## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Nexus Communications, Inc.,

Complainant,

v.

Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a AT&T Missouri,

Respondent.

File No. TC-2011-0132

## ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

Issue Date: January 3, 2011

Effective Date: January 3, 2011

The Missouri Public Service Commission is granting the *Petition for Admission Pro Hac Vice* ("motion"). Counsel for Nexus Communications, Inc., ("Nexus") filed the motion on December 6, 2010. No party filed a response within the time allowed by regulation.<sup>1</sup>

The motion seeks an order granting "leave to be permitted to appear and participate in"<sup>2</sup> this action on Nexus' behalf. Such representation constitutes the practice of law,<sup>3</sup> which is subject to the exclusive governance of the Missouri Supreme Court.<sup>4</sup> The Missouri Supreme Court requires executive branch agencies to police the court's determinations,<sup>5</sup> which the Commission does through 4 CSR 240-2.040(3)(C), which tracks Missouri Supreme Court Rule 9.03.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 4 CSR 240-2.080(15).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Reed v. Labor and Industrial Relations,* 789 SW2d 19, 21 (Mo. banc 1990).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Mo. Const., Art. V, Section 5, first sentence; *Hulse v. Criger*, 363 Mo. 26, 247 S.W.2d 855, 857 (Mo. banc 1952).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Reed*, 789 SW2d at 24.

The motion meets the requirements of the rule and the regulation. The motion also shows compliance with Missouri Supreme Court Rule 6.01(m), which relates to the required admission fee. Therefore, the Commission will grant the motion.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Petition for Admission Pro Hac Vice is granted.
- 2. Visiting counsel is granted leave to be permitted to appear and participate

on behalf of Nexus Communications, Inc.

3. This order is effective immediately upon issuance.

## BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2011.

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge