

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	§	
COMMISSION,	§	
	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	Civil Action No. 3:16-CV-1735-D
VS.	§	
	§	
CHRISTOPHER A. FAULKNER, et al.,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

ORDER


PDM Holdings, LLC (“PDM”) has filed an August 14, 2019 request for permission to file a motion and supplemental declaration and a request for an order directing the receiver to treat PDM as a secured creditor of defendant. The request is signed by PDM’s manager, Paula D. Morris. Although the pleading does not contain the information required by local civil rule of a licensed attorney, it appears from the State Bar of Texas website that Morris is an attorney licensed to practice in Texas. This is important, of course, because in federal court an entity like an LLC is not permitted to proceed *pro se*. It is a “well-settled rule of law that a corporation cannot appear in federal court unless represented by a licensed attorney.” *Memon v. Allied Domecq QSR*, 385 F.3d 871, 873 (5th Cir. 2004) (per curiam).

Accordingly, within 14 days of the date this order is filed, Morris must either move for admission to the bar of this court or must move for leave to appear *pro hac vice*. Given the nature

of PDM's filing, the court will excuse PDM from the local counsel requirement pending further court order.

SO ORDERED.

August 15, 2019.



SIDNEY A. FITZWATER
SENIOR JUDGE