will be instructed by Capitol Police officers on its placement. Please wear this protection until instructed to remove them from your ears.

Upon entering the Capitol Building, I certify that:

\_\_\_\_\_ I have no weapons on my person.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have no weapons in my bags I am carrying into the Capitol.

\_\_\_\_\_ If I have any weapons in my assigned work area, I promise I will leave them in place for the duration of the exercise.

\_\_\_\_\_ That exposure to simulated gunfire will not cause any exasperation of a known medical condition I have. If exposure to simulated gunfire will cause harm to you, please see the Capitol Police supervisor prior to entering the Capitol building as arrangements have been made to accommodate you.

By signing below, I certify the above is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

November 14, 2012



RULES AND POLICIES OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STATE OF NEVADA

**Rule No. 62 Duties of legislative police officers.** The legislative police officers shall:

1. Protect persons and property lawfully present in the Legislative Building or other legislative facilities or on the legislative grounds in compliance with the orders given from time to time by the Director.
2. Carry out any other duties assigned to them by the Director.

**NRS 203.090 Disturbing meeting.** Every person who, without authority of law, shall willfully disturb any assembly or meeting not unlawful in its character, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**NRS 203.119 Commission of act in public building or area interfering with peaceful conduct of activities.**

1. A person shall not commit any act in a public building or on the public grounds surrounding the building which interferes with the peaceful conduct of activities normally carried on in the building or on the grounds.
2. Any person whose conduct is prohibited by subsection 1 who refuses to leave the building or grounds upon request by the proper official is guilty of a misdemeanor.
3. Any person who aids, counsels or abets another to commit an act prohibited by subsection 2 is guilty of a misdemeanor.
4. For the purpose of this section:
  - (a) "Proper official" means the person or persons designated by the administrative officer or board in charge of the building.
  - (b) "Public building" means any building owned by:
    - (1) Any component of the Nevada System of Higher Education and used for any purpose related to the System.
    - (2) The State of Nevada or any county, city, school district or other political subdivision of the State and used for any public purpose.

**NRS 206.140 Nuisance in building; trespass upon grounds; disturbing assembly.** Every person who:

1. Commits any nuisance in any building, public or private;
  2. Commits any trespass upon the grounds attached thereto, or any fixtures placed thereon, or any enclosure or sidewalk about the building; or
  3. In any manner interferes with or disturbs those peaceably assembled within the building,
- È shall be guilty of a public offense proportionate to the value of any property damaged or destroyed, but in no event less than a misdemeanor.

**NRS 218F.520 Duties relating to security.**

1. The Administrative Division shall preserve order and security on the grounds surrounding the Legislative Building and within the Legislative Building.
2. When the Legislature is in session the Administrative Division shall assist the Sergeant at Arms of either House, upon request, in preserving order in the chambers and private lounges of the respective Houses.

**NRS 218A.905 Conduct constituting unlawful interference with legislative process.** Every person who, without legal authority, willfully does any of the following acts, alone or in concert with another, interferes with the legislative process:

1. Prevents or attempts to prevent the Legislature from conducting meetings.
2. Disturbs, disrupts or interferes with, or attempts to disturb, disrupt or interfere with, a meeting of the Legislature, any of its committees or any committee or commission created by the Legislature to perform legislative functions at the direction of the Legislature.
3. Withholds, defaces, alters or destroys any official document or record of the Legislature, which conduct interferes with the functioning of the Legislature.
4. Withholds, defaces, alters or destroys any property owned or used by the Legislature.
5. Remains in the legislative chamber, Legislative Building in Carson City, or any part thereof, or any room in which the Legislature is conducting its business, after being advised that the law or rule of the Legislature requires persons to leave after being asked to do so, and being asked to leave.
6. Prevents or attempts to prevent any member of the Legislature, or officer or employee thereof, from performing that person's official duties.
7. Coerces or attempts to coerce any member of the Legislature, or officer or employee thereof, to perform any act under color of office, by any unlawful means, threats of violence, fraud or intimidation.

**✦** 8. Possesses any firearm, explosive, dangerous device or deadly weapon in the Legislative Building or any other place where the Legislature is conducting its business.

(Added to NRS by 1973, 217; A 1975, 1385)—(Substituted in revision for NRS 218.542)

**✦** **NRS 202.3673 Permittee authorized to carry concealed firearm while on premises of public building; exceptions; penalty.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, a permittee may carry a concealed firearm while the permittee is on the premises of any public building.
2. A permittee shall not carry a concealed firearm while the permittee is on the premises of a public building that is located on the property of a public airport.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF NEVADA  
SUPREME COURT COURTROOM AND  
COURTHOUSE SECURITY.

ADKT No. 186

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ORDER

JANETTE M. BLOOM  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY *Richard*  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

All persons, and all items carried by such persons, entering the Supreme Court Building in Carson City, the Supreme Court's Las Vegas Office, or any place where the Supreme Court of Nevada, or any of its justices, are conducting judicial proceedings, are subject to appropriate screening and checking by officers assigned to duty in the Supreme Court. No cameras, recording, reproducing or transmitting equipment (including telephones) are permitted in judicial proceedings, unless prior approval has been obtained from the Supreme Court. Any person who refuses to cooperate in such screening or checking shall be denied entrance.

All persons entering the Supreme Court Building in Carson City, the Supreme Court's Las Vegas Offices, or any place where the Supreme Court of Nevada, or any of its justices, are conducting judicial proceedings, shall be disarmed, except where (a) The person is a law enforcement officer assigned to duty in the Supreme Court or is a law enforcement officer responding to a request for assistance from a law enforcement officer assigned to duty in the Supreme Court; (2) The person is guarding incarcerated persons in the Supreme Court; or (3) Prior approval has been obtained from the Supreme Court. Any person who

refuses to surrender custody of weapons when requested to do so shall be denied entrance.

It is so ORDERED.

Becker, C.J.  
Becker

Rose, J.  
Rose

Maupin, J.  
Maupin

Gibbons, J.  
Gibbons

Douglas, J.  
Douglas

Hardesty, J.  
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Parraguirre, J.  
Parraguirre

cc: Brad Valladon, Chief, Nevada Capitol Police  
Administrative Office of the Courts

## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Stephanie Mullen  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 4:59 PM  
**To:** Alaina Burtenshaw  
**Subject:** policy on weapons  
**Attachments:** Weapons.docx

Hello Commissioner Burtenshaw,

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Please let me know if you have any questions. I will be leaving the office in 20 minutes, but I have my cell phone on me  
[REDACTED]

Thank you,

**Stephanie Mullen**  
Executive Director  
*Public Utilities Commission of Nevada*  
Phone: (775) 684-6177  
Fax: (775) 687-6110



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## **Weapons Policy**

**POLICY:** Weapon Free Zone

**PURPOSE:** To define agency policy on weapons

**PROCEDURE:** It is the policy of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“PUCN”) that in addition to the provisions of NRS 202.3673, all firearms or dangerous weapons of any type, concealed or unconcealed, are prohibited on the PUCN’s agency premises, regardless of whether the person is licensed to carry the weapon or not. This policy applies to all persons entering PUCN premises, with the exception of authorized security personnel and law enforcement officers.

Failure to abide by the terms of this policy may result in discipline up to and including termination or removal from the premise. Further, carrying a weapon onto PUCN premises, in violation of this policy will be considered an act of criminal trespass, will be grounds for immediate removal from premises, and may result in prosecution.

If you have any questions about this policy, or become aware of anyone acting in violation of this policy, please call the Commission Secretary or Executive Director.

## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Stephanie Mullen  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2016 4:58 PM  
**To:** David Noble  
**Subject:** policy on weapons  
**Attachments:** Weapons.docx

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**From:** Sean Whaley <seanw801@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 4:41 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Re: PUCN Security Concerns

Thanks. We had a photog there also so they are looking as well.

On Wed, Feb 10, 2016 at 4:34 PM, Carolyn E. Tanner <ctanner@puc.nv.gov> wrote:

I look at that picture again, and I can't say for sure if he is one of the open carry people. Security says there were 2 with weapons, not 3. Just wanted to clarify. Thanks.

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**From:** Sean Whaley [[seanw801@gmail.com](mailto:seanw801@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 3:45 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Re: PUCN Security Concerns

Thanks again!

On Wed, Feb 10, 2016 at 3:39 PM, Carolyn E. Tanner <ctanner@puc.nv.gov<<mailto:ctanner@puc.nv.gov>>>> wrote:

Sean: attached please find the memo I sent to the director of DPS yesterday. Please let me know if you have any questions. LT

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**From:** Sean Whaley <seanw801@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 2:39 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Re: Open carry photo

Great. Thanks.

On Wed, Feb 10, 2016 at 2:37 PM, Carolyn E. Tanner <[ctanner@puc.nv.gov](mailto:ctanner@puc.nv.gov)> wrote:  
I sent a memo to the director of DPS, not to the gov. I can send it to you after my appointment.

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**From:** Sean Whaley [[seanw801@gmail.com](mailto:seanw801@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 2:35 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Re: Open carry photo

Thanks. Can you send me the letter you sent to Gov. Sandoval as well?

On Wed, Feb 10, 2016 at 2:29 PM, Carolyn E. Tanner <[ctanner@puc.nv.gov](mailto:ctanner@puc.nv.gov)<<mailto:ctanner@puc.nv.gov>>>>  
wrote:  
Hi Sean. Thanks for the chat. The attached photo was in Twitter. 4th gent from the left has a visible  
weapon. LT





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**INTERAGENCY MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Joe Reynolds, General Counsel, Office of the Governor  
**FROM:** Lina Tanner, General Counsel, Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
**DATE:** February 9, 2016  
**RE:** Security Concerns at NEM hearing/meetings

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## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Michael D. Jensen <MJensen@ag.nv.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 12:23 PM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** RE: PUCN Leases

Thanks Lina. We have not concluded anything with regard to Capitol Police's jurisdiction. We are just trying to cover the bases to make sure our client has legal authority to take enforcement action to prohibit firearms into a PUCN meeting.

Thanks again.

Mike Jensen  
Senior Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Attorney General  
DMV/DPS  
(775) 684-4603

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**From:** Carolyn E. Tanner [mailto:ctanner@puc.nv.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 10:32 AM  
**To:** Michael D. Jensen  
**Subject:** PUCN Leases

Hi Mike:

Thanks for the call. Here are the leases.

Las Vegas does not have a specific security clause. Though Section Eight. Repair and Maintenance requires Lessor to provide maintenance of "life safety and security systems (as required by governmental authorities). I'm not sure if Sections Three and Four are at all helpful.

In Carson, Section Six; 6.1 (c) v. requires lessor to provide on-site security if necessary.

If I'm understanding correctly, you're thinking that Capitol Police can't help us because we have a leased building?

Thanks,

*Carolyn "Lina" Tanner*  
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**From:** Peter Kostas  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2016 10:05 AM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Cc:** Garrett Weir  
**Subject:** Fwd: Concerns over safety at PUC

Lina,

Forwarding request from the R-J reporter. I am going to give him your direct line.

pk

Sent from my iPhone

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Peter Kostas  
Public Information Officer  
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
Phone: (775) 684-6118  
Mobile: (775) 230-1147  
Fax: (775) 684-6199  
e-mail: [pkostas@puc.nv.gov](mailto:pkostas@puc.nv.gov)

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Sean Whaley <[seanw801@gmail.com](mailto:seanw801@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** February 10, 2016 at 9:57:37 AM PST  
**To:** Peter Kostas <[pkostas@puc.nv.gov](mailto:pkostas@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** Concerns over safety at PUC

Peter:

I understand that some PUC staff have concern about their safety at the PUC hearing on Friday. Lina Tanner was mentioned as someone who might comment for a story.

I am told the Gov may weigh in on this but I wanted to get some info first on the extent of the concerns.

I understand there have even been instances of "open carry" at the PUC meetings in Vegas on the solar issue.

Please give me a call if we can talk about this.

## Carolyn E. Tanner

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**From:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 09, 2016 4:14 PM  
**To:** James Wright  
**Subject:** PUCN Security Concerns  
**Attachments:** Memo to DPS re NEM Security.pdf

**Importance:** High

Hello Jim. It was nice to meet you today. Thank you for listening to our concerns. Attached please find a memorandum officially requesting your help. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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**INTERAGENCY MEMORANDUM**

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**FROM:** Lina Tanner, General Counsel, Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
**DATE:** February 9, 2016  
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Based on our discussion today, the Commission agrees that it would be advisable to have metal detectors at both locations in order to ensure the safety of the public, and the dedicated public servants who work for the Commission. Any assistance you could provide in this regard would be greatly appreciated.



**Carolyn E. Tanner**

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**From:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 09, 2016 4:18 PM  
**To:** Joe Reynolds (joereynolds@gov.nv.gov)  
**Subject:** FW: PUCN Security Concerns  
**Attachments:** Memo to DPS re NEM Security.pdf

**Importance:** High

FYI.

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## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Joseph C. Reynolds  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 11:11 AM  
**To:** Carolyn E. Tanner  
**Subject:** Re: Addresses/commissioners

I am forwarding these concerns to Capitol Police and DPS. Joe

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 8, 2016, at 11:08 AM, "Carolyn E. Tanner" <ctanner@puc.nv.gov> wrote:

>  
> Good morning. I wanted to let you know that the rehearing today is a little strange.

>  
> First, a person with as yet unknown affiliation to the solar industry has been forwarding the home addresses of the commissioners. I understand that law enforcement in both Incline and Pahrump have been contacted. Commissioner Noble is ensuring that his young daughters will not be walking home from school today as they normally do.

>  
> In addition, two men with open carry weapons appeared with a wheel barrow full of comment cards demanded to get into the hearing room. They were advised that this was not a public comment period, and because they still made the demand to personally deliver the comments to the hearing room, they were asked to leave. One of them advised our staff that they would be back on Friday, fully armed, and with 1000 people.

>  
> Finally, we understand that a large group intends on attending the Sunset Subcommittee tomorrow.

>  
> Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

>  
> Carolyn "Lina" Tanner  
> General Counsel  
> Office of General Counsel  
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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Peter Kostas  
> Sent: Monday, February 08, 2016 10:08 AM  
> To: PUC-General Counsel <PUC-GeneralCounsel@puc.nv.gov>  
> Cc: Kellie Nichols <kdnichols@puc.nv.gov>; Stephanie Mullen <stmullen@puc.nv.gov>  
> Subject: Addresses/commissioners

>  
> Solar supporters handed this to Consumers in LV

>  
> <20160208\_100321.jpeg>

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> Sent from my iPhone

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> Peter Kostas

> Public Information Officer

> Public Utilities Commission of Nevada

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solar PUC commissioners addresses - (2)

James Field

James Field <cxr2015@yahoo.com>

Here are the three  
commissioners addresses

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paul thomsen,

alaina burtenshaw

daviod noble,

## Hayley Williamson

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**From:** Kellie Nichols  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 10:16 AM  
**To:** PUC-General Counsel; Peter Kostas; Stephanie Mullen  
**Subject:** FW: Good Morning...

I just got this from Teresa.

*Kellie Nichols*  
Senior Compliance Investigator  
775-684-6117 Fax 775-684-6164  
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**From:** Teresa L Skanks  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 10:15 AM  
**To:** Kellie Nichols <kdnichols@puc.nv.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

The guard in the hallway is telling people they cannot enter with their guns. So there are people here with weapons. Just an FYI.

Teresa Skanks  
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
702.486.7217 Office  
702.486.7206 Fax



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**From:** Teresa L Skanks  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 9:19 AM

**To:** Kellie Nichols <[kdnichols@puc.nv.gov](mailto:kdnichols@puc.nv.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

They are chanting outside and starting a rally. Most of them are still outside at this point.

Thanks,

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**From:** Kellie Nichols  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 9:18 AM  
**To:** Teresa L Skanks <[tskanks@puc.nv.gov](mailto:tskanks@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

Thanks. If any of those on the bus or outside sign up, keep me posted.

*Kellie Nichols*  
Senior Compliance Investigator  
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**To:** Kellie Nichols <[kdnichols@puc.nv.gov](mailto:kdnichols@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

40 have signed in so far but we just had a bus just pulled in and about 50 people outside.

Thanks,

Teresa Skanks  
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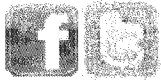
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**From:** Kellie Nichols  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 9:12 AM  
**To:** Teresa L Skanks <[tskanks@puc.nv.gov](mailto:tskanks@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

How many people have signed in? Peter is asking.

*Kellie Nichols*  
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**From:** Teresa L Skanks  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 8:57 AM  
**To:** Kellie Nichols <[kdnichols@puc.nv.gov](mailto:kdnichols@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

Well, some folks from Solar City just showed up with wheelbarrow's full of bags, which I can only assume have comments in them. I'll keep you posted.



Thanks,

Teresa Skanks  
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**From:** Teresa L Skanks  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 8:38 AM  
**To:** Kellie Nichols <[kdnichols@puc.nv.gov](mailto:kdnichols@puc.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Good Morning...

There are a few people. A small line has started but I don't think it will be that bad. ☺

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**From:** Kellie Nichols  
**Sent:** Monday, February 08, 2016 8:13 AM  
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FYI.

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Picture of Bring Back Solar representative open carrying a weapon. Bring Back Solar is comprised of Solar City and two smaller companies.

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