

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of Dr. Thomas M. Pokabla,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 13-1636-TP-CSS
)	
United Telephone Company of Ohio dba)	
CenturyLink,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO PRACTICE
*PRO HAC VICE***

Pursuant to Gov.Bar R. XII(6), Thomas M. Dethlefs, attorney for United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink"), hereby moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (the "Commission") to grant him permission to appear *pro hac vice* and participate as counsel or co-counsel in the above-captioned proceeding.

Movant is admitted to and has been a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Illinois since November, 1986. His attorney registration number in the State of Illinois is 6193590. Movant is admitted to and has been a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Colorado since May, 2000 and practices under attorney registration number 31773.

Movant represents that he has not been granted permission to appear *pro hac vice* in more than three proceedings before Ohio tribunals in the current calendar year. Gov.Bar R. XII(2)(A)(5).

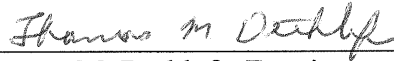
Christen M. Blend (#0086881), an active Ohio attorney in good standing, has agreed to associate with Movant on this proceeding.

Pursuant to Gov.Bar R. XII(2)(A)(6), Movant herewith provides a copy of the affidavit required by Gov.Bar R. XII(2)(A)(6). A copy of Movant's Certificate of *Pro Hac Vice* Registration furnished by the Supreme Court of Ohio Office of Attorney Services is also attached. Additionally, a certificate of service of this Motion on all known parties and attorneys of record is attached.

Movant understands that, if this Motion is granted, Movant must file a Notice of Permission to Appear *Pro Hac Vice* and a copy of the Order granting permission with the Supreme Court of Ohio Office of Attorney Services within thirty days of the Order.

WHEREFORE, Thomas M. Dethlefs respectfully moves the Commission for permission to appear *pro hac vice* before the Commission in the limited instance of this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: September 10, 2013

IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTION OF

CASE NO. 13-1636-TP-CSS

Thomas M. Dethlefs

**AFFIDAVIT OF
OUT-OF-STATE ATTORNEY**

FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE

Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 2(A)(6)

Thomas M. Dethlefs being first duly cautioned, swears or affirms as follows:

- a. I have never been disbarred from the practice of law.
- b. I have been admitted to the practice of law in the following jurisdictions (attach additional jurisdictions if necessary):

Illinois (#6193590)

Colorado (#31773)

c. Choose one:

- ☒ I am not currently suspended from the practice of law in any jurisdiction where I have been admitted to practice.
- ☐ I am currently suspended from the practice of law in the following jurisdictions:

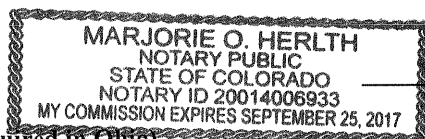
d. Choose one:

- ☒ I have not resigned from the practice of law with discipline pending in any jurisdiction where I have been admitted to practice.
- ☐ I have resigned from the practice of law with discipline pending in the following jurisdiction(s):

Thomas M. Dethlefs
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

Sworn to or affirmed before me and subscribed in my presence the 10th day of September,

20 13, in the state of Colorado and county of Denver.



Marjorie O. Herlth
SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC*

*Affix stamp & seal (required in Ohio).

THE SUPREME COURT *of* OHIO

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF

Thomas Dethlefs

FOR PRO HAC VICE REGISTRATION

per Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 2(A)(3)

Certificate of
PRO HAC VICE
REGISTRATION

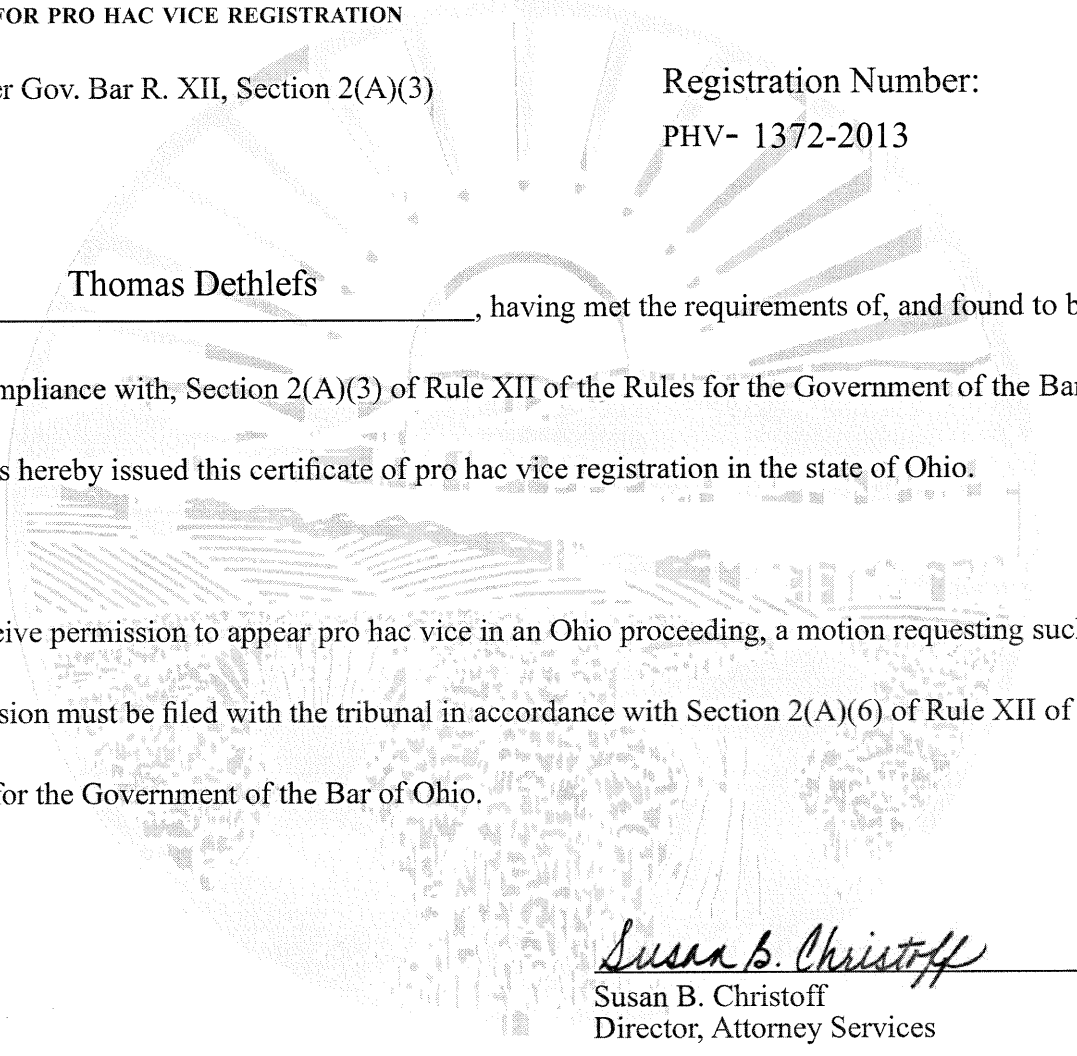
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Registration Number:
PHV- 1372-2013

Thomas Dethlefs

, having met the requirements of, and found to be in full compliance with, Section 2(A)(3) of Rule XII of the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio, is hereby issued this certificate of pro hac vice registration in the state of Ohio.

To receive permission to appear pro hac vice in an Ohio proceeding, a motion requesting such permission must be filed with the tribunal in accordance with Section 2(A)(6) of Rule XII of the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.


Susan B. Christoff

Susan B. Christoff
Director, Attorney Services

Expires December 31, 2013

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 10th day of September, 2013, a true and accurate copy of the foregoing was served on the persons listed below via U.S. Mail, postage-prepaid, and/or via electronic delivery:

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Summary: Motion Motion for Permission to Practice Pro Hac Vice electronically filed by Mr. Thomas M. Dethlefs on behalf of United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a CenturyLink