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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

DIRECTV INC., and	:	
ECHOSTAR SATELLITE, L.L.C.,	:	
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Plaintiffs-Appellants,	:	Case No. 09-0627
	:	
v.	:	On Appeal from the Franklin
	:	County Court of Appeals,
RICHARD LEVIN, Tax Commissioner of	:	Tenth Appellate District,
Ohio,	:	Case No. 08AP-32
	:	
Defendant-Appellee.	:	

**MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF
MARCUS W. TRATHEN**

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Paul D. Ritter, Jr., an attorney duly admitted to the Bar of the State of Ohio, authorized to practice before this court, and co-counsel for amicus curiae National Conference of State Legislatures (“NCSL”), hereby moves this Court for the Admission of Marcus W. Trathen as counsel for amicus curiae NCSL in support of Defendant-Appellee Richard Levin, Tax Commissioner of Ohio.

Mr. Trathen is a partner in the law firm of Brooks, Pierce, McLendon, Humphrey & Leonard, L.L.P. in Raleigh, North Carolina. Mr. Trathen will participate in the appeal on behalf of NCSL and in support of Appellee.

Mr. Trathen is a member in good standing of the Bars of the State of North Carolina, the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, the United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, the United States District Court for the

Eastern District of North Carolina, and the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina.

Mr. Trathen has not been subject to any disciplinary or grievance proceedings. If admitted, Mr. Trathen agrees to conduct himself in accordance with the Rules governing the conduct of attorneys admitted to practice before this Honorable Court.

For the foregoing reasons, the undersigned respectfully requests that Mr. Marcus W. Trathen be admitted pro hac vice in this appeal.

This the 14th day of December, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing **Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice** was served via United States Mail, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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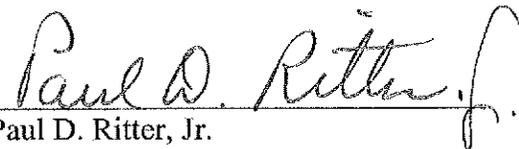
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This the 14th day of December, 2009.


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Dated this the 11th day of December, 2009.



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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN before me this 11th day of December, 2009.


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