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# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

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January 9, 2025

The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk of Court, Supreme Court of South Carolina  
1231 Gervais Street  
Columbia, S.C. 29201

RE: Yamilette Albertson, et al. v. Ellen Weaver, In her Official Capacity as State  
Superintendent of Education

Case No.: 2024-002062

Dear Ms. Howard:

I certify that the Office of Bar Admissions has received a verified application requesting Jessica Levin be admitted *pro hac vice* in the above matter. The \$250 filing fee for the applicant has been paid.

Sincerely,

M.J. Thames  
Bar Admissions Coordinator

cc: Jessica Levin  
Brian Critzer

VERIFIED APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE*  
IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Please type your answers in the space provided. Provide an answer for every question asked. In your own handwriting, sign in all spaces where a signature is required (no e-signatures). The accompanying certificate of good standing should not be older than 90 days at the time of the filing of this application.

<u>Yamilette Albertson, et al.</u>	<u>2024-002062</u>	<u>Supreme Court of South Carolina</u>
Plaintiff	Case No.	Tribunal
vs.	Text	
<u>Ellen Weaver, State Sup't of Educ.</u>	Mailing Address of Tribunal:	<u>Supreme Court of South Carolina</u>
Defendant		<u>P.O. Box 11330</u>
		<u>Columbia, SC 29211</u>

Comes now Jessica Levin, applicant herein, and respectfully represents the following:

1. Applicant resides at:

65 Lombardy Lane

<u>Street Address</u>	<u>Contra Costa</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>94563</u>
<u>Orinda</u>	County	State	Zip Code
<u>City</u>			
<u>(925) 786-8675</u>			
<u>Telephone</u>			

2. Applicant is an attorney and a member of the law firm of (or practices law under the name of) Education Law Center, with offices at 60 Park Place Suite 300

<u>Street Address</u>	<u>Essex</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>07102</u>
<u>Newark</u>	County	State	Zip Code
<u>City</u>			
<u>973-624-1815</u>	<u>(925) 786-8675</u>	<u>973-624-7339</u>	<u>jlevin@edlawcenter.org</u>
<u>Primary Telephone</u>	<u>Cell Phone</u>	<u>Fax Number</u>	<u>Email Address</u>

3. Applicant has been retained personally or as a member of the above-named law firm by Proposed Intervenor-Respondents to provide legal representation in connection with the above case now pending before the above-named tribunal of the State of South Carolina.

4. Since August of 2021, Applicant has been, and presently is, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the District of Columbia or the State of California where Applicant regularly practices law. Attached is a certificate of good standing dated within the last 90 days from the bar of the highest court of the District of Columbia or the State where applicant regularly practices law. It is not necessary to provide a certificate of good standing from all courts before which you are admitted.

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5. List all courts before which Applicant has been admitted to practice law, including United States District Courts; United States Circuit Courts of Appeals; the Supreme Court of the United States; and state courts or the District of Columbia.

Court:	Date Admitted:
California	August 4, 2021
New York	February 23, 2017
New Jersey	March 25, 2014
U.S. Supreme Court	March 29, 2021
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit	May 14, 2014
U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit	October 29, 2024
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan	November 28, 2016
U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey	October 13, 2023

Is Applicant presently a member in good standing of the bars of those courts listed above? List any court named in the preceding paragraph that applicant is no longer admitted to practice before.

yes

6. Is Applicant presently subject to any suspension or disbarment proceedings, or has Applicant been formally notified of any complaints pending before a disciplinary agency? If yes, give particulars, e.g., jurisdiction, court date.

no

7. Has Applicant had any application for admission *pro hac vice* in this or any other jurisdiction denied or any *pro hac vice* admission revoked? If yes give particulars, e.g., date, court, docket number, judge, circumstances; attach a copy of any order of denial or revocation.

no

8. Has Applicant had any certificate or privilege to appear and practice before any court or administrative body suspended or revoked? If yes, give particulars, e.g., date, court, administrative body, date of suspension and reinstatement.

no

9. Please be aware that local counsel must be Rule 403 certified. Local counsel of record associated

with Applicant in this case is Brian Critzer of the WYCHE, P.A.

law firm, which has offices at:

807 Gervais Street, Suite 301

Street Address Columbia	Richland	South Carolina	29201
City (803) 254-6542	County	State 803-254-6544	Zip Code bcritzer@wyche.com
Primary Telephone	Cell Phone	Fax Number	Email Address

103159

South Carolina Bar Number  
(You must provide Bar Number)

10. Has Applicant previously filed an application to appear *pro hac vice* in South Carolina cases? If yes, give case name and status of litigation, date of application, local counsel of record in each case, and state whether application is pending or was granted.

Eidson, et al. v. South Carolina Dept of Educ., decision has been issued, case is resolved, local counsel-  
W. Allen Nickles III, Nickles Law Firm, date of application: 10-26-2023, application was granted

11. Does Applicant agree to comply with the applicable statutes, laws and rules of the State of South Carolina and familiarize him/herself with and comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct? Does Applicant consent to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

yes

12. Applicant respectfully requests to be admitted to practice in the above-named tribunal for this case only.

DATED this 8th day of January, 2025

Jemina Lamm  
APPLICANT

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**VERIFICATION**

STATE OF California )

COUNTY OF Contra Costa )

I, Jessica Levin, do hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I am the applicant in the above-styled matter; that I have read the foregoing application and know the contents thereof; and that the contents are true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe them to be true. I understand that I am under a continuing duty to promptly update the information provided in the application until the tribunal has ruled on the motion for admission pro hac vice. Further, if the motion is granted, I understand that I am under a continuing duty to promptly update the information provided in the application as long as I continue to appear pro hac vice in the action or proceeding. Any updated information shall be provided to both the tribunal that granted the motion and to the tribunal in which the action or proceeding may then be pending.

Jessica Levin  
APPLICANT/AFFIANT

SEE ATTACHED NOTATION

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature)

Notary Public for the State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL COUNSEL CONSENT**

I hereby consent, as local counsel of record, to the association of applicant in this cause pursuant to Rules Governing Admission *Pro Hac Vice* to the South Carolina Bar.

DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025

R. Bin CA  
LOCAL COUNSEL OF RECORD

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of this application upon the South Carolina Supreme Court by mail addressed to: South Carolina Supreme Court Office of Bar Admissions, PO Box 11330, Columbia, SC 29211, accompanied by payment of the \$250 filing fee payable to the South Carolina Supreme Court on this

8th day of January, 2025

[Signature]

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CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California )
County of Contra Costa )

On 01/08/2025 before me, Kyree Ray Anthony Davis, Notary Public

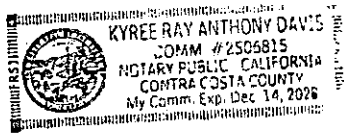
Personally appeared. Jessica Levin

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature KD Signature of Notary Public



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THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA S.C. SUPREME COURT  
CERTIFICATE OF STANDING

January 6, 2025

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that according to the records of the State Bar, JESSICA LEVIN, #338240 was admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Supreme Court of California on August 4, 2021 and has been since that date, and is at date hereof, an ACTIVE licensee of the State Bar of California; and that no recommendation for discipline for professional or other misconduct has ever been made by the Board of Trustees or a Disciplinary Board to the Supreme Court of the State of California.

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

*Carolina Almarante-Terrero*

Carolina Almarante-Terrero  
Custodian of Records

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Attorneys at Law

January 8, 2025

**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

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Office of Bar Admissions  
1231 Gervais Street  
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Case No. 2024-002062

Dear Bar Admissions Office:

Enclosed please find copies of the Verified Application for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* in the State of South Carolina for Jessica Levin of the Education Law Center. We are also enclosing a check in the amount of \$250.00 for the application fee. It is our understanding that you will certify the application to the Supreme Court.

Under separate cover, we will file the original Verified Applications for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* with the Supreme Court.

Thank you for your consideration of these applications.

Sincerely,



Brian Critzer  
(803) 254-6542  
[bcritzer@wyche.com](mailto:bcritzer@wyche.com)

Enclosures as stated.

cc: Jessica Levin (via email only, w/enclosures)

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