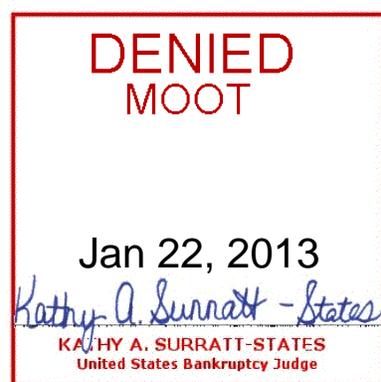


IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



IN RE:

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.

CASE NO.: 12-12900

DEBTOR,

CHAPTER 11

(Jointly Administered)

MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO PRACTICE, *PRO HAC VICE*

I, Christopher Sax Smith, request admission, *pro hac vice*, before the Honorable Shelly C. Chapman, to represent Shonk Land Company LLC, Creditor, in the above referenced case.

I certify that I am a member in good standing of the bar in the State of West Virginia, and that I am also admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York.

I have submitted the filing fee of \$200.00 with this motion for *pro hac vice* admission.

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ORDER GRANTING ADMISSION TO PRACTICE, *PRO HAC VICE*

Upon the motion of Christopher Sax Smith to be admitted, *pro hac vice*, to represent Shonk Land Company LLC, (the “Client”) in the above referenced case, and upon the movant’s certification that the movant is a member in good standing of the bar in the State of West Virginia, it is hereby

ORDERED, that Christopher Sax Smith, Esq., is admitted to practice, *pro hac vice*, in the above reference case to represent the Client, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, provided that the filing fee has been paid.

Dated: _____

_____, New York

/s/ _____

HONORABLE SHELLEY C. CHAPMAN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE