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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

STATE OF NEVADA)
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 Plaintiff(s),)
 vs.)
 OPTUM, INC., et al.)
)
 Defendant(s).)
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Case #2:24-cv-00493-RFB-DJA

**VERIFIED PETITION FOR
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT
AND DESIGNATION OF
LOCAL COUNSEL**

FILING FEE IS \$250.00

Alexander Akerman, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:
(name of petitioner)

1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of

ALSTON & BIRD LLP

(firm name)

with offices at _____, 350 South Grand Avenue, 51st Floor
(street address)

_____, _____, _____, 90071
(city) (state) (zip code)

_____, _____
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by
Optum, Inc.; OptumRx, Inc.; OptumInsight, Inc.; OptumInsight Life
Sciences, Inc.; UnitedHealth Group Inc.; and The Lewin Group, Inc. to provide legal representation in connection with
[client(s)]

the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

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3. That since December 1, 2011, Petitioner has been and presently is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State of California where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.

4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good standing of the bars of said Courts.

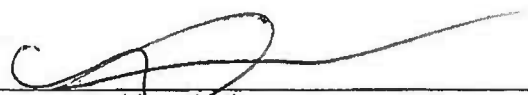
Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
Central District of California	June 6, 2012	CA Bar 280308
Northern District of California	May 22, 2012	CA Bar 280308
Southern District of California	January 3, 2013	CA Bar 280308
Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals	2019	CA Bar 2803088
United States Supreme Court	August 2, 2021	CA Bar 280308

5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner, nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

None

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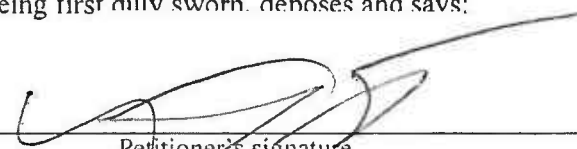
That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.



Petitioner's signature

STATE OF California)
COUNTY OF Los Angeles)

Alexander Akerman, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:
That the foregoing statements are true.



Petitioner's signature

~~Subscribed and sworn to before me this~~

~~_____

Notary Public or Clerk of Court~~

Please see attached for California-compliant jurat. (Cal. Gov't Code § 8202)

DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate Ryan Gormley, (name of local counsel) Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of said designated Nevada counsel is:

Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial, 6385 South Rainbow Boulevard,
(street address)
Las Vegas, Nevada, 89118,
(city) (state) (zip code)
702-938-3813, RGormley@wwhdg.com,
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

1 By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes
2 agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations
3 binding on all of us.
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5 **APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL**

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7 The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) Ryan Gormley as
8 his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.
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10 *John Kokkinen*
11 (party's signature)
12 Optum, Inc.; OptumRx, Inc.; OptumInsight, Inc.; OptumInsight Life
13 Sciences, Inc.; UnitedHealth Group Inc.; and The Lewin Group, Inc.
14 (type or print party name, title)

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16 (party's signature)
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18 (type or print party name, title)

19 **CONSENT OF DESIGNEE**

20 The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.

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22 Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature
23 Nevada Bar No. 13494 rgormley@wwhgd.com
24 Bar number Email address

25 APPROVED

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27 RICHARD F. BOULWARE
28 U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

DATED: August 30, 2024

CALIFORNIA JURAT WITH AFFIANT STATEMENT

GOVERNMENT CODE § 8202

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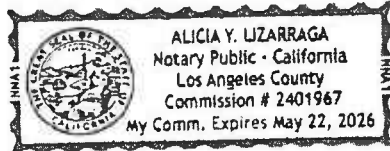
County of Los Angeles

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me

on this 23rd day of August, 2024
 by Date Month Year

(1) Alexander AKerman

(and (2) _____)
 Name(s) of Signer(s)



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proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

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**THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
CERTIFICATE OF STANDING**

June 14, 2024

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that according to the records of the State Bar, ALEXANDER AKERMAN, #280308 was admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Supreme Court of California on December 1, 2011 and has been since that date, and is at date hereof, an ACTIVE licensee of the State Bar of California; and that no recommendation for discipline for professional or other misconduct has ever been made by the Board of Trustees or a Disciplinary Board to the Supreme Court of the State of California.

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA


Alex Calderon
Custodian of Records