

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Lindenwood University,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>File No. EC-2022-0159</u>
)	
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren)	
Missouri,)	
)	
Respondent)	

NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

Issue Date: December 14, 2021

On December 14, 2021, Lindenwood University filed a complaint against Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri. Lindenwood University's complaint is signed by Rick Baniak and Jeffrey Mishkin. Neither Mr. Baniak nor Mr. Mishkin are identified as an attorney licensed to practice law in Missouri or any other state.

Missouri statute Section 484.020, RSMo 2016, restricts the practice of law to licensed attorneys. Consequently, Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.040(5), requires pleadings filed with the Commission to be signed by an attorney authorized to practice law in Missouri unless the entity signing the pleading is a natural person acting solely on his or her own behalf and representing only him or herself.¹ Lindenwood University's complaint is signed by Mr. Baniak and Mr. Mishkin, neither of whom is identified as an attorney licensed to practice in Missouri. The present complaint is filed on behalf of the

¹ See also *Clark v. Austin*, 340 Mo 467, 101 S.W. 2d 977 (Mo 1937); *Reed v. Labor and Indus. Relations Com'n*, 789 S.W.2d 19 (Mo 1990).

corporation, Lindenwood University, rather than by Mr. Baniak or Mr. Mishkin as a natural person on their own behalf.

Therefore, Lindenwood University's filing is deficient and the Commission cannot take action on this complaint until these deficiencies are corrected. The Commission will leave the file open until January 14, 2022, to allow Lindenwood University to correct the deficiency. If no response is filed by that time, the Commission will reject the filing and close the file.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 14th day of December, 2021.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 14th day of December, 2021.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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