



BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT OF TENNILLE PEREIRA

Tennille Pereira joined the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada as a staff attorney in the Consumer Rights Project in June of 2016. She advocated for clients in a wide array of consumer related matters including predatory lending practices, varying types of automobile fraud, illegal repossession, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and foreclosure and mediation. Tennille is also an active member of the National Association of Consumer Advocates and has often testified in front of the Nevada State legislature and other governing bodies on predatory lending practices. In October of 2017, Tennille's focus became ensuring victims and their families of the Route 91 tragedy were provided needed civil legal services in the aftermath. She provided direct services on a wide variety of legal issues in the immediate response & became immersed in the victim services realm through the longer recovery effort. Tennille is now the Director of the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center, operated by the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada under agreement with Clark County, Nevada.

Tennille graduated Magna Cum Laude from Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center in 2011. She was one of a few that were honored at graduation and she received the prestigious Larry Kalevitch Award for outstanding promise in the areas of business and bankruptcy. Her undergraduate studies were done at Barry University and she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Legal Studies. Tennille also completed ten years of honorable service with the United States Navy as an enlisted member while obtaining her undergraduate degree.

Tennille took and passed the Nevada bar exam in 2011 and began working for a local Las Vegas litigation firm. She gained invaluable experience in a wide array of issues, including Chapter 7, 13 & 11 bankruptcies, foreclosures, landlord-tenant disputes, debt negotiations, commercial transactions, varying business matters and drafting and negotiating all types of contracts and settlement agreements. During this time period, Tennille also became a Court Appointed Special Advocate to volunteer her time in representing vulnerable youth in Clark County foster care.