

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
Charlotte Division**

IN RE:

BRD LAND & INVESTMENT, et al.¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 26-30215

(Joint Administration Pending)

MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE FOR ESTHER MCKEAN

NOW COMES Louis G. Spencer, an attorney and member in good standing of the North Carolina bar and admitted to practice before this Court and, pursuant to the admission requirements of Local Rule 2090-2(b) of this Court and Local Rule 83.1 of the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, moves this Court for admittance pro hac vice of Esther McKean (“Applicant”) for the purposes of representing DLP Lending Fund LLC (“DLP Lending”) and DLP Capital Lending CH LLC (“DLP LendingCH”) (DLP Lending and DLP LendingCH collectively referred to as (“DLP”)), in the above captioned case. In support of this Motion, the undersigned states as follows:

1. The Applicant is a partner with the law firm of Akerman LLP, 420 South Orange Avenue, Suite 1200, Orlando, FL 32801. Ms. McKean’s phone number is (407) 423-4000. Ms. McKean’s email address is esther.mckean@akerman.com.

2. The Applicant is admitted to practice in the States of Florida and Texas and specifically in the following courts:



<u>Court:</u>	<u>Admission date:</u>
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit	1/18/2008
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida	12/1/2006
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida	12/4/2006
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida	2/12/2007
Western District of Oklahoma	2020
Southern District of Texas	3/18/2021
Northern District of Texas	4/2/2021
Eastern District of Texas	3/22/2021

3. The applicant is not a member of the North Carolina State Bar and does not maintain a law office in North Carolina.

4. The Applicant has not been disciplined by any court or administrative body and does not have any pending disciplinary proceedings. Further, the Applicant has never had a *pro hac vice* admission or admission in any other bar revoked.

5. The Applicant understands *pro hac vice* admission is for this case only and does not constitute formal admission to the bar of this Court.

6. The undersigned movant will serve as co-counsel in this proceeding and will attend all hearings with the Applicant unless otherwise permitted by the Court.

7. The filing fee is being submitted with the filing of this Motion.

8. The Declaration of Applicant in support of this Motion is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned movant respectfully requests that this Court enter an order admitting Esther McKean *pro hac vice* in this matter.

Dated: March 2, 2026.

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**DECLARATION OF ESTHER MCKEAN IN SUPPORT
OF MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

I, ESTHER MCKEAN, hereby state as follows:

1. I am a partner with the law firm of Akerman LLP, 420 South Orange Avenue, Suite 1200, Orlando, FL 32801. My phone number is (407) 423-4000. My email address is esther.mckean@akerman.com.

1. I am admitted to practice in the States of Florida and Texas and specifically in the following courts:

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2. I have read the Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* being filed contemporaneously herewith and know the contents thereof, and the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

3. I have never been disbarred or suspended in any court where I am admitted to practice.

4. I have not been, and am not currently, the subject of disciplinary action by the bar or courts of any state.

5. I have obtained and reviewed a copy of the Local Rules of this Court and am generally familiar with such rules.

6. I agree to be bound by the rules of this Court, and I submit to the disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court for any alleged misconduct which occurs in the preparation or course of this action.

7. I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: February 28, 2026

/s/ Esther McKean
Esther McKean

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ORDER ALLOWING ESTHER MCKEAN TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE

THIS MATTER having come before the undersigned Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina, Charlotte Division, upon the Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice (the "Motion") filed by Louis G. Spencer for the admission pro hac vice of Esther McKean, to practice in this Court for the purposes of representing DLP Lending Fund LLC and DLP Capital Lending CH LLC; and it appearing to the Court, and the Court so finding that, for good cause shown, the Motion should be granted;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT, pursuant to Rule 2090-2 of the Local Rules and Practice and Procedure of this Court, Esther McKean, be and hereby is admitted pro hac vice to practice in this Court in this case.

This Order has been signed electronically. The Judge's signature and Court's seal appear at the top of the order.

United States Bankruptcy Court