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APPEAL FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT

Ralph King Anderson, III, Chief Administrative Law Judge

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Case No. 17-ALJ-17-0238-CC
Appellate Case No. 2019-001706

Amazon Services LLC,..... Appellant,
v.
South Carolina Department of Revenue,..... Respondent.

MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF ROBERT N. HOCHMAN,
ESQUIRE

Pursuant to Rule 404 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, Bryson M. Geer of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP respectfully requests the Court to enter an Order permitting Robert N. Hochman, Esquire, to appear *pro hac vice* in this appeal as counsel for Appellant Amazon Services LLC (“Amazon Services”) and would show the court as follows:


1. Robert N. Hochman, Esq., is a member in good standing of the bar in the highest court of the State of Illinois. Additionally, Mr. Hochman is an attorney with the law firm of Sidley Austin LLP and is counsel for Appellant Amazon Services.
2. Mr. Hochman is handling this matter in association with Bryson M. Geer, who is a member in good standing of the South Carolina Bar and the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina.

3. This motion is supported by the attached Verified Application for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Bryson M. Geer, a copy of which has been served by mail on the South Carolina Supreme Court Office of Bar Admissions, along with a \$250.00 check made payable to the South Carolina Supreme Court, pursuant to Rule 404 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

4. Prior to filing this motion, local counsel for Appellant Amazon Services consulted with Respondent's counsel, who indicated that Respondent consents to the admission *pro hac vice* of Mr. Hochman in this action.

THEREFORE, the movant prays for an Order of this Court permitting the appearance of Robert N. Hochman, Esquire, *pro hac vice* in this appeal for Appellant Amazon Services.

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Charleston, South Carolina
October 30, 2019

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

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| Amazon Services, LLC | 2019-001706 | South Carolina Court of Appeals |
| Plaintiff | Case No. | Tribunal |
| vs. | | |
| South Carolina Department of Revenue | Mailing Address of Tribunal: | South Carolina Court of Appeals |
| Defendant | | 1220 Senate Street |
| | | Columbia, SC 29201 |

Comes now Robert N. Hochman, applicant herein, and respectfully represents the following:

1. Applicant resides at:
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Cook
 County
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 State

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2. Applicant is an attorney and a member of the law firm of (or practices law under the name of) Sidley Austin LLP, with offices at

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Chicago
 City
(312) 853-2936
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3. Applicant has been retained personally or as a member of the above-named law firm by Amazon Services, LLC 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 Dec. 30 of 1997, 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 Illinois 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.

5. Applicant has been admitted to practice before the following courts: (List all of the following courts applicant has been admitted to practice before: United States District Courts; United States Circuit Courts of Appeals; the Supreme Court of the United States; and courts of other states or the District of Columbia.)

| Court: | Date Admitted: |
|---|--------------------|
| U.S. Supreme Court | January 17, 2006 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit | September 14, 2017 |

| Court: | Date Admitted: |
|---|-------------------|
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit | October 12, 2005 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit | September 6, 2005 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit | June 9, 2005 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit | July 5, 2005 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit | April 11, 2002 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit | February 18, 1998 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit | October 6, 2008 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit | February 1, 2000 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit | April 4, 2011 |
| U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit | February 5, 2003 |
| U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois – General | August 10, 2000 |
| Illinois | December 30, 1997 |

Applicant is presently a member in good standing of the bars of those courts listed above, except as listed below: (List any court named in the preceding paragraph that applicant is no longer admitted to practice before.)

6. Applicant presently is not subject to any suspension or disbarment proceedings, and has not been formally notified of any complaints pending before a disciplinary agency, except as provided below (give particulars, e.g., jurisdiction, court date):

7. Applicant never has had any application for admission *pro hac vice* in this or any other jurisdiction denied or any *pro hac vice* admission revoked, except as provided below (give particulars, e.g., date, court, docket number, judge, circumstances; attach a copy of any order of denial or revocation):

8. Applicant never has had any certificate or privilege to appear and practice before any court or administrative body suspended or revoked, except as provided below (give particulars, e.g., date, court, administrative body, date of suspension and reinstatement):

9. Local counsel of record associated with applicant in this case is Bryson M. Geer
of the Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP law firm, which has offices at:

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| <u>151 Meeting Street, Suite 600</u> | | | |
| <u>Street Address</u> | <u>Charleston</u> | <u>SC</u> | <u>29401</u> |
| <u>City</u> | <u>Charleston</u> | <u>State</u> | <u>Zip Code</u> |
| <u>(843) 534-4306</u> | <u>County</u> | <u>(843) 722-8700</u> | <u>bryson.geer@nelsonmullins.com</u> |
| <u>Primary Telephone</u> | <u>Cell Phone</u> | <u>Fax Number</u> | <u>Email Address</u> |
| <u>13606</u> | | | |
| <u>South Carolina Bar Number</u> | | | |

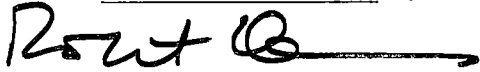
10. Applicant has previously filed an application to appear *pro hac vice* in the following South Carolina cases (give case name and status of litigation, date of application, local counsel of record in each case, and state whether application is pending or was granted).

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

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

DATED this 23rd day of October, 20 19



APPLICANT

VERIFICATION

STATE OF Illinois)

COUNTY OF Cook)

I, Robert N. Hochman, 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.

[Signature]

APPLICANT/AFFIANT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of October, 20 19

[Signature]

Notary Public for the State of Illinois

My Commission Expires: 8/9/2021



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 30th day of October, 20 19

[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

30th day of October, 20 19

[Signature]
APPLICANT/AFFIANT

Certificate of Admission To the Bar of Illinois

I, Carolyn Taft Grosboll, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Illinois, do hereby certify that

Robert Nathan Hochman

has been duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law within this State; has duly taken the required oath to support the CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES and of the STATE OF ILLINOIS, and also the oath of office prescribed by law, that said name was entered upon the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors in my office on 12/30/1997 and is in good standing, so far as the records of this office disclose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed the
seal of said Court, this 8th day of
October, 2019.



Carolyn Taft Grosboll

Clerk,
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned Administrative Assistant of the law offices of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, attorneys for Amazon Services LLC, hereby certify that I have served all counsel in this action with a copy of the pleading(s) hereinbelow specified by mailing a copy of the same to the following addresses:

Pleadings: MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF
ROBERT N. HOCHMAN, ESQUIRE

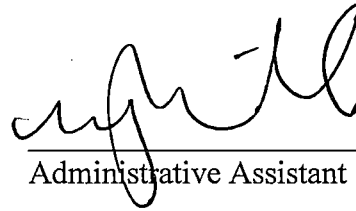
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Via FedEx

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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RE: Amazon Services, LLC v. South Carolina Department of Revenue
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find the the following documents:

1. The original and seven (7) copies of:
 - a. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Carter G. Phillips and proof of service;
 - b. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Constantine L. Trela, Jr. and proof of service;
 - c. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Neil H. Conrad and proof of service; and
 - d. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Robert N. Hochman and proof of service.
2. The original Verified Applications for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of:
 - a. Carter G. Phillips;
 - b. Constantine L. Trela, Jr.;
 - c. Neil H. Conrad; and
 - d. Robert N. Hochman.
3. The original Certificates of Good Standing for:
 - a. Carter G. Phillips;
 - b. Constantine L. Trela, Jr.;
 - c. Neil H. Conrad; and
 - d. Robert N. Hochman.
4. Our firm's check in the amount of \$200.00 for the fees associated with the filing of the four motions.

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings

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Please file the originals and return the clocked-in copies via the self-addressed, postage paid envelope provided.

By copy of this correspondence and the enclosure, we are serving Respondent's counsel with the same. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryson M. Geer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bryson" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Geer".

Bryson M. Geer

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Enclosures

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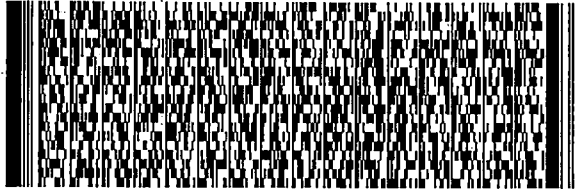
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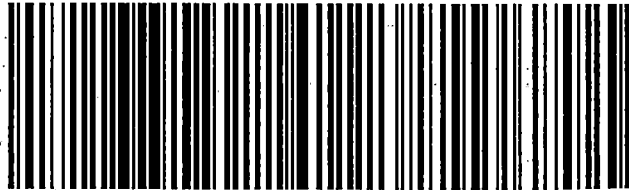
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