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**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT**  
**MINUTES - December 12, 2022 at 9 a.m.**

**Place of Meeting:** Attorney General's Office Carson City, Attorney General's Office Las Vegas, and via Microsoft Teams video

**Call to Order and Roll Call.** Attorney General Ford called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

**Members Present:**

Atty. Gen'l Ford, Chair  
Bill Gitere  
Serena Evans  
Kim Murga  
Teresa Crimmens  
Debbi Robison  
Christina (Moressi) Crowley  
Traci Trenoweth

**Members Absent:**

Christina Hall  
Nicole Hicks  
Holly Reese  
Lovana Dressler  
Kim Otero  
Scott Tracy

**Also Present:**

Jessica Adair  
Teresa Benitez-Thompson  
Nicole Reilly  
Rosalie Bordelove (board counsel)

**Public Comment.**

Attorney General Ford invited public comment; there was none, either written or in person.

**Approval of Minutes of October 4, 2021 meeting.**

Acting NDOC Director Gitere moved to approve, and Serena Evans seconded to approve the Minutes from October 4, 2021 meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Committee member statements regarding topics for future meetings.**

Serena Evans suggested future discussion re SANE locations and expansion to the rural communities and for the committee to look at what's happening statewide. Additionally, Evans noted that staff at her coalition have been working with many advocacy organizations as well as a handful of victim/survivors looking at the sexual assault and consent language statute. Nevada is one of the few states that has a single definition of sexual assault, which now includes only penetrative rape, and our definition of consent is very limited compared to some other states.

AG Ford suggested a meeting sooner rather than later to discuss Evans' concerns in case something needs to be brought before the legislature. Evans states that there is no need to rush since they are not prepared yet to introduce formal legislation, but would like to start the discussion to prepare for the 2025 session.

AG Ford introduced Chief of Staff Jessica Adair's replacement, Teresa Benitez-Thompson. Adair thanked the committee for all their hard work and noted that the original goal of the committee has been fulfilled and it might be time to discuss what to do statutorily with this committee. The committee had two jobs, which have been completed: Develop the Sexual Assault Survivors Bill of Rights and distribute the funding from AB 176.

AG Ford will speak with new Chief of Staff Teresa Benitez-Thompson regarding possibly sunseting the committee or asking for new direction for the committee.

**Public Comment.** None.

**Adjournment.** 9:30 am