

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company's Request for Authority to Implement)
A General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer)
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.)

Case No. WR-2022-0303

**PETITION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE
OF HILLARY J. CLOSE**

COMES NOW Hillary J. Close, pursuant to Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.040(3)(C) and Missouri Supreme Court Rules 6.01(n) and 9.03, and petitions the Commission for leave to appear *pro hac vice* and participate in the above-captioned matter as co-counsel for Missouri-American Water Company (“MAWC”). In support of this petition, I respectfully state the following:

1. I am employed by Barnes & Thornburg LLP, a law firm with a business address of 11 South Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.
2. I am a member in good standing of the Indiana Bar and I am authorized to practice before all courts within that jurisdiction. My bar number is 25104-49, and I was admitted to the bar on October 18, 2004.
3. I am also a member in good standing of the Illinois Bar and I am authorized to practice before all courts within that jurisdiction. My bar number is 6279845 and I was admitted on November 6, 2003.
4. I am not under suspension or disbarment in any state, and to the best of my knowledge, no other attorney employed by and practicing at Barnes & Thornburg LLP is disqualified to appear before any court.
5. I agree to comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth in Missouri

Supreme Court Rule 4 and acknowledge that I am subject to discipline by the courts of this State so long as I am practicing in this State.

6. For the duration of the above-captioned matter, I agree to associate myself with the following attorney:

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Mr. Cooper is a resident attorney and member in good standing of the Missouri Bar. He will continue to also serve as counsel for Missouri-American Water Company in this matter.

7. Pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court Rule 6.01(n), a fee of \$410.00 has been paid to the Clerk of the Missouri Supreme Court as shown in the attached receipt.

WHEREFORE, I request an Order from the Commission granting leave to appear *pro hac vice* and participate as co-counsel for Missouri-American Water Company in the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail, on February 8, 2023, to counsel for all parties.

//S// Dean L. Cooper



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This will hereby acknowledge receipt of \$410.00 as required by Rule 6.01(n) for Hillary J. Close, appearing In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase, Case No. WR-2022-0303, before the Public Service Commission, State of Missouri.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betsy AuBuchon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "B".

Betsy AuBuchon, Clerk