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13 ARIZONA SUPERIOR COURT  
14 MOHAVE COUNTY

15 STATE OF ARIZONA,  
16  
17 Plaintiff,  
18 vs.  
19 CASSLYN MAE WELCH,  
20 Defendant.

No. CR2010-00821

**DECLARATION OF JEROME  
PARRA IN SUPPORT OF MOTION  
FOR RECONSIDERATION OF  
OCTOBER 14, 2010 MINUTE  
ENTRY DENYING CAMERA  
COVERAGE REQUEST**

(Assigned to the Honorable Steven F.  
Conn)

[Oral Argument Requested]

21 I, Jerome Parra, declare:

22 1. I am the assistant news director at KPNX Broadcasting Company  
23 ("KPNX"). I have worked as a professional journalist for 20 years. I have personal  
24 knowledge of the facts stated in this Declaration, and, if called upon, could and would  
25 competently testify thereto.

26 2. KPNX has taped numerous court hearings and trials without  
27 incident and without distracting participants in the proceedings. It has done so  
28 responsibly in courtrooms of all sizes, including small courtrooms in older courthouses  
that were not designed for television coverage. KPNX's photojournalists are



1 experienced professionals who can videotape court proceedings quietly and without  
2 interference.

3 3. KPNX uses cameras that do not require additional lighting.  
4 Additionally, KPNX's cameras are virtually silent and would not be connected to cables  
5 or power cords.

6 4. A KPNX photojournalist would need minimal space to cover the  
7 proceedings in this matter. The photojournalist would require only enough space in the  
8 back of the courtroom to set up a small tripod.

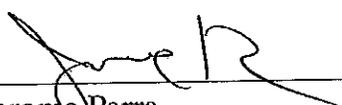
9 5. If the Court allows camera coverage, KPNX shall observe all  
10 restrictions on television coverage ordered by the Court.

11 6. If ordered at any time by this Court to discontinue taping of the  
12 proceedings, KPNX would immediately cease all taping until permitted by the Court to  
13 resume.

14 7. Camera access to these proceedings is an essential means of  
15 providing news to the public of what transpires in the courtroom.

16 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the  
17 State of Arizona that the foregoing is true and correct.

18 Executed on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010, in Phoenix, Arizona.

19  
20 By   
21 Jerome Parra

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2 the Clerk of the Court this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
3 October, 2010, and

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