

citizenship of its members.” *Cosgrove v. Bartolotta*, 150 F.3d 729, 731 (7th Cir. 1998).

Accordingly, the Court must be informed of the name and citizenship of each member of Regal Assets, LLC, tracing such citizenship through all applicable layers of ownership to ensure that none of the members share a common citizenship with Plaintiff. *See Meyerson v. Harrah’s E. Chi. Casino*, 299 F.3d 616, 617 (7th Cir. 2002) (“[C]itizenship of unincorporated associations must be traced through however many layers of partners or members there may be.” (citations omitted)).

Plaintiff alleges that Defendant Kingdom Trust Company “is headquartered in Kentucky, and is presumed to be [a] Kentucky company.” (ECF 1 ¶ 6). This allegation is insufficient, as Plaintiff must set forth what type of “company” this Defendant is. If Kingdom Trust Company is a corporation, then it is considered a citizen of the state by which it is incorporated and the state where it has its principal place of business. 28 U.S.C. § 1332(c)(1); *N. Tr. Co. v. Bunge Corp.*, 899 F.2d 591, 594 (7th Cir. 1990). If Kingdom Trust Company is a limited liability company or unincorporated association, then it has the citizenship of each of its members or owners. *See Cosgrove*, 150 F.3d at 731; *Meyerson*, 299 F.3d at 617.

Further, Plaintiff’s allegations about each Defendant’s citizenship state that he has “presumed” certain information. (ECF 1 ¶¶ 5, 6). However, “[a]llegations of federal subject matter jurisdiction may not be made on the basis of information and belief, only personal knowledge.” *Yount v. Shashek*, 472 F. Supp. 2d 1055, 1057 n.1 (S.D. Ill. 2006) (citations omitted) (collecting cases).

As the party seeking to invoke federal diversity jurisdiction, Plaintiff bears the burden of demonstrating that the requirement of complete diversity has been met. *Chase v. Shop ‘N Save*

Warehouse Foods, Inc., 110 F.3d 424, 427 (7th Cir. 1997). Here, he has not yet carried that burden. Therefore, Plaintiff is AFFORDED to and including October 21, 2022, to file a supplemental statement that adequately articulates each party's citizenship for diversity jurisdiction purposes.

SO ORDERED.

Entered this 7th day of October 2022.

S/PAUL R. CHERRY

/s/
Paul R. Cherry
United States Magistrate Judge