## State of Nevada Pensions Information Relevant to Estate Planning and QDRO's

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The purpose of this presentation is to give attorneys an overview of the various *pension* plans available to Public Employees in Nevada.

## FOUR PLANS:

- I. PERS (Public Employees Retirement System)
  - a. DB plan
  - b. Entities covered (see attached)
  - c. Formula for determining benefit
  - d. Options at retirement
  - e. EE/ER funding
    - i. Some 100% ER, some have choice.
    - ii. How vesting plays into the funding choices
  - f. Social Security Integration
    - i. Windfall elimination provision (see http://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10045.html)
    - ii. Exceptions
  - g. Important information for clients
    - i. Divorce procedures/QDRO's
    - ii. Beneficiary options/procedures
    - iii. Death benefits
    - iv. Estate planning issues
- II. RPA (Retirement Plan Alternative)
  - a. Eligibility
  - b. Funding percentages
  - c. Retirement Income
  - d. Plan document rules, IRS rules, and company rules
  - e. RPA committee
  - f. Fund Companies
    - i. Fidelity
    - ii. TIAA-Cref
    - iii. VALIC
    - iv. American Century, T. Rowe Price (inactive)

- g. requirements of individual fund companies
  - i. QDRO
  - ii. Plan admin signature
  - iii. Withdrawal
  - iv. Estate planning issues
- III. Social Security opt-out
  - a. part time instructors
  - b. funding percentages
  - c. other relevant information
- IV. Resident Physician and Post Doctorial Retirement Plan
  - a. Eligibility
  - b. Funding percentages
  - c. Funding options
  - d. Particular plan provisions
    - i. QDRO's
    - ii. Estate planning

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