

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

-against-

ROBERT DURANT, ROBERT JOHNSON
LORI CAPORICCI, JAMES BENNETT,
TYDE, INC., and BEARCAT FINANCIAL
SERVICES, INC.,

Defendants.
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NOTICE OF MOTION
TO ADMIT COUNSEL
PRO HAC VICE

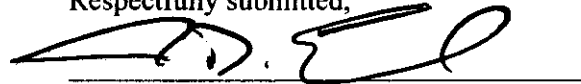
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TO: Mark K. Schonefeld, Esquire
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New York, NY 10281

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed affidavit of movant in support of this motion and the Certificates of Good Standing annexed thereto we will move this Court before the Honorable (Assigned Judge) at the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of New York, pursuant to Rule 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York for an Order allowing the admission of movant, a member of the firm of The Law Office of Robert D. Eckard and Associates, P.A. and a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Florida, as attorney pro hac vice to argue or try this case in whole or in part as counsel. There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against me in any State or Federal court.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: 5-9-08

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AFFIDAVIT OF
ROBERT D. ECKARD IN
SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
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08-CV-1539

State of New York)
) ss:
County of New York)

ROBERT D. ECKARD, being duly sworn, hereby deposes and says as follows:

1. I am a Partner with The Law Office of Robert D. Eckard and Associates, P.A.
2. I submit this affidavit in support of my motion for admission to practice pro hac vice in the above captioned matter.
3. As shown in the Certificates of Good Standing annexed hereto I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Florida, and the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida.
4. There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against me in any State or Federal Court.
5. Wherefore, your affiant respectfully submits that he be permitted to appear as counsel and advocate pro hac vice in this one case.



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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing was acknowledged before me this 4th day of May, 2008, by ROBERT D. ECKARD, who is personally known to me or ~~who has produced~~ _____ as identification and who ~~did~~ (did not) take an oath.


Notary Public Joni Butler



JONI BUTLER
MY COMMISSION # DD 625099
EXPIRES: December 16, 2010
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

AO 136 (Rev. 11/99) Certificate of Good Standing

United States District Court

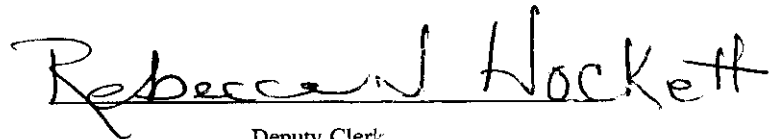
Middle District of Florida

**CERTIFICATE OF
GOOD STANDING**

I, SHERYL L. LOESCH, Clerk of this Court, certify that
ROBERT D. ECKARD, Bar No. #0162655, was duly admitted
to practice in this court on June 16, 2000, and is in good
standing as a member of the Bar of this Court.

Dated at Tampa, Florida on May 1, 2008

SHERYL L. LOESCH, CLERK


Deputy Clerk



The Florida Bar

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the duly appointed custodian of membership records of The Florida Bar.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the records in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida indicate that said attorney was admitted to practice law in the State of Florida on April 12, 1999.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the records in the office of The Florida Bar indicate that the above attorney is a member of The Florida Bar in good standing.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2008.

Willie Mae Shepherd
Supervisor, Membership Records
The Florida Bar

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