

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**February 20, 2026**

**IN RE:** )  
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**APPLICATION OF VA FIBER 1 PROPCO, LLC FOR ) DOCKET NO.**  
**A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ) 25-00091**  
**NECESSITY TO PROVIDE FACILITIES-BASED )**  
**LOCAL EXCHANGE AND INTEREXCHANGE )**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN )**  
**TENNESSEE )**

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**ORDER GRANTING PERMISSION TO PLEAD AND PRACTICE PRO HAC VICE**

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This matter is before the Administrative Judge upon the *Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice* (“*Motion*”), filed by Emma Marion, attorney for VA Fiber 1 Propco, LLC (“VA Fiber 1”) on behalf of Edlira Kuka. The *Motion* was filed on February 10, 2026, and seeks permission for Ms. Kuka to appear on behalf of VA Fiber 1 in the above-captioned proceeding.

The *Motion* states Ms. Kuka is a licensed attorney in good standing and admitted to practice law in the State of Washington and the District of Columbia, and further, that no disciplinary actions or investigations are pending against her.<sup>1</sup> The *Motion* is accompanied by an affidavit from Ms. Kuka in which she agrees to subject herself to the jurisdiction of the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee and the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) in any manner arising out of her conduct in such proceedings and agrees to be bound by the rules governing the conduct of attorneys appearing before the Commission.

Upon review, the Administrative Judge finds that the *Motion* complies with Rule 19 of

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<sup>1</sup> See Rule 19, Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

the Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court and Tenn. Comp. R. & Reg. 1220-1-2-.04(7). Accordingly, the *Motion* filed on behalf of Ms. Kuka for permission to practice before the Commission in the proceedings in this matter is approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

The *Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice* filed on behalf of Edlira Kuka by Emma Marion, attorney for VA Fiber 1 Propco, LLC, is GRANTED.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Monica Smith-Ashford".

Monica Smith-Ashford, Administrative Judge