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April 1, 2024

Mr. Bowen Greenwood,
Clerk Montana Supreme Court
P.O. Box 203003
Helena, MT 59620

RE: Montana *Pro Hac Vice* Application

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed is a copy of an application to appear *pro hac vice* before your court or agency from the attorney listed below:

Christopher Winter
Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources
Wolf Law Building, 401 UCB, 2450 Kittregde Rd
Boulder, CO 80309

The attorney has complied with the rules governing a *pro hac vice* appearance and is currently in good standing with the other state or jurisdiction(s) in which they are admitted. Further, the Montana counsel listed in the application is in good standing with the State Bar of Montana.

This is the 1st appearance for the attorney and the 1st appearance for the firm. under the *pro hac vice* rules, Section VI(C) of the Rules for Admission to the State Bar of Montana states: *Except upon a showing of good cause, no attorney or firm may appear pro hac vice in more than two actions or proceedings in any state court or administrative agency in Montana.* Please provide my office with a copy of your decision to grant or deny this application. Please contact me at (406) 447-2217 if you have questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

Laura Frovarp
Bar Admissions Coordinator

Enclosure

Cc: Domenic A. Cossi
Christopher Winter

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Clerk of Supreme Court
State of Montana

Atty Status	Jurisdiction(s)
CO ✓	
Discipline	
Appearance: Applicant	Firm
MT Attorney	SBM ✓ ODC ✓

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4-1-24	Application Number
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\$515	Staff Initials
online	
4-1-24	Check No.
	Date Sent to Court or Agency

STATE BAR OF MONTANA
P.O. Box 577, Helena, MT 59624
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PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION

The original application must be submitted to the State Bar of Montana with a fee of \$515.00 for each *pro hac vice* appearance requested and a certificate of good standing from each state the attorney is a member of.

- Christopher Winter (503) 701-6002 chris.winter@colorado.edu
Applicant's Name Phone E-Mail
- Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources, Energy, and the Environment
Firm Name (List all firm(s) with which you are associated.)
- Wolf Law Building, 401 UCB, 2450 Kittredge Rd. Boulder CO 80309
Office Address City State Zip
- 3378 Overland Rd. Jamestown CO 80455
Residence Address City State Zip
- List the name, address, and telephone number of the active member of the State Bar of Montana who is the attorney of record in the case for which this application is being made.
Domenic A. Cossi Western Justice Associates PLLC (406) 587-1900
Attorney & Firm Name Daytime Phone Number
303 W. Mendenhall, Suite 1 Bozeman MT 59715
Address City State Zip
- List all state and federal courts in which you have been admitted to practice and the dates of admission and provide certification of good standing for each State only. **Do not** include pro hac vice admissions.
A. State Courts: Colorado (Dec. 5, 2019); Oregon (Inactive) (Oct. 28, 1998)
B. Federal Courts: U.S. Supreme Court; Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals; Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal; District of Oregon; District of Alaska; Western District of Washington; Eastern District of Washington

7. Are you currently suspended, disbarred, or otherwise not licensed to practice in any of the above courts? If so, attach copies of all relevant court documents or disciplinary documents. ___ Yes ☒ No
8. Are you subject to pending disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdiction? ___ Yes ☒ No
If so, attach a description of the nature and status of each pending disciplinary proceeding.
9. Do you maintain a residence in Montana? ___ Yes ☒ No
10. Are you regularly employed in Montana? ___ Yes ☒ No
11. Are you regularly engaged in the practice of law or in substantial business or professional activities in Montana? ___ Yes ☒ No
12. Do you have an application for admission to the State Bar of Montana pending? ___ Yes ☒ No
13. List the title of each state court and cause in Montana in which you **OR YOUR FIRM** have filed an application to appear as counsel pro hac vice, the date of each application, and whether it was granted or denied. *(Do not list Federal court pro hac vice appearances.)*

List the current title, court, and cause number for which you are applying.

Title, Court, Cause #	County	Date	Granted: (Yes, No)
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A. Previous Cases: _____

B. CURRENT Case: (please include County) _____
Held, et. al. v. State of Montana, et al., Supreme Court Case No. DA 23-0575, Cause No. 2020-307, Lewis and Clark County

14. I agree to comply with the applicable statutes, laws, and procedural rules of the State of Montana. I further agree to be bound by the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct (except as to Rules 6.1-6.4) and will submit to the jurisdiction of the Montana courts, the Montana disciplinary process, and the State Bar of Montana with respect to acts and omissions occurring during admission under this application.
15. I understand that a lawyer not admitted to practice in Montana is subject to the disciplinary authority of Montana for conduct that constitutes a violation of the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct and that: a) involves the practice of law in Montana by that lawyer; or b) involves that lawyer holding himself or herself out as practicing law in Montana; or c) involves the practice of law in Montana by another lawyer over whom this lawyer has the obligation of supervision or control.
16. I state that payment has been made to the State Bar of Montana in accordance with the requirements of Section IV of the Rules for Admission and in accordance with the requirements of Rule 6 of the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement.
17. I understand I have an on-going obligation to advise the State Bar of Montana and court/administrative agency if my standing or status changes in any of the jurisdictions in which I am admitted during the term of my pro hac vice admission.

18. I agree to provide the State Bar of Montana with the court or administrative agency's order to grant or deny this application. (All applications will be counted as an appearance unless the State Bar of Montana is advised the application was denied by the Court.)
19. I agree to notify the State Bar of Montana of any appeals if the case is referred to a higher court. (If the above action proceeds to a court of higher jurisdiction, I understand the appealed case will not be counted as an additional appearance.)
20. I agree to provide current certificates of good standing from the jurisdiction(s) in which I am admitted.
21. I understand that the \$515.00 assessment is an annual assessment and agree to promptly pay the assessment as long as this proceeding is pending before a Montana administrative agency or any Montana court (except federal court).

State of Colorado

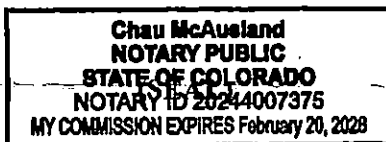
County of Boulder

The above statements are true based upon applicant's knowledge and belief. Further, I agree to submit to the pro hac vice rules, the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct, and the Montana Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement.

Charles
Signature of Applicant

March 19, 2024
Date

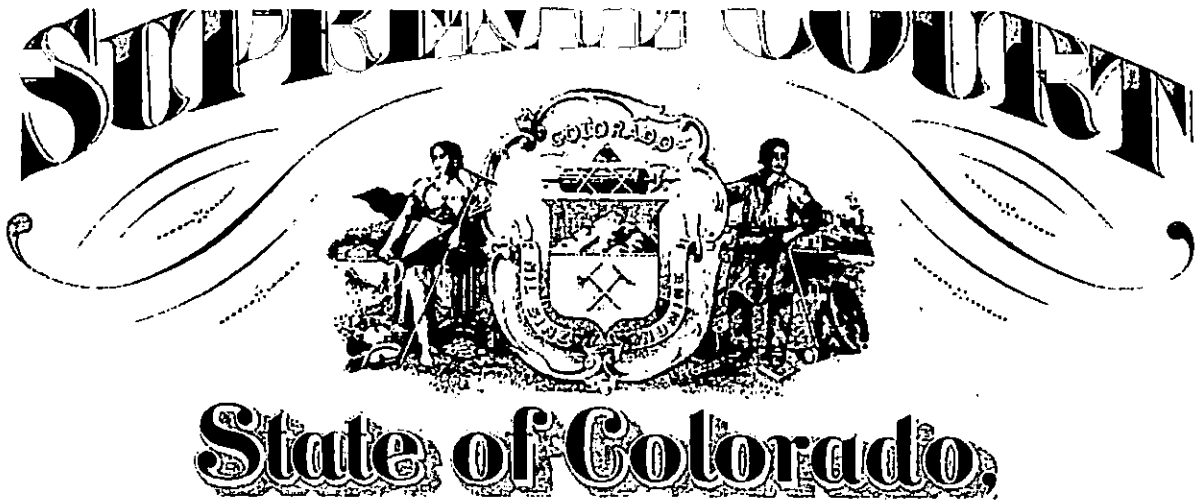
Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 19th day of March, 2024



Notary Signature: Chau McAusland
Printed Name of Notary: Chau McAusland
Notary Public for the State of: Colorado
Residing in: Erle, Colorado
My commission expires: 2/20/2028

ATTACH: Certificate(s) of Good Standing
\$515.00 Pro Hac Vice Fee

Rules and information about pro hac vice are available on the State Bar's website at www.montanabar.org.
Please direct questions to Kathie Lynch: klynch@montanabar.org or (406) 447-2210.



STATE OF COLORADO, ss:

I, Cheryl Stevens, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State
of Colorado, do hereby certify that

Christopher G. Winter

has been duly licensed and admitted to practice as an

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

within this State; and that his/her name appears upon the Roll of
Attorneys

and Counselors at Law in my office of date the 5th

day of December A.D. 2019 and that at the date

hereof the said Christopher G. Winter is in good standing
at this Bar.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and
affixed the Seal of said Supreme Court, at Denver, in said State, this

14th day of March A.D. 2024

Cheryl Stevens

Clerk

By

Christopher G. Winter