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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, Request for a General Rate Revision.

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Petitioner,

v.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON,

Respondent.

and

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS, OREGON CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD, COALITION OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, CLIMATE SOLUTIONS, VERDE, COLUMBIA RIVERKEEPER, OREGON ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL, COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT, AND SIERRA CLUB,

Intervenors Below.

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Docket No. UG 490

Court of Appeals Case No. A186401

**PETITIONER'S MOTION –  
OUT-OF-STATE COUNSEL**


Pursuant to ORAP 8.10(4) and UTCR 3.170, petitioner Northwest Natural Gas Company (“Petitioner”) moves for an order admitting Jonathan Mark Little as out-of-state counsel, *pro hac vice*, for Petitioner. This motion is supported by the Certificate of Compliance for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission attached hereto. Petitioner conferred with counsel for Respondent Public Utility Commission of Oregon, and Respondent does not object to this motion.

Mr. Little's contact information is as follows:

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Dated: January 28, 2025.

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In re: Jonathan Mark Little  
Name of Out-of-State Attorney )

**Certificate of Compliance  
For Pro Hac Vice Admission**

I, Jonathan Mark Little (print name), am an attorney in the State(s) Texas  
and I intend to seek *pro hac vice* admission in accordance with ORS 9.241 and UTCR 3.170 in the following Oregon court action or proceeding:

Case Name: Northwest Natural Gas Company v. Public Utility Commission of Oregon

Court: Court of Appeals of Oregon Case No.: A186401

I certify that (check all that apply):

- I am an attorney in good standing in the following State(s) Texas, as evidenced by the attached good standing certificates issued by the licensing authority in the state(s).
- I am not subject to any pending disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdiction; or
- I am subject to pending disciplinary proceedings in another jurisdiction, the nature and status of which are described in an attachment to this certificate.
- I intend to associate in the above-referenced action or proceeding with Jocelyn C. Pease, OSB No. 102065, an active member in good standing of the Oregon State Bar, who will participate meaningfully in the matter.
- I will comply with applicable statutes, laws, and procedural rules of the State of Oregon; be familiar with and comply with disciplinary rules of the Oregon State Bar; and submit to the jurisdiction of the Oregon courts and Oregon State Bar with respect to acts and omissions occurring during my *pro hac vice* admission.
- My private law practice activities in Oregon are covered by professional liability insurance substantially equivalent to the Oregon State Bar Professional Liability Fund plan, as evidenced by the attached certificate of insurance coverage.
- I agree, as a continuing obligation of *pro hac vice* admission, to notify the trial court promptly of any changes in my insurance coverage, or my admission or disciplinary status in any other jurisdiction.
- I will provide to the Oregon State Bar a copy of the order admitting me *pro hac vice* in the above-referenced matter when such an order is granted. In the event *pro hac vice* admission is revoked for any reason, I will promptly notify the Oregon State Bar.
- I submit \$500 to the Oregon State Bar (Order no. 348029) as payment of the *pro hac vice* fee established by ORS 9.241 and the rules of the Oregon Supreme Court. I acknowledge that this fee is for a period of twelve months from the date of the Acknowledgment of Receipt issued below, and that an additional fee of \$500 will be required in order for me to continue my *pro hac vice* admission in the matter for every twelve-month period thereafter.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2025.

X /s/ Jonathan Mark Little  
(Applicant Signature)

Texas Bar No.: 24078869  
(Home Jurisdiction)

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### Acknowledgment of Receipt

As Director of Regulatory Services of the Oregon State Bar, I acknowledge receipt from the above-named out-of-state attorney of the Certificate of Compliance for Pro Hac Vice Admission and attachments, and the \$500 fee for pro hac vice appearance in the above-referenced Oregon action or proceeding. The fee is for a period of twelve months from the date of this acknowledgment.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2025.

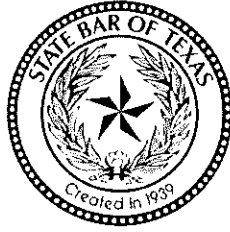
SEE MATERIALS ATTACHED:

Sarra Yamin  
Sarra Yamin, Regulatory Counsel

Note: the professional liability coverage deductible substantially exceeds that of the PLF.

Oregon State Bar Regulatory Services, PO Box 231935, Tigard, OR 97281-1935

# STATE BAR OF TEXAS



*Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel*

December 03, 2024

Re: Jonathan Mark Little, State Bar Number 24078869

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Jonathan Mark Little was licensed to practice law in Texas on November 04, 2011, and is an active member in good standing with the State Bar of Texas. "Good standing" means that the attorney is current on payment of Bar dues; has met Minimum Continuing Legal Education requirements; and is not presently under either administrative or disciplinary suspension from the practice of law.

Our records reflect there are no pending grievances at this time.

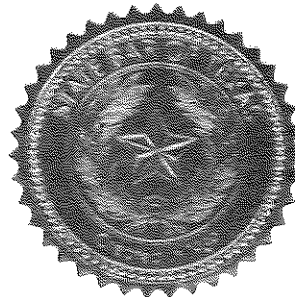
No previous disciplinary sanctions have been entered against the attorney's law license.

This certification expires 30 days from the date, unless sooner revoked or rendered invalid by operation of rule or law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Seana Willing".

Seana Willing  
Chief Disciplinary Counsel  
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# The Supreme Court of Texas

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CLERK'S OFFICE

I, **BLAKE HAWTHORNE**, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas, certify that the records of this office show that

**Jonathan Mark Little**

was duly admitted and licensed as an attorney and counselor at law by the Supreme Court of Texas on the 4th day of November, 2011.

I further certify that the records of this office show that, as of this date

**Jonathan Mark Little**


is presently enrolled with the State Bar of Texas as an active member in good standing.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF** witness my signature



and the seal of the Supreme Court of  
Texas at the City of Austin, this, the  
3rd day of December, 2024.

BLAKE HAWTHORNE, Clerk



Clerk, Supreme Court of Texas

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January 21, 2025

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To Whom It May Concern:

### CONFIRMATION OF INSURANCE

We hereby confirm that Baker Botts L.L.P. and Mark Little have Professional Liability Coverage under Policy LPL-1003-2025 with an annual limit of \$50,000,000 per claim and \$100,000,000 in the aggregate with the right, under stated conditions, to purchase extended reporting rights upon termination of such Policy by ALAS.

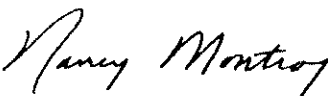
The self-insured retention under such Policy is \$4,000,000 each claim up to an aggregate of \$8,000,000 and \$100,000 each claim thereafter.

The Policy effective date is from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2026.

The Policy is a claims-made policy and covers professional services rendered in the State of Oregon.

Such Policy is subject to the terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions stated therein.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing **PETITIONER'S MOTION – OUT-OF-STATE COUNSEL**, on January 28, 2025, on the parties lists below in the manner indicated:

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