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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

10 **United States of America,**

Court Case No.: 1:22-mj-207

11 Plaintiff,

12 vs.

**MOTION TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE.
DECLARATION IN SUPPORT THEREOF
AND PROPOSED ORDER**

13 **Melanie Christine Belger,**

14 Defendant.
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17 **MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF ATTORNEY *PRO HAC VICE***

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19 Pursuant to **L.Cr.R. 44.1 (c)**, Defendant, Melanie Christine Belger, moves for the
20 admission and appearance of attorney Jeffrey D. Kent pro hac vice in the above-entitled action.

21 This motion is supported by the Declaration of Jeffrey D. Kent, filed herewith. As set forth in Mr.
22 Kent's declaration, he is admitted and an active member in good standing the following courts and
23 bars: the California Bar, United States Supreme Court, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S.
24 District Court for the Central District of California, the U.S. District Court for the Southern
25 District of California, and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California. This
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1 motion is supported and signed by Manuel J. Retureta, an active and sponsoring member of the
2 Bar of this Court.

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5 Dated this 30th day of September 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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13 Defendant.

**DECLARATION OF JEFFREY D. KENT
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR
ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

14 **MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF ATTORNEY *PRO HAC VICE***

15 I, Jeffrey D. Kent, hereby declare:

- 16 1. My name, office address, and telephone number are as follows:

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- 22 2. I have been admitted to the following courts and bars:

23 Supreme Court of California (Dec. 14, 1992) (Cal. Bar No. 162237)

24 United States Supreme Court (Feb. 20, 1996)

25 Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (March 10, 1995)

26 U.S. District Court for the Central District of California (April 15, 1993)

1 U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California (March 3, 1995)

2 U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California (August 20, 1993)

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- 5 3. I am currently in good standing with all states, courts, and bars in which I am admitted.
- 6 4. I have not previously been admitted *pro hac vice* in this Court.
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- 8 5. I do not have an office located within the District of Columbia.
- 9 6. I have never been disciplined by any bar, and I have attached a Certificate of Good Standing
- 10 from my local jurisdiction.

11 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in

12 Fullerton, California, this 30th day of September, 2022.

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14 Respectfully submitted,

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[PROPOSED] ORDER

vs.

Melanie Christine Belger,

Defendant.

**[DEFENDANT’S PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF
ATTORNEY JEFFREY D. KENT *PRO HAC VICE***

The Court has reviewed the Defendant’s motion for admission of attorney Jeffrey D. Kent *pro hac vice*. Upon consideration of that motion, the Court grants attorney Jeffrey D. Kent *pro hac vice* admission to this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: _____

United States District Judge