

NO. 16-0682

In the Supreme Court of Texas

In re Andrew Silver,
Relator.

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING FROM CAUSE No. DC-15-02268
IN THE 134TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

**MOTION OF SHAWN BLACKBURN
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION OF LOUIS J. HOFFMAN FOR
*ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE***

Louis J. Hoffman, an out-of-state attorney, has filed a motion for admission *pro hac vice* to appear in this Court as counsel for *amicus curiae* National Association of Patent Practitioners, Inc. in this matter. Shawn Blackburn (Texas Bar No. 24089989) files this motion in support of Mr. Hoffman's motion.

In this matter, Mr. Hoffman will be associated with Mr. Blackburn. Mr. Blackburn's contact information is:

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Under penalty of perjury, Mr. Blackburn makes the following statements:

- (1) Mr. Blackburn is an active member of the State Bar of Texas.
- (2) Mr. Blackburn is lead counsel for National Association of Patent Practitioners, Inc.
- (3) Mr. Blackburn finds that Mr. Hoffman to be a reputable attorney and therefore recommends that the Court grant his request to appear *pro hac vice* in this matter.

THEREFORE, Mr. Shawn Blackburn respectfully requests that the Court grant the motion of Louis J. Hoffman to appear *pro hac vice* as counsel for *amicus curiae* National Association of Patent Practitioners, Inc. in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Shawn Blackburn

CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

I hereby certify that counsel for National Association of Patent Practitioners, Inc. has conferred with counsel for Relator and counsel for Real-Party-in-Interest and that counsel for all parties have indicated that they are not opposed to this motion.

/s/ Shawn Blackburn

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 24, 2017 a true and correct copy of this brief was served on the following counsel of record through an authorized electronic service provider:

Counsel for Petitioners and
Respondents

/s/ Shawn Blackburn