#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN DIVISION

GLENDA SHOWS, STEPHEN P. THOMPSON and	)
PATRICIA B. THOMPSON; ESTATE of ALFRED	)
PEPPERMAN, Deceased, DAVID PEPPERMAN,	)
Executor; CRAIG FARON TROUB and MARION	)
TROUB; TED THOMAS and DONNA THOMAS;	)
JEFFREY PICKICH; RONALD E. NUGENT	)
and BARBARA P. NUGENT; CHARLES J. LINKEY	)
and JOYCE A. LINKEY; WALTON JONES and	)
PENNY JONES; WAYNE HARBOUR; PAUL	)
GLOYER and CONSTANCE GLOYER; ALAN	)
LIPSKI; SHERROD WILLETTE and MARY	)
WILLETTE; CHET CARTER;	)
	)
Plaintiffs,	· ·
	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:07-cv-709-WHB-LRA
-vs-	CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:07-cv-709-WIIB-ERA
	)
STATE FARM FIRE AND	
CASUALTY COMPANY, et al.,	)
	<i>)</i>
Defendants.	)

# MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE

COME NOW Plaintiffs, Glenda Shows, Stephen P. Thompson and Patricia B. Thompson; Estate of Alfred Pepperman, deceased, David Pepperman, Executor; Craig Faron Troub and Marion Troub; Ted Thomas and Donna Thomas; Jeffrey Pickich; Ronald E. Nugent and Barbara P. Nugent; Charles J. Linkey and Joyce A. Linkey; Walton Jones and Penny Jones; Wayne Harbour; Paul Gloyer and Constance Gloyer; Alan Lipski; Sherrod Willette and Mary Willette and Chet Carter (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), by and through their attorneys, Provost \* Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P. and hereby moves the Court for an order admitting THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY, also the managing

partner of Provost Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P., to appear and practice before this Court *pro hac vice*, as additional counsel for the Plaintiffs, and for cause thereof, would show unto the Court the following:

- 1. Mr. Umphrey is the managing partner of the firm of Provost & Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P., resident in its Beaumont, Texas office. His office address is 490 Park Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701. Affidavit of Thomas Walter Umphrey attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Affidavit").
- 2. Mr. Umphrey is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Texas, and has been licensed to practice in the State of Texas since 1965. He is also admitted to practice law before the United States Supreme Court; The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; United States District Courts for the Eastern, Southern, and Northern Districts of Texas; and all Texas state courts.
- 3. A Certificate of Good Standing from the United States Eastern District of Texas is attached to the Affidavit as Exhibit "B," evidencing that Mr. Umphrey is duly authorized to practice in said jurisdiction, and is in good standing therein, in accordance with the procedures of the Uniform Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Northern District and for the Southern District of Mississippi ("the Uniform Local Rules.")
- 4. Guy G. Fisher, Mississippi Bar No. 101291, of the firm of Provost \* Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P., is the attorney of record in these proceedings on behalf of Plaintiffs. Mr. Umphrey will be associated with Mr. Fisher in this particular action, as required by Uniform Local Rule No. 83.1. Mr. Fisher is a member in good standing of the Mississippi Bar and is admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, the Court in which this action is pending. Mr. Fisher will continue to be lead counsel for the Plaintiffs in this litigation. Mr. Fisher's address is:

Guy G. Fisher
Provost & Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P.
490 Park Street
Beaumont, Texas 77701
Telephone Number: 409-838-8825

Facsimile Number: 409-813-8625 E-mail: <u>gfisher@provostumphrey.com</u>

- 5. Mr. Umphrey has not been the subject of disciplinary action by the bars or courts of any jurisdiction in which he is licensed to practice.
- 6. Mr. Umphrey has certified that he has read and is familiar with the Uniform Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Northern District and the Southern District of Mississippi.
- 7. Mr. Umphrey is prepared to pay the *pro hac vice* admission fee upon his admission *pro hac vice*.
- 8. Mr. Umphrey has complied with all requirements of this Court to be admitted *pro hac* vice in this action as additional counsel for the Plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs Glenda Shows, Stephen P. Thompson and Patricia B. Thompson; Estate of Alfred Pepperman, deceased, David Pepperman, Executor; Craig Faron Troub and Marion Troub; Ted Thomas and Donna Thomas; Jeffrey Pickich; Ronald E. Nugent and Barbara P. Nugent; Charles J. Linkey and Joyce A. Linkey; Walton Jones and Penny Jones; Wayne Harbour; Paul Gloyer and Constance Gloyer; Alan Lipski; Sherrod Willette and Mary Willette and Chet Carter, respectfully requests that this Court issue its order admitting THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY pro hac vice as additional counsel for the Plaintiffs in the above styled and numbered cause, and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem proper in the premises.

THIS, the 30th day of May 2008.

Respectfully submitted,
PROVOST ★ UMPHREY LAW FIRM, L.L.P.

GUY G. FISHER 490 Park Street Beaumont, Texas 77701 (409) 835-6000 (409) 813-8625 fax Mississippi Bar No. 101291

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have on this date electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court using the ECF system which sent notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

DATED: May 30, 2008.

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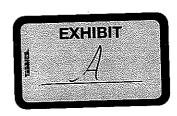
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#### AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY

### STATE OF TEXAS

### JEFFERSON COUNTY

THIS DAY personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the State and County aforesaid, the within named THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY, having been first sworn by me, upon his oath, states as follows:



- 1. My name is THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY. I am over eighteen (18) years of age, I am of sound mind and I understand the taking of an oath. I have personal knowledge of every statement made in this affidavit, all of which are true and correct, and I am fully competent and authorized to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 2. I am a member of Provost \* Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P. and am resident in its office in Beaumont, Texas. My office address is 490 Park Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701, telephone number 409-838-8848, facsimile number 409-838-8811.
- 3. I am a member in good standing of the Texas Bar, and have been licensed to practice in Texas since 1965. I am also admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court; The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; United States District Courts for the Eastern, Southern, and Northern Districts of Texas; and all Texas state courts. A certificate from United States District Court Eastern District of Texas is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by reference, evidencing that I am duly authorized to practice in said jurisdiction and am in good standing with said court.
- I am not currently, nor have I ever been, suspended or disbarred by any jurisdiction.

  I have not been the subject of disciplinary action by the bar or court of any jurisdiction.
  - 5. No criminal charges have been instituted against me.
- 6. I am associated with Guy G. Fisher also a member of the law firm of Provost \* Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P., resident in the firm's Beaumont, Texas office, in this particular action as required by Rule 83.1 of the *Uniform Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Northern District and the Southern District of Mississippi*. Mr. Fisher is a member in good standing of the Mississippi Bar (Bar No. 101291), and licensed to practice before this Honorable Court. Mr. Fisher is already an attorney of record in these proceedings on behalf of the Plaintiffs, Glenda Shows, Stephen P. Thompson and Patricia B. Thompson; Estate of Alfred Pepperman, deceased, David Pepperman,

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- 7. I certify that I have read and am familiar with the Uniform Local Rules of the Untied States District Courts for the Northern District and the Southern District of Mississippi.
  - 8. Should I be admitted pro hac vice, I am prepared to pay the pro hac vice admission fee.
- 9. I will continue to represent Glenda Shows, Stephen P. Thompson and Patricia B. Thompson; Estate of Alfred Pepperman, deceased, David Pepperman, Executor; Craig Faron Troub and Marion Troub; Ted Thomas and Donna Thomas; Jeffrey Pickich; Ronald E. Nugent and Barbara P. Nugent; Charles J. Linkey and Joyce A. Linkey; Walton Jones and Penny Jones; Wayne Harbour; Paul Gloyer and Constance Gloyer; Alan Lipski; Sherrod Willette and Mary Willette and Chet Carter in this cause until the final determination of this cause, and with reference to all matters incident to such cause, I consent to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Mississippi, of the disciplinary tribunals of the Mississippi Bar, and of the Mississippi Board of Bar Admissions in all respects as if I were a regularly admitted licensed member of the Mississippi Bar. With reference to all matters in this action, I consent to the jurisdiction of this Court as if I were regularly admitted to practice before it.
  - 10. And further, the Affiant sayeth not.

THIS, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, on this the 30th Day of May, 2008.

NOTARY PUBLICAN AND FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

My Commission Expires:



I Guy F. Fisher of the law firm of Provost \* Umphrey, L.L.P., do hereby certify that Provost \* Umphrey Law Firm, L.L.P. agrees to be associated with Thomas Walter Umphrey in the representation of Glenda Shows, Stephen P. Thompson and Patricia B. Thompson; Estate of Alfred Pepperman, deceased, David Pepperman, Executor; Craig Faron Troub and Marion Troub; Ted Thomas and Donna Thomas; Jeffrey Pickich; Ronald E. Nugent and Barbara P. Nugent; Charles J. Linkey and Joyce A. Linkey; Walton Jones and Penny Jones; Wayne Harbour; Paul Gloyer and Constance Gloyer; Alan Lipski; Sherrod Willette and Mary Willette and Chet Carter in the above-styled and numbered cause.

This, the 30th day of May 2008.

Guy G. Fisher



# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas

# Certificate of Good Standing

I, David J. Maland, Clerk of this Court, certify that

# THOMAS WALTER UMPHREY

was duly admitted to practice in this Court on

March 14, 1972, and is in good standing

as a member of the Bar of this Court.

Dated at Beaumont, Texas

Clerk of Court

David Malano

by Detoria &

Deputy Clerk

on May 23, 2008



