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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

11 CIV 2564 (LBS)

v.

POKERSTARS; FULL TILT POKER;
ABSOLUTE POKER; ULTIMATE BET, *et al.*

**DECLARATION OF ROBERT
HANTMAN IN SUPPORT
OF ADMISSION OF
CYRUS SANAI, ESQ
PRO HAC VICE**

Defendants.

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF NEW YORK

Robert J. Hantman, being duly sworn, declares and says:

1. I am the principal of the law firm Hantman & Associates, local counsel for claimant Cardroom International, LLC (“Cardroom”) in the above captioned matter. I am familiar with the proceedings in this case. I make this statement based on my personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and in support of Cardroom’s Motion to Admit Cyrus Sanai as Counsel *Pro Hac Vice* to represent said claimant in this matter as co-counsel.

2. I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the state of New York, and was admitted to practice law in 1982,
3. I have known Cyrus Sanai since October 2011 and have worked with Mr. Sanai since that time.
4. Mr. Sanai is the principal of the law firm SANAIS Law Firm, in Beverly Hills, California. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and accurate copy of a Certificate of Good Standing for Cyrus Sanai.
5. In the time I have become acquainted with Mr. Sanai I have found him to be a skilled attorney and a person of integrity. He is experienced in Federal practice and is familiar with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
6. Accordingly, I am pleased to move for the admission of Mr. Sanai, *pro hac vice*.
7. I respectfully submit a proposed order granting the admission of Cyrus Sanai *pro hac vice*, which is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that a Motion to Admit Cyrus Sanai *Pro Hac Vice*, to represent Claimaint Cardroom International, LLC in the above captioned matter as co-counsel, be granted.

Dated: New York, NY
October 12, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert J. Hantman
Robert Hantman (RH3947)

EXHIBIT A



THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

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CERTIFICATE OF STANDING

September 14, 2012

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that according to the records of the State Bar, CYRUS MARK SANAI, #150387 was admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Supreme Court of California on December 4, 1990; and has been since that date, and is at date hereof, an ACTIVE member 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Louise Turner".

Louise Turner
Custodian of Membership Records

EXHIBIT B

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

11 cv 2564 (LBS)

-against-

**ORDER FOR ADMISSION
PRO HAC VICE**

POKERSTARS; FULL TILT
POKER, ULTIMATE BET, et al. Defendant.

The motion of Cyrus Mark Sanai, for admission to practice Pro Hac Vice in the above captioned action is granted.

Applicant has declared that he/she is a member in good standing of the bar(s) of the state(s) of California; and that his/her contact information is as follows

(please print):

Applicant's Name: Cyrus Sanai

Firm Name: Sanals Law Firm

Address: 433 North Camden Drive, Suite 600

City / State / Zip: Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Telephone / Fax: 310-717-9840

Applicant having requested admission Pro Hac Vice to appear for all purposes as counsel for Cardroom International, LLC in the above entitled action;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Applicant is admitted to practice Pro Hac Vice in the above captioned case in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. All attorneys appearing before this Court are subject to the Local Rules of this Court, including the Rules governing discipline of attorneys.

Dated: _____

United States District / Magistrate Judge