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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
RICHMOND DIVISION**

In re:

Hopeman Brothers, Inc.,  
  
Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-32428-KLP

**MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE**

Jennifer J. West, Esquire (the “Movant”), a member in good standing of the Virginia State Bar, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, and an attorney with the law firm of Spotts Fain PC, moves the Court, pursuant to Local Rule 2090-1(E)(3) of the Local Rules for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, for the entry of an Order authorizing Philip Hoffman, Esquire (“Mr. Hoffman”), an attorney with the Law Office of Philip C. Hoffman, to appear and practice *pro hac vice* before this Court as counsel to Law Office of Philip C. Hoffman, in the above-captioned bankruptcy proceedings and any related or associated proceedings (the “Motion”). In support of the Motion, Movant states as follows:

1. Mr. Hoffman is a member of the bar of the State of Louisiana and is admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the United States



District Court for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of Louisiana. There are no disciplinary proceedings pending against Mr. Hoffman.

2. Local Rule 2090-1(E)(3) provides that “an attorney from another state, the District of Columbia or a territory of the United States may appear and practice in cases *pro hac vice* before this Court upon a motion of a member of the Bar of this Court, provided that in all appearances said attorney shall be accompanied by a member of this Bar. Applicants for *pro hac vice* admission shall complete a written application, which shall be appended to and incorporated by reference in the aforesaid motion.” **Exhibit B**, attached hereto, is a completed Application required by Local Rule 2090-1(E)(3)(a).

3. Movant requests that the Court authorize Mr. Hoffman to appear at hearings in the above-captioned bankruptcy cases and related adversary proceedings and practice before this Court in those proceedings.

4. Movant has provided notice of this Motion to all persons that receive CM/ECF notice in these bankruptcy cases, including the Office of the U.S. Trustee and counsel for the Debtors.

**WHEREFORE**, Movant requests that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form of **Exhibit A**, attached hereto, authorizing Philip Hoffman, Esquire to appear and practice *pro hac vice* as Counsel to Law Office of Philip C. Hoffman and granting such other relief that the Court deems proper.

Dated: July 31, 2024

LAW OFFICE OF PHILIP C. HOFFMAN

/s/ Jennifer J. West

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing was served via CM/ECF on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July 2024 on the Office of the United States Trustee, Counsel for the Debtors, and all parties receiving notice in the above-captioned case, constituting all necessary parties.

/s/ Jennifer J. West

**EXHIBIT A – PROPOSED ORDER**

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**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

On the motion (the “Motion”<sup>1</sup>) of Jennifer J. West, Esquire of Spotts Fain PC seeking authorization of the admission *pro hac vice* for Philip Hoffman, Esquire, an attorney with the Law Office of Philip C. Hoffman; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is proper and appropriate; the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and that the relief requested therein is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; venue being proper before the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby ORDERED that

1. The Motion is granted in its entirety.
2. Philip Hoffman, Esquire is authorized to appear before the Court and practice *pro*

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<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Motion.

*hac vice* as Counsel to Law Office of Philip C. Hoffman in the above-captioned bankruptcy cases and related or associated proceedings.

3. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be effective immediately upon entry on the Court's docket, and any applicable stay that would otherwise delay the effectiveness of this Order is WAIVED.

4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction concerning all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

DATED:

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United States Bankruptcy Judge

ENTERED ON DOCKET:

*I Ask For This:*

/s/  
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**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Order has been endorsed by or served on all necessary parties as required by Local Rule 9022-1(C)(1).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 /s/

**PARTIES TO RECEIVE COPIES:**

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**EXHIBIT B - LOCAL RULE 2090-1(E)(3) APPLICATION**



UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
RICHMOND DIVISION

APPLICATION TO QUALIFY AS A FOREIGN ATTORNEY UNDER  
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2090-1(E)(3)

In Case No.: 24-32428-KLP, \* Case Name Hopeman Brothers, Inc.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

FULL NAME (no initials, please) Philip Hoffman  
Bar Identification Number 32277 State Louisiana  
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Name(s) of federal court(s) in which I have been admitted EDLA, MDLA, WDLA, US 5th Circuit

I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the following United States District Court(s): Eastern,  
Western and Middle District of Louisiana

I certify that the rules of the federal court in the district in which I maintain my office extend a similar *pro hac vice* admission privilege to members of the bar of the Eastern District of Virginia.

I have not been reprimanded in any court nor has there been any action in any court pertaining to my conduct or fitness as a member of the bar.

I hereby certify that, within 90 days before the submission of this application, I have read the Local Rules of this Court and that my knowledge of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence is current.

/s/ Philip C. Hoffman  
(Applicant's Signature)

I, the undersigned, do certify that I am a member of the bar of this Court, not related to the applicant; that I know the applicant personally, that the said applicant possesses all of the qualifications required for admission to the bar of this Court; that I have examined the applicant's personal statement. I affirm that his/her personal and professional character and standing are good, and petition the court to admit the applicant *pro hac vice*.

/s/ Jennifer J. West  
(Signature)

July 31, 2024  
(Date)

Jennifer J. West  
(Typed or Printed Name)

\**Pro hac vice* admission in a case shall include an adversary proceeding(s) in the case.