

**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.

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Richland County Court of
Common Pleas

Tribunal

THE STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA ex. rel. Alan Wilson, in
his official capacity as Attorney
General of the State of South
Carolina,

Plaintiff

2024-CP-40-06018

Case No.

vs.

Mailing Address of Tribunal:

PO Box 2766

TIKTOK INC., TIKTOK LLC,
TOKTOK PTE. LTD,
BYTEDANCE INC., AND
BYTEDANCE LTD,

Defendants.

Columbia, SC 29202

Comes now Megan A. Crowley, applicant herein, and respectfully represents the following:

1. Applicant resides at:

621 Morris Place NE

Street Address

Washington

City

202-316-4647

Telephone

County

DC

State

20002

Zip Code

2. Applicant is an attorney and a member of the law firm of (or practices law under the name of)

Covington & Burling LLP

, with offices at

One CityCenter, 850 Tenth Street NW

Street Address

Washington

City

202-662-5112

Primary Telephone

County

202-316-4647

Cell Phone

DC

State

202-778-5112

Fax Number

20001-4956

Zip Code

MCrowley@cov.com

Email Address

3. Applicant has been retained personally or as a member of the above-named law firm by

TikTok Inc., TikTok LLC, TikTok Pte. Ltd, TikTok, Ltd, Bytedance Inc., and Bytedance Ltd 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 2nd of October 2017, 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 _____ 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.

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:
New York State Bar	March 16, 2011
United States District Court for the District of Columbia	October 2, 2017
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit	November 21, 2019
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit	September 9, 2019
U.S. Supreme Court	April 18, 2018
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit	January 9, 2024
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit	June 5, 2024

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 David E. Dukes, Thad H. Westbrook and Merritt G. Abney of the Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP law firm, which has offices at:

<u>151 Meeting Street, Suite 600</u>			
<u>Street Address</u>			
<u>Charleston</u>	<u>Charleston</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>29401</u>
<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>
			<u>david.dukes@nelsonmullins.com</u>
			<u>thad.westbrook@nelsonmullins.com</u>
<u>843-853-5200</u>	<u>843-534-4110</u>	<u>843-722-8700</u>	<u>merritt.abney@nelsonmullins.com</u>
<u>Primary Telephone</u>	<u>Cell Phone</u>	<u>Fax Number</u>	<u>Email Address</u>

1783; 16635; 71893
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.

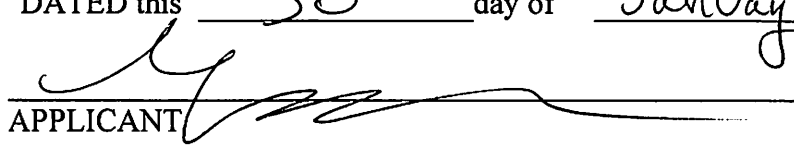
No

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 30 day of January, 2025

APPLICANT 

VERIFICATIONSTATE OF District of Columbia)

COUNTY OF _____)

I, Megan A. Crowley, 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 of information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe them to be true. I understand that I am under 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.

Megan A. Crowley
APPLICANT/AFFIANT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of January, 2025

Cecilia Tarazona
(Notary Signature)

Notary Public for the State of District of Columbia

My Commission Expires: October 31, 2027

**LOCAL COUNSEL CONSENT**

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

DATED this 4th day of February, 2025

[Signature]
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

4th day of February, 2025

[Signature]



*Appellate Division of the Supreme Court
of the State of New York
Third Judicial Department*

I, Robert D. Mayberger, Clerk of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Third Judicial Department, do hereby certify that

Megan Anne Crowley

*was duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the courts of this State on **March 16, 2011**, has duly taken and subscribed the oath of office prescribed by law, has been enrolled in the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors at Law on file in this office, is duly registered with the Office of Court Administration, and according to the records of this Court is currently in good standing as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law.*



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand in the City of Albany on
February 3, 2025.*

Robert D Mayberger

Clerk of the Court



*State of New York
Supreme Court, Appellate Division
Third Judicial Department
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P.O. Box 7350, Capitol Station
Albany, NY 12224-0350*

*Robert D. Mayberger
Clerk of the Court*

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*Anthony A. Moore
Director of Attorney
Admissions*

To Whom It May Concern:

An attorney admitted to practice by this Court may request a certificate of good standing, which is the only official document this Court issues certifying to an attorney's admission and good standing.

An attorney's registration status, date of admission and disciplinary history may be viewed through the attorney search feature on [the website of the Unified Court System](#).

New York State does not register attorneys as active or inactive.

An attorney may request a disciplinary history letter from the [Attorney Grievance Committee of the Third Judicial Department](#).

Bar examination history is available from the [New York State Board of Law Examiners](#).

Instructions, forms and links are available on [this Court's website](#).

Robert D. Mayberger
Clerk of the Court



*On behalf of JULIO A. CASTILLO, Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals,
the District of Columbia Bar does hereby certify that*

Megan Crowley

*was duly qualified and admitted on October 2, 2017 as an attorney and counselor entitled to
practice before this Court; and is, on the date indicated below, an Active member in good
standing of this Bar.*

*In Testimony Whereof,
I have hereunto subscribed my
name and affixed the seal of this
Court at the City of
Washington, D.C., on January 05, 2023.*

Julio A. Castillo
JULIO A. CASTILLO
Clerk of the Court

Issued By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Chu".

David Chu - Director, Membership
District of Columbia Bar Membership

***For questions or concerns, please contact the D.C. Bar Membership Office at 202-626-3475 or email
memberservices@dcbar.org.***



The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Office of Bar Admissions

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CLERK OF COURT

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February 12, 2025

The Honorable Jeanette W. McBride
Clerk of Court
Post Office Box 2766
Columbia, SC 29202-2766

RE: The State of South Carolina v. TikTok Inc., et al.

Case No.: 2024-CP-40-06018

Dear Ms. McBride:

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

Sincerely,

M.J. Thames
Bar Admissions Coordinator

cc: Megan A. Crowley
David E. Dukes
Thad H. Westbrook
Merritt G. Abney