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County Counsel Bill Curran, president-elect of the State Bar of Nevada, has filed for election to the Eighth Judicial District Court, Department 6.

The seat is being vacated by Judge Robert Rose, who has announced his candidacy for the Nevada Supreme Court.

"I'm seeking election to the bench to join the distinguished members of the court in their ongoing efforts to improve the administration of

Las Vegas Israelite Renee Diamond Files For Assembly District 42

Renee Diamond, a member of the Nevada State Board of Museums and History, filed for election to the Assembly in District 42.

Diamond is a 16-year resident of Las Vegas and an 11-year resident of District 42.

justice in Clark County," stated Curran, who has served on the American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Standards Committee the past five years. He is an honorary member of the Nevada Judges Association and is a co-author of the Nevada Judicial Orientation Manual.

As County Counsel for Clark County, Curran, a past president of the National Association of County Civil Attorneys, supervises 17 attorneys in the Civil Division of the District Attorney's office. He also acts as chief legal advisor to the County Commission, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and more than 50 other governmental agencies.

Prior to being promoted to his present position in 1979, Curran was a chief deputy assigned to prosecuting felony crimes in the criminal division of the District Attorney's office.

"I believe that I can bring to the bench in-depth experience with the Nevada legal system," he said. "I have strong convictions regarding legal principles and unwavering respect for the law and those who must uphold and enforce it."

Before joining the District Attorney's office, Curran was in private practice with a major Las Vegas law firm, and served as State Court Administrator and as law clerk to the Nevada Supreme Court. He also spent three years as a reserve officer with the North Las Vegas Police Department.

Curran earned his law degree from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California-Berkeley in 1972, and was an honors graduate of the University of Minnesota in 1969 with a degree in political science.

Curran and his wife, Jean, a speech pathologist, have three children — Patrick, Lisa and John.

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The 50-year-old Democrat has been actively involved in community and volunteer positions. Besides her appointment to the State Board of Museums and History by Governor Richard Bryan, she was appointed chairman of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline by then-Governor Mike O'Callaghan.

Diamond said she is seeking election to the Assembly "because I want to work to expand our tourism and effective crime control legislation."

She said her years of experience in government and community programs "gives me the background to approach state and local issues with understanding and common sense."

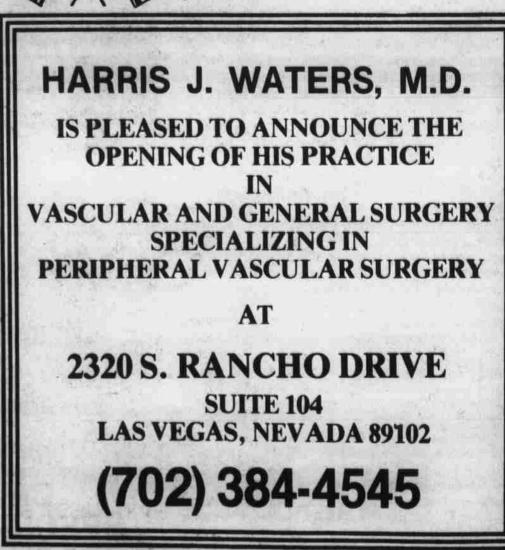
Diamond said a study of the tax structure of the state, which was authorized by the 1987 legislature, "probably will generate enormous interest during the next legislature. We must insure that any changes in our tax structure are equitable, and we must insure that Clark County receives its fair share of tax-supported programs."

Diamond was educated at the University of California at Los Angeles. She is co-owner of a travel agency and served in 1980 as field operations manager for the decennial census.

She was named Clark County Humanitarian Mother of the Year in 1981, and was honored by the National Association of Social Workers as its Outstanding Public Citizen in 1979.

She serves on the boards of St. Jude's Ranch for Children, Clark County Chapter of the American Red Cross and Focus Youth Services. She is past president of the Women's Democratic Club of Clark County, and a member of the Clark County Democratic Central Committee.

Diamond and her husband, Leo, live at 3533 S. Calvert Court. They have four children and two grandchildren.



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