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12	FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE	CASE NO. 82174
13	ASSOCIATION,	CASE NO. 02174
14	Appellant,	
15	vs.	
16	WESTLAND LIBERTY VILLAGE, LLC, a	
17	Nevada limited liability company; and	
	WESTLAND VILLAGE SQUARE, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company,	
18	Dagnandanta	
19	Respondents.	
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21	MOTION TO ASSO	CIATE COUNCEI
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23	Intervenor Federal Housing Finance Ag	ency ("FHFA") hereby moves the Court for an
24	order permitting Michael A.F. Johnson, Esq., to	practice in Nevada pursuant to Nevada Supreme
25	Court Rule 42 (SCR 42). This motion is support	orted by the attached "Verified Application for
26	Association of Counsel" (Exhibit A), "Certifica	tes of Good Standing" from the Supreme Court
27	of Virginia and the District of Columbia Court o	f Appeals (Exhibit B), the State Bar of Nevada's
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1	Statement (Exhibit C) and the Affidavit of	Michael A.F. Johnson (Exhibit D).
2	DATED: April 6, 2021.	
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1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 2 Pursuant to NEFCR 9(b)(d)(e), I certify that on April 6, 2021, a true and correct copy of 3 4 the MOTION TO ASSOCIATE COUNSEL, was transmitted electronically through the 5 Court's e-filing system to the attorney(s) associated with this case. If electronic notice is not 6 indicated through the court's e-filing system, then a true and correct paper copy of the foregoing 7 document was delivered via U.S. Mail. 8 9 Kelly H. Dove, Esq. J. Colby Williams, Esq. Nathan G. Kanute, Esq. - Reno Philip R. Erwin, Esq. 10 Campbell & Williams Bob L. Olson, Esq. David L. Edelblute, Esq. 700 S. Seventh St. 11 Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. Las Vegas, NV 89101 3883 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 110 702-382-5222 12 Las Vegas, NV 89169 John Benedict, Esq. 13 The Law Offices of John Benedict Joseph G. Went, Esq. Lars K. Evensen, Esq. 2190 E. Pebble Road, Suite 260 14 Sydney R. Gambee, Esq. Las Vegas, NV 89123 Holland & Hart L.L.P. 15 9555 Hillwood Dr., 2nd Floor John W. Hofsaess, Esq. (Pro Hac Vice) Las Vegas, NV 89134 Westland Real Estate Group 16 520 W. Willow St. Attorneys for Appellant Federal National Long Beach, CA 90806 17 Mortgage Association Attorneys for Respondents Westland Liberty 18 Village, LLC and Westland Village Square 19 20 21 |s| Pamela Carmon 22 An Employee of Fennemore Craig, P.C. 23 24 25 26 27



Exhibit A

Exhibit A

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOC.,	No. <u>82174</u>		
v.) WESTLAND LIBERTY) VILLAGE, LLC, et al.)	VERIFIED APPI ASSOCIATION	LICATION FOR OF COUNSEL UNI EME COURT RULI	
Michael A.F. First Middle Name	Johnson , F e Last	etitioner, respectfull	y represents:
1. Petitioner resides at7203	7 Chestnut Street		
		Street Address	
Chevy Chase ,Mor	ntgomery		20815
City	County	State	Zip Code
(301) 656-2352 Telephone			
2. Petitioner is an attorney at law:	and a member of the	law firm of:	Arnold & Porter Kaye
Scholer LLP			
with offices at601 Massac	husetts Ave., NW		
	Street Address		
Washington City	, n/a County	, I State	D.C. , 20001 Zip Code
(202) 942-5783			apks.com
Telephone		Email	
3. Petitioner has been retained p	personally or as a m	nember of the above	named law firm by
The Federal Housing Finan	ce Agency to	provide legal	representation in
connection with the above-entitled	matter now pending	before the above refe	erenced court.

4. Since <u>December</u>	of 199	98,	peti	tion	er ha	s bee	en, an	d pre	sently	is, a	ı mem	ber of
good standing of the bar of the	highest	t c	court	of	the	State	of .	the	Distr	ict c	of Col	<u>umbia</u>
where petitioner regularly practices	s law.											
5. Petitioner was admitted to prac	tice befo	ore	the	follo	owing	g Un	ited S	tates	Distr	ict C	ourts,	United
States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the	he Supre	eme	e Co	urt (of the	Un	ited S	tates,	and/	or co	ourts o	f other
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7. Is Petitioner currently subject	t to any	di	iscip	linaı	ry pr	ocee	dings	by a	iny o	rgani	ization	with
authority at law? You must answ	er yes o	or	no.	If y	es, g	ive p	artic	ılars,	e.g.	cour	t, disc	ipline
authority, date, status: No						,						
	 											
8. Has Petitioner ever received p	oublic dis	sci	pline	e inc	cludir	ıg, b	ut no	t lim	ited t	o, su	spensi	on or
disbarment, by any organization w	ith autho	orit	ty to	disc	iplin	e atte	orney	s at la	aw? Y	ou r	nust aı	nswer
yes or no. If yes, give particulars, e	.g. court,	, di	iscip	line	autho	ority,	date,	statu	s:	No		

9. Has Petitioner eve	r had any certific	cate or privilege to appear a	nd practice before any
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10. Has Petitioner, eith	er by resignation,	withdrawal, or otherwise, ever	terminated or attempted
to terminate Petitioner	s office as an att	orney in order to avoid adm	inistrative, disciplinary,
disbarment, or suspension	on proceedings? Y	ou must answer yes or no. If ye	s, give particulars:
No			
11. Petitioner has filed	the following appl	lication(s) to appear as counsel	under Nevada Supreme
Court Rule 42 during th	ne past three (3) y	ears in the following matters, i	f none, indicate so: (do
not include Federal Pro			
		Title of Court	Was Application
Date of		Administrative Body	Granted or
Application	Cause	or Arbitrator	Denied?
See Attached			
(If nece	ssary, please attach	a statement of additional appli	cations)
12. Nevada Counsel of	Record for Petition	n in this matter is:	
(must be the same as the sign	nature on the Nevada Counse	el consent page)	
Leslie	Bryan	Hart	4932,
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	NV Bar #
who has offices at Fer			
	Firm 1	Name/Company	
7800 Rancharrah Parkway		, Reno	, Washoe,
Street Address		City	County
89511	, (775) 788-2	2200	.•
Zip Code	Phone	Number	

13. The following accurately represents the names and addresses of each party in this matter, WHETHER OR NOT REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, and the names and addresses of each counsel of record who appeared for said parties: (You may attach as an Exhibit if necessary.)

NAME	MAILING ADDRESSS
See Attached	

- 14. Petitioner agrees to comply with the provisions of Nevada Supreme Court Rule 42(3) and (13) and Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the State of Nevada in accordance with provisions as set forth in SCR 42(3) and (13). Petitioner respectfully requests that Petitioner be admitted to practice in the above-entitled court FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS MATTER ONLY.
- 15. Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.
- I, <u>Michael A.F. Johnson</u>, do hereby swear/affirm under penalty of perjury that the assertions of this application and the following statements are true:
 - 1) That I am the Petitioner in the above entitled matter.
- 2) That I have read Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 42 and meet all requirements contained therein, including, without limitation, the requirements set forth in SCR 42(2), as follows:
 - (A) I am not a member of the State Bar of Nevada;
 - (B) I am not a resident of the State of Nevada;
 - (C) I am not regularly employed as a lawyer in the State of Nevada;

- (D) I am not engaged in substantial business, professional, or other activities in the State of Nevada;
- (E) I am a member in good standing and eligible to practice before the bar of any jurisdiction of the United States; and
- (F) I have associated a lawyer who is an active member in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada as counsel of record in this action or proceeding.
- 3) That I have read the foregoing application and know the contents thereof; that the same is true of my own knowledge except as to those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to the matter I believe them to be true.

That I further certify that I am subject to the jurisdiction of the Courts and disciplinary boards of this state with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada; that I understand and shall comply with the standards of professional conduct required by members of the State Bar of Nevada; and that I am subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction to the State Bar of Nevada with respect to any of my actions occurring in the course of such appearance.

DATED this 25th day of Murch

, 2021

Petitioner/Affiant (blue ink)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.)

MONTGOMENY (MONTY)

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 25th day of March,

2021

Notary Public

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DESIGNATION, CERTIFICATION AND CONSENT OF NEVADA COUNSEL

SCR 42(14) Responsibilities of Nevada attorney of record.

- (a) The Nevada attorney of record shall be responsible for and actively participate in the representation of a client in any proceeding that is subject to this rule.
- (b) The Nevada attorney of record shall be present at all motions, pre-trials, or any matters in open court unless otherwise ordered by the court.
- (c) The Nevada attorney of record shall be responsible to the court, arbitrator, mediator, or administrative agency or governmental body for the administration of any proceeding that is subject to this rule and for compliance with all state and local rules of practice. It is the responsibility of Nevada counsel to ensure that the proceeding is tried and managed in accordance with all applicable Nevada procedural and ethical rules.
- I, Leslie Bryan Hart, hereby agree to associate with Petitioner referenced hereinabove

Print Nevada Counsel Name and further agree to perform all of the duties and responsibilities as required by Nevada Supreme Court Rule 42.

DATED this 23 day of 2021.

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Nevada Counsel of Record (blue ink)

STATE OF NEVADA) ss COUNTY OF WASHOE)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of ______, 2021

DIANA L WHEELEN
Notary Public, State of Nevada
Appointment No. 09-10074-2
My Appt. Expires May 7, 2021

Notary Public

QUESTION 5

Federal Court Admissions

Court	Admission Date	Active Status & Good Standing?	Bar Number
Supreme Court of the United States	October 5, 2009	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit	October 9, 2013	Yes	1160381
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit	April 16, 2014	Yes	No bar number assigned
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit	April 29, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit	February 28, 2005	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit	May 24, 2012	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit	April 12, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit	May 6, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit	July 30, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit	May 21, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit	November 30, 2012	Yes	54497
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit	January 15, 2004	Yes	Attorney Number 054356
U.S. Court of Federal Claims	February 26, 1998	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia	November 3, 2000	Yes	41588
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia	June 6, 2005	Yes	460879
U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland	February 5, 2007	Yes	16941
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan	January 31, 2012	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan	February 10, 2012	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin	October 9, 2012	Yes	No bar number assigned.
U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York	June 26, 2013	Yes	No bar number assigned.

State Court Admissions

Court	Date	Active Status & Good Standing?	Bar Number
District of Columbia Court of Appeals	December 7, 1998	Yes	460879
Supreme Court of Virginia	October 9, 1997	Yes	41588

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Date of Appl.	Cause	Title of Court Administrative Body or Arbitrator	Was Application Granted or Denied?
8/22/18	Federal National Mortgage Assoc, et al. v. Holm International Properties LLC, et al. Case No. 72933	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Granted
8/23/18	Saticoy Bay LLC Series Magic Mesa St Trust,, v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, Case No. 73627	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Denied w/o Prejudice
8/23/18	Saticoy Bay LLC Series 338 Flying Colt v. Nationstar Mortgage, LLC Case No. 72286	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Denied w/o Prejudice
12/10/18	Saticoy Bay LLC-Series 7549 Lintwhite St. v. Federal National Mortgage Assoc., et al. Case No. A-18-785034-C	District Court Clark County, Nevada	Granted
5/2/19	The Eagle and the Cross, LLC v. Bank of America, N.A., et al. Case No. 76305	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Granted
5/8/19	Chao Ma v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. Case No. 75398	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Granted
Filed contempor aneously with instant application	Federal National Mortgage Assoc. v. Westland Liberty Village, LLC, et al. Case No. 82174	Supreme Court of the State of Nevada	Pending
Filed contempor aneously with instant application	Federal National Mortgage Assoc. v. Westland Liberty Village, LLC, et al. Case No. A-20-819412-B	District Court Clark County, Nevada	Pending

QUESTION 13

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Exhibit B

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Supreme Court of Virginia

AT RICHMOND

Certificate

I, Douglas B. Robelen, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Virginia, do hereby certify that

Michael Alexander Johnson

was admitted to practice as an attorney and counsellor at the bar of this Court on October 27, 1997.

I further certify that so far as the records of this office are concerned, Michael Alexander Johnson is a member of the bar of this Court in good standing.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court

This 26th day of March

A.D. 2021

Deputy Clerk



On behalf of JULIO A. CASTILLO, Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, the District of Columbia Bar does hereby certify that

Michael A Johnson

was duly qualified and admitted on December 7, 1998 as an attorney and counselor entitled to practice before this Court; and is, on the date indicated below, a(n)

ACTIVE member in good standing of this Bar.

In Testimony Whereof,
I have hereunto subscribed my
name and affixed the seal of this
Court at the City of
Washington, D.C., on March
22, 2021.

JULIO A. CASTILLO Clerk of the Court

Issued By:

District of Columbia Bar Membership

Exhibit C

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STAT 1 2 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA 3 Case No. 82174 4 5 6 Federal National Mortgage Assoc. 7 VS. 8 Westland Liberty 9 Village, LLC 10 STATE BAR OF NEVADA STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 11 42(3)(b) 12 13 THE STATE BAR OF NEVADA, in response to the application of Petitioner, submits the following statement pursuant to SCR42(3): 14 SCR42(6) Discretion. The granting or denial of a motion to associate 15 counsel pursuant to this rule by the court is discretionary. court, arbitrator, mediator, or administrative or governmental 16 hearing officer may revoke the authority of the person permitted to 17 appear under this rule. Absent special circumstances, repeated appearances by any person or firm of attorneys pursuant to this rule 18 shall be cause for denial of the motion to associate such person. 19 It shall be presumed, absent special (a) Limitation. circumstances, and only upon showing of good cause, that 20 more than 5 appearances by any attorney granted under 21 this rule in a 3-year period is excessive use of this 22 (b) Burden on applicant. The applicant shall have the burden to establish special circumstances and good cause 23 for an appearance in excess of the limitation set forth in subsection 6(a) of this rule. The applicant shall set 24 forth the special circumstances and good cause in an

1. DATE OF APPLICATION: 3/30/2021

2. APPLYING ATTORNEY: Michael Alexander Johnson, Esq.

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affidavit attached to the original verified application.

- 3. FIRM NAME AND ADDRESS: Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer, LLP, 601 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001
- 4. NEVADA COUNSEL OF RECORD: Leslie B Hart, Esq., Fennemore Craig, P.C., 7800 Rancharrah Parkway, Reno, NV 89511
- 5. In addition to the present application, petitioner made the following previous applications within the last three years:

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3/29/2021	ADMISSION	PENDING						
5/7/2019	ADMISSION	STATUS 1	TOR	REPORTED	TO	THE	STATE	BAR
5/1/2019	ADMISSION	STATUS 1	TOL	REPORTED	TO	THE	STATE	BAR
12/6/2018	ADMISSION	GRANTED						
8/14/2018	ADMISSION	GRANTED						
8/14/2018	ADMISSION	DENIED						
8/14/2018	ADMISSION	GRANTED						
8/14/2018	ADMISSION	DENIED						

DATED this April 2, 2021

Suzy Moore

Member Services Admin. Pro Hac Vice Processor STATE BAR OF NEVADA

Exhibit D

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AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL A.F. JOHNSON (Nev. Sup. Ct. Case No. 82174)

I, Michael A.F. Johnson, being first duly sworn, do hereby swear under penalty of perjury

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3 STATE OF NEVADA) SS:

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COUNTY OF WASHOE

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the laws of the State of Nevada as follows:

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I am over the age of 21 years. The statements I offer in this affidavit are true and

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correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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2. I have personal knowledge of each of the matters stated herein and could testify

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competently to the same under oath in a court of law if called upon to do so.

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I submit this affidavit to support my Verified Application for Association of

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Counsel Under Supreme Court Rule 42.

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4. Supreme Court Rule 42(6)(a) provides, as a general rule, "that absent special

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circumstances, and only upon a showing of good cause, that more than 5 appearances by any

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attorney granted under this Rule in a 3-year period is excessive use of this rule." Supreme Court

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Rule 42(6)(b) provides that the applicant "shall have the burden to establish special

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circumstances and good cause for an appearance in excess of the limitation set forth in

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subsection 6(a) of this rule." The applicant shall set forth the special circumstances and good

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cause in an affidavit attached to the original verified application.

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5. I believe that special circumstances and good cause exist to support my

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appearance in this case.

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6. I am an attorney with the law firm of Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP, an

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international law firm acting as counsel for the Federal Housing Finance Agency ("FHFA").

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components of the national secondary mortgage market, including the Federal National

FHFA is an independent federal agency responsible for the oversight of vital

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Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation

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("Freddie Mac") (together, "the Enterprises").

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- 8. On September 6, 2008, FHFA's Director invoked the power granted FHFA under the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 ("HERA"), Pub. L. No. 110-289, 122 Stat. 2654, to place the Enterprises into conservatorships. See U.S.C. § 4617(a). Since then, FHFA has been each Enterprise's Conservator.
- 9. In its capacity as Conservator, FHFA succeeded to "all rights, titles, powers, and privileges" of the Enterprises and their respective stockholders, boards of directors and officers. See 12 U.S.C. § 4617(b)(2)(A)(i). Accordingly, the Conservator is authorized to participate, at its discretion, in litigation involving the Enterprises in a manner consistent with the conservator's duties.
- 10. I have appeared as counsel for FHFA in many cases that have been filed over the past six years in the Nevada Supreme Court, the District Courts of the State of Nevada, in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada and in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in which the Enterprises and other parties were litigating the interpretation and application of NRS 116.3116(2), which allows a HOA a limited super-priority lien security payment for past due HOA fees, and permits properly conducted foreclosures and public auctions to extinguish all other deed-of-trust interests. SFR Invs. Pool I, LLC v. U.S. Bank, NA., 334 P.3d 408 (Nev. 2014) ("the Chapter 116 Cases"). However, as the Nevada Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit have concluded, federal law precludes this result when the owner of the deed of trust is an Enterprise in FHFA conservatorship. See 12 U.S.C. § 4617(j)(3) ("No property" of the Conservator "shall be subject to ... foreclosure ... without the [FHFA's] consent."); id. § 4617(b)(2)(A)(i) (the Conservator succeeds to "all rights, titles, powers, and privileges" of the Enterprises). Berezovsky v. Moniz, --- F.3d ---, No. 16-15066, 2017 WL 3648519 (9th Cir. 2017) ("Berezovsky"); Elmer v. JPMorgan Chase Co., No. 15-17407, 2017 WL 3822061 (9th Cir. Aug. 31, 2017) (unpublished) ("Elmer"); Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. v. SFR Investments Pool 1, LLC, No. 16-15962 (9th Cir., June 25, 2018) (precedential ruling for publication) ("Federal Home Loan"); and Saticoy Bay LLC Series 9641 Christine View v. Federal National Mortgage Association, 134 Nev. Adv. Op. 36, __ Nev. ___ (2018).

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- 11. FHFA has retained Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP to coordinate and implement its legal strategy in the Chapter 116 Cases. I am the primary contact person at Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP for these matters. FHFA has retained Leslie Bryan Hart and the law firm of Fennemore Craig, P.C. to assist as local counsel in these cases.
- 12. In addition to appearing in Chapter 116 Cases in which FHFA is a party, FHFA has submitted amicus briefs in the Nevada Supreme Court in cases where FHFA is not a direct party but an Enterprise's property interest is at stake.
- 13. In the past three years I have submitted seven applications for pro hac vice admission in the Nevada Supreme Court, each of which has either been granted or denied without prejudice to be refiled if the Nevada Supreme Court holds oral argument in the respective case. A list of those cases is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. I have only filed two pro hac vice applications in any district court of the state of Nevada.
- 14. I have been admitted pro hac vice in the Nevada Supreme Court on 11 occasions, 7 of which were on applications submitted more than three years ago, all in Chapter 116 cases. I participated in oral argument in four of those cases—in Nationstar, Christine View, Green Tree and Holm International. In each instance, the Supreme Court permitted me to argue for FHFA as an amicus curiae, and in each instance and the Court ruled consistently with the position FHFA asserted. In my view, my participation in these cases, including at oral argument, assisted the Court.
- 15. Although the issues presented to this Court in the current case differ from those presented in the Chapter 116 Cases, all involve federal statutory powers and protections Congress granted FHFA in its capacity as conservator. Here, because FHFA is statutorily empowered as Conservator to "perform all [of Fannie Mae's] functions in [Fannie Mae's] name," 12 U.S.C. § 4617(b)(2)(B)(iii), and has succeeded to all rights, titles, powers, privileges, and assets of Fannie Mae, 12 U.S.C. § 4617(b)(2)(A)(i), the preliminary injunction entered earlier in this action implicates 12 U.S.C. § 4617(f), which mandates that "no court may take any action to restrain or affect the exercise of powers or functions of FHFA as a conservator."



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16. Granting this ap	oplication will serve judicial efficiency and save party resources as
FHFA has retained my firm a	nd me in connection with matters raised in this state and in other
states that similarly involve th	e interpretation of FHFA's governing statute and the scope of the
Conservator's authority under	federal law. Although Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP has a
group of attorneys working o	n the cases pending in the federal and state courts of Nevada, I
have been the FHFA's prince	cipal representative at numerous hearings in the United States
District Court for the District	of Nevada, and the Ninth Circuit, as well as other courts around
the country. FHFA respectfull	y requests that the Court find that special circumstances and good
cause exist to grant my applica	tion under Rule 42 in this case.

Based on the foregoing, I respectfully submit that special circumstances and good 17. cause exist to permit my appearance in this case.

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4	8/22/18	Federal National Mortgage Assoc, et	Supreme Court of the State	Granted
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3		LLC, et al.		
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8	8/23/18	Saticoy Bay LLC Series 338 Flying	Supreme Court of the State	Denied w/o
8		Colt v. Nationstar Mortgage, LLC	of Nevada	Prejudice
9	12/10/18	Case No. 72286 Saticoy Bay LLC-Series 7549	District Court	Granted
	12/10/18	Saticoy Bay LLC-Series 7549 Lintwhite St. v. Federal National	Clark County, Nevada	Granted
10		Mortgage Assoc., et al.	Chark County, 140 vada	
11		Case No. A-18-785034-C		
11	5/2/19	The Eagle and the Cross, LLC v.	Supreme Court of the State	Granted
12		Bank of America, N.A., et al. Case No. 76305	of Nevada	
10	5/8/19	Chao Ma v. JPMorgan Chase Bank,	Supreme Court of the State	Granted
13	3/0/19	N.A.	of Nevada	Granica
14		Case No. 75398		
	4/1/21	Federal National Mortgage Assoc. v.	District Court	Pending
15		Westland Liberty Village, LLC, et al. Case No. A-20-819412-B	Clark County, Nevada	
1.6	Filed	Federal National Mortgage Assoc. v.	Supreme Court of the State	
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