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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MINGO COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS COURT DIVISION

DEBRA BISHOP, as Executor of the Estate of Dallas Runyon, and DAVID E. RUNYON,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No.: 17-C-108 Presiding: Judge Akers Resolution: Judge Wilkes

CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF WEST VIRGINIA d/b/a FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF WEST VIRGINIA, FRONTIER WEST VIRGINIA, INC., and APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY,

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF JASON A. SHAFFER

The matter before the Court is the Motion of Defendants, Citizens Telecommunications Company of West Virginia d/b/a Frontier Communications of West Virginia and Frontier West Virginia, Inc. for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Jason A. Shaffer, pursuant to Rule 8.0 of the West Virginia Rules for Admission to the Practice of Law. Because the Motion and Verified Statement are in compliance with Rule 8.0 and because Robert L. Massie, an attorney duly admitted to practice before this Court, or other qualified members of his law firm, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP, have endorsed the admission *pro hac vice* of Jason A. Shaffer, and represented that they will be the responsible local attorney as required by Rule 8.0, the Court is of the opinion that the Motion should be granted.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that Jason A. Shaffer, be admitted to the practice of law in West Virginia for the sole and limited purpose of participating as co-counsel for the Defendants, Citizens Telecommunications Company of West Virginia d/b/a Frontier Communications of West Virginia and Frontier West Virginia, Inc. in the present civil action.

It is further **ORDERED**, pursuant to Rule 8.0 of the West Virginia Rules for Admission to the Practice of Law, that the responsible local attorney or another attorney with the law firm of Nelson Mullins Riley Scarborough, LLP, shall be required to sign all pleadings and affix the attorney's West Virginia State Bar ID number thereto and required to attend all hearings, trials or proceedings actually conducted before the judge, tribunal or other body of the State of West Virginia for which the applicant has sought admission *pro hac vice*. The local attorney shall further attend the taking of depositions and other actions that occur in the proceedings which are not actually conducted before the judge, tribunal or other body of the State of West Virginia for which the applicant has sought admission *pro hac vice*, and shall be a responsible attorney in the matter in all other respects.

Entered this ________day of April, 2022.

Hon. Maryclaire Akers

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