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11   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

12   DISTRICT OF NEVADA

13 FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,   Case No. 2:12-cv-00536-GMN-VCF

14   Plaintiff,   **MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW
                                       SANJAY BHANDARI AS COUNSEL OF
15   v.   RECORD**

    AMG SERVICES, INC., et al.,
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                   Defendants, and
17 PARK 269 LLC, et al.,

18   Relief Defendants.

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20   Pursuant to LR IA 11-6, Thomas W. McNamara, the Court-Appointed Monitor, by and

21 through his attorney of record, hereby moves this Court for an Order permitting Sanjay Bhandari

22 to withdraw as counsel in the above-captioned case due to his departure from the firm

23 McNamara Smith LLP. This motion is supported by the accompanying memorandum of points

24 and authorities and all pleadings and papers on file in this action.

25   **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

26   As of October 5, 2021, Sanjay Bhandari is no longer associated with McNamara Smith

27 LLP. LR IA 11-6(b) provides that "[i]f an attorney seeks to withdraw after appearing in a case,

28 the attorney must file a motion or stipulation and serve it on the affected client and opposing

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counsel." Thomas W. McNamara has consented to Mr. Bhandari's withdrawal. By electronically filing this motion, it will be served via the Court's CM/ECF system.

Additionally, "[e]xcept for good cause shown, no withdrawal or substitution will be approved if it will result in delay of discovery, the trial, or any hearing in the case." LR IA 11-6(e). The withdrawal of Mr. Bhandari will not result in delay of discovery, the trial, or any hearing in the case. Maria A. Gall of Ballard Spahr LLP and Logan D. Smith of McNamara Smith LLP will continue to act as counsel for Mr. McNamara.

For the reasons set forth above, the Monitor respectfully requests the Court enter an order granting leave for Sanjay Bhandari to withdraw as counsel of record for Thomas W. McNamara. Additionally, Mr. Bhandari should be removed from all future mailings and notices with respect to this case.
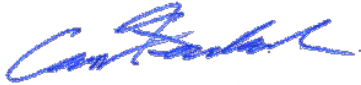
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IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Cam Ferenbach
United States Magistrate Judge

DATED __10-18-2021_____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 11th day of October, 2021, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(b), I served via CM/ECF or delivered by email and mailing in the U.S. Mail a true and correct copy of the foregoing **MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW SANJAY BHANDARI AS COUNSEL OF RECORD**, postage prepaid and addressed to the following:

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