

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

In the matter of the application of

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, WELLS
FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, and CITIBANK,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (as Trustees, Indenture
Trustees, Securities Administrators, Paying Agents, and/or
Calculation Agents of Certain Residential Mortgage-
Backed Securitization Trusts),

Petitioners,

For Judicial Instructions under CPLR Article 77 on the
Administration and Distribution of a Settlement Payment.

Index No. 651625/2018

**AFFIDAVIT OF STEPHEN
M. MERTZ IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION FOR ADMISSION
PRO HAC VICE**

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

Stephen M. Mertz, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am a member of the firm Faegre Baker Daniels LLP located in Minneapolis, Minnesota and counsel to the Petitioner Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (“Wells Fargo”) in this proceeding. I respectfully submit this Affidavit in support of Wells Fargo’s application for an Order seeking my *pro hac vice* admission to represent Wells Fargo in this matter, together with New York counsel Hahn & Hessen LLP, pursuant to 22 N.Y.C.R.R. §§ 520.11 and 602.2(a).

2. I am admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota and am a member in good standing of the Minnesota State Bar. Attached as Exhibit A is a certified copy of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Minnesota State Bar dated December 7, 2017.

3. I am also admitted to practice in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit and the U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota.

4. I have been practicing law for almost 20 years. I also appeared *pro hac vice* in this Court on behalf of Wells Fargo in related proceedings before the Hon. Marcy Friedman in the actions titled In re Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, et. al., Index No. 657387/2017 and In re U.S. Bank Nat'l Ass'n, et al., Index. No. 652382/2014.

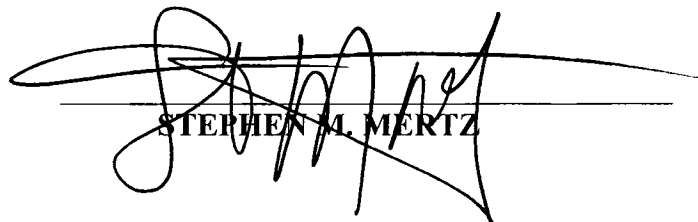
5. I have never been and am not presently subject to any disciplinary proceedings.

6. I am familiar with and shall comply with the standards of professional conduct imposed upon members of the New York State Bar, including the rules of court governing the conduct of attorneys and the Rules of Professional Conduct, and shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York with respect to any acts occurring during the course of my participation in the above-captioned matter.

7. I shall also be subject to all disciplinary rules and regulations of the courts of the State of New York, and will notify this Court immediately of any matter affecting my standing with the Minnesota State Bar.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request that Wells Fargo's application for an Order, pursuant to 22 N.Y.C.R.R. § § 520.11 and 602.2(a), for my admission *pro hac vice* be granted in its entirety.

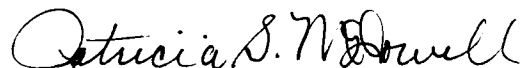
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Minneapolis, Minnesota

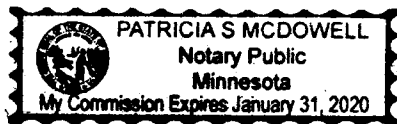


STEPHEN M. MERTZ

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

On the 5 day of April in the year 2018, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Stephen M. Mertz, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.


Notary Public



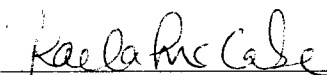
CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

The undersigned does hereby certify that he/she is an attorney-at-law duly admitted to practice in the State of Minnesota with an office at Faegre Baker Daniels LLP; that he/she is a person duly qualified to make this certificate of conformity pursuant to Section 299-a of the Real Property Law of the State of New York; that he/she is fully acquainted with the laws of the State of Minnesota pertaining to the administration and taking of oaths and affirmations; that the foregoing acknowledgment by Stephen M. Mertz named in the foregoing instrument taken before Patricia McDowell, a notary public (or other officer) was taken in the manner prescribed by such laws of the State of Minnesota being the state in which it was taken; and that it duly conforms with such laws and is in all respects valid and effective in such state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, my signature this 5 day of April 2018.

Print Name: Kaela McCabe

Signature: 

State Attorney ID No.: 0399630

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