

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

EXCEDIS CORPORATION, a Nevada
limited liability company,
Plaintiff,
vs.
EDWARD BOLLMAN, et al.,
Defendants.

3:16-cv-00514-HDM-WGC

MINUTES OF THE COURT

September 20, 2016

PRESENT: THE HONORABLE WILLIAM G. COBB, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DEPUTY CLERK: KATIE LYNN OGDEN REPORTER: NONE APPEARING

COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF(S): NONE APPEARING

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT(S): NONE APPEARING

MINUTE ORDER IN CHAMBERS:

Before the court is the motion of Adam McMillen, Esq., and Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, law firm to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiff Excedis Corporation (ECF No. 11). Accompanying counsel's motion is a Declaration of Counsel which indicates Plaintiff Excedis Corporation has terminated its relationship with the Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, law firm. Good cause appearing, therefore, counsel's motion (ECF No. 11) is GRANTED.

Although 28 U.S.C. § 1654 allows "parties" to "plead and conduct their own cases personally," the statute has not been interpreted to allow corporate entities to do so. "Corporations and other unincorporated associations must appear in court through an attorney." In re America W. Airlines, 40 F.3d 1058, 1059 (9th Cir. 1994) (per curiam) (citations omitted). This rule "prohibits pro se plaintiffs from pursuing claims on behalf of others in a representative capacity." Simon v. Hartford Life, Inc., 546 F.3d 661, 664 (9th Cir. 2008); see also C.E. Pope Equity Trust v. United States, 818 F.2d 696, 697 (9th Cir. 1987) (trustee may not appear pro se because he is not the person who by substantive law has the right sought to be enforced).

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