

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
APPLICATION OF NATIVE)
AMERICAN TELECOM, LLC FOR A)
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO)
PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE)
SERVICE WITHIN THE STUDY AREA)
OF MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS,)
INC.)

DOCKET NUMBER TC11-087

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**MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT ATTORNEY
PRO HAC VICE**

Stanley Whiting hereby moves for the admission of Diane C. Browning to practice pro hac vice on behalf of Sprint Communications Company L.P. in this action pending before the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) of the State of South Dakota. In support of this motion, I offer the following showing:

1. Ms. Browning is an attorney employed on a full time basis by Sprint Communications Company L.P., 6450 Sprint Parkway, Overland Park, KS 66251 Her telephone number is (913) 315-9284.
2. Ms. Browning will associate with Stanley Whiting, Whiting Law Office, 142 E. Third Street, Winner, South Dakota 57580.
3. Ms. Browning is a member in good standing of the State Bar of Missouri. Ms. Browning is licensed to practice law in all state courts in Missouri. Her state bar number is 52077. Ms. Browning is also admitted to practice law in Kansas and Texas.
4. Ms. Browning is not currently suspended or disbarred by any jurisdiction, nor has she been the subject of any disciplinary action by the Bar or Court of any jurisdiction admitted to practice.

5. Ms. Browning has not been denied admission to the courts of any state or to any federal court during the preceding five years.

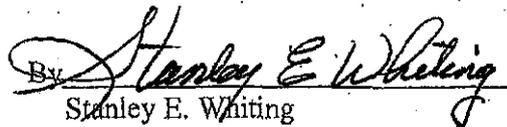
6. Ms. Browning is familiar with the rules of the State Bar of South Dakota governing the conduct of members of the State Bar of South Dakota, and will at all times abide by and comply with the same so long as this matter is pending, and she has not withdrawn as counsel herein.

7. I find Ms. Browning to be a highly reputable attorney and recommend his admission pro hac vice before the PUC as well as this Court.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully move this Court for an Order admitting Diane C. Browning pro hac vice in the above PUC matter and any appeals therefrom in the Circuit Courts of this state.

Dated at Winner, South Dakota, this 17th day of January, 2012.

WHITING LAW OFFICE

By 

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, one of the attorneys for Sprint Communications Company L.P. hereby certifies that on the 20th day of January, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice was served by first class mail upon the following:

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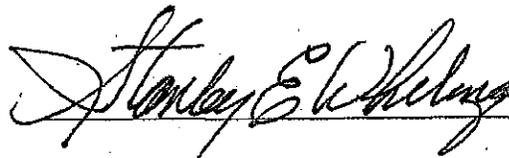
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**AFFIDAVIT AND MOTION IN SUPPORT OF
THE MOTION TO ADMIT PRO HAC VICE**

Comes now Affiant, Diane C. Browning, and submits her Affidavit in support of the Motion to Admit Diane C. Browning Pro Hac Vice as counsel for Sprint Communications Company L.P. of Stanley E. Whiting, Whiting Law Office, 142 E. Third Street, Winner, South Dakota 57580.

1. My full name is Diane C. Browning, and my office address is 6450 Sprint Parkway, Mailstop KSOPHN0314-3A559, Overland Park, Kansas 66251. My telephone number is (913) 315-9284.

2. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in all state courts in Missouri, my state bar number is 52077, and I desire to appear as counsel *pro hac vice* before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission and Hughes County Circuit Court in any appeals, in Public Utilities Commission docket number TC 11-087.

3. I am admitted to practice law in Missouri, Kansas, and Texas.

4. I am not currently suspended or disbarred by any jurisdiction where I have been admitted. I have not been the subject of any disciplinary action by the Bar or Court of any

jurisdiction in which I have been admitted to practice. No member of my firm is currently suspended or disbarred.

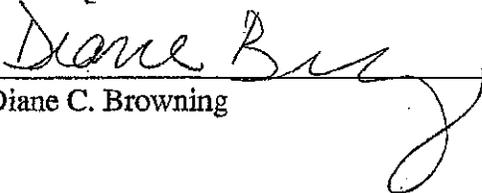
5. I have not been denied admission to the courts of any state or to any federal court during the preceding five years.

6. I am familiar with the rules of the State Bar of South Dakota governing the conduct of members of the State Bar of South Dakota, and will at all times abide by and comply with the same so long as such trial or hearing is pending, and I have not withdrawn as counsel therein.

7. I am appearing on behalf of my employer, Sprint Communications Company L.P., for whom I am employed on a full time basis and my appearance in the courts of South Dakota is part of my duties without additional compensation being paid for such appearance.

8. I have associated with Stanley E. Whiting, Whiting Law Office, 142 E. Third Street, Winner, South Dakota 57580, as local counsel, who is a member in good standing of the South Dakota State Bar and the Bar of this Court, to participate with respect to the representation of Sprint Communications Company L.P. in this cause.

Affiant says nothing further.



Diane C. Browning

STATE OF KANSAS)
)SS
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

On this, the 2nd day of December, 2011, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Diane Browning, known to me or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Hebbie Dressler
Notary Public, Kansas

My Commission Expires:

