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March 24, 2021

Via Email

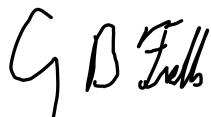
Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal
160 N. LaSalle Street Room N506
Chicago, Illinois 60601
ITT.TaxTribunal@illinois.gov

Re: U.S. Bancorp & Subs. v. Ill. Dep't of Revenue, Nos. 21TT22 & 21TT23
Notice of Appearance and Rule 707 Statement

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to this letter, I am appearing on behalf of U.S. Bancorp & Subsidiaries in the above-referenced matters. I have filed to be admitted *pro hac vice* with the Illinois Attorney Records and Disciplinary Committee on March 24, 2021 pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 707. Also enclosed are the Verified Statement and Certificates of Good Standing for the States of Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New York and for the District of Columbia.

Very truly yours,



Craig B. Fields
Partner

Enclosures

IN THE ILLINOIS INDEPENDENT TAX TRIBUNAL

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U.S. BANCORP & SUBSIDIARIES,   ) No. 21TT22  
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                                Petitioner, )  
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                                v.           )  
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THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, )  
                                )  
                                Defendant.  )  
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Verified Statement of Out-of-State Attorney Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 707

I, Craig Bernard Fields, submit this Verified Statement pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 707.

1. My full name is Craig Bernard Fields, and my date of birth is April 14, 1963. The address of the offices from which I practice law and related email address and telephone number are as follows:

1271 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10020
Office Telephone: 212.885.5170
Email: cfields@blankrome.com

2. I represent U.S. Bancorp and Subsidiaries in the matter of U.S. Bancorp & Subsidiaries v. The Illinois Department of Revenue in the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal (21TT22).

3(a). I have not previously filed any other appearance pursuant to this rule during this calendar year. Simultaneously with the filing of this Verified Statement, I am also filing a Verified Statement pursuant to this rule in a related matter, U.S. Bancorp & Subsidiaries v. The Illinois Department of Revenue in the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal (21TT23).

3(b). My Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission (“ARDC”) registration number is 6326140.

4(a). I list each jurisdiction of admission, including any state, territory, or commonwealth of the United States, the District of Columbia, or in a foreign country, and my full admission name and license number as follows:

1. Connecticut; Craig Bernard Fields; 400469
2. District of Columbia; Craig Bernard Fields; 432434
3. Massachusetts; Craig Bernard Fields; 568929
4. New York; Craig Bernard Fields; 2323616

4(b). I attach a letter or certificate of good standing for each of the jurisdictions listed in paragraph 4(a) above.

5. I have no office or other presence in Illinois for the practice of law.

6. I submit to the disciplinary authority of the Supreme Court of Illinois.

7. I have undertaken to become familiar with and to comply, as if admitted to practice in Illinois, with the rules of the Supreme Court of Illinois, including the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and the Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys, and other Illinois law and practices that pertain to the proceeding.

8. The full name, business address, and ARDC number of the Illinois attorney with whom I have associated in the matter is:

Andrew Schrag
444 West Lake Street, Suite 1650
Chicago, IL 60606
ARDC: 6306943

9. I certify that I have served this Statement upon Andrew Schrag, U.S. Bancorp & Subsidiaries, the Illinois Department of Revenue, and the ARDC and that these parties are all entitled to service under this rule.

Verification

I verify the accuracy and completeness of each of the above statements.



Craig B. Fields

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STATEWIDE GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Second Floor - Suite Two
287 Main Street, East Hartford, CT 06118-1885

Michael P. Bowler
Statewide Bar Counsel

I, Elizabeth M. Rowe, Assistant Bar Counsel, do hereby certify, based upon information received from the Clerk's Office of the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford, and from the records received from the local grievance committees and grievance panels, and from the records of the Statewide Grievance Committee that

CRAIG B. FIELDS

of

NEW YORK, NY

is a member in good standing of the Connecticut Bar, and has been admitted to same since December 04, 1989, that no disciplinary action has been taken against Attorney Fields by the Court or by the Statewide Grievance Committee, and that no complaints have been filed against said attorney.

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Elizabeth M. Rowe, Assistant Bar Counsel

March 3, 2021



On behalf of JULIO A. CASTILLO, Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals,
the District of Columbia Bar does hereby certify that

Craig B Fields

was duly qualified and admitted on March 4, 1992 as an attorney and counselor entitled to
practice before this Court; and is, on the date indicated below, a(n)
ACTIVE member in good standing of this Bar.

**In Testimony Whereof,
I have hereunto subscribed my
name and affixed the seal of this
Court at the City of
Washington, D.C., on February
26, 2021.**

Julio A. Castillo

**JULIO A. CASTILLO
Clerk of the Court**

[Signature]

Issued By:
District of Columbia Bar Membership

For questions or concerns, please contact the D.C. Bar Membership Office at 202-626-3475 or email
memberservices@dcbar.org.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUFFOLK, SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that at the Supreme Judicial Court holden at Boston within and for said County of Suffolk, on the **seventh** day of **October** A.D. **2015**, said Court being the highest Court of Record in said Commonwealth:

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, this **second** day of **March**

in the year of our Lord **two thousand and twenty-one**.



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MAURA S. DOYLE, Clerk

* Records of private discipline, if any, such as a private reprimand imposed by the Board of Bar Overseers or by any court, are not covered by this certification.
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*Appellate Division of the Supreme Court
of the State of New York
Second Judicial Department*

I, Aprilanne Agostino, Clerk of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Second Judicial Department, do hereby certify that

Craig Bernard Fields

was duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the courts of this State on March 28, 1990, has duly taken and subscribed the oath of office prescribed by law, has been enrolled in the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors at Law on file in this office, is duly registered with the Administration Office of the Courts, and according to the records of this Court is currently in good standing as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand in the City of Brooklyn on March 5, 2021.



Aprilanne Agostino

Clerk of the Court

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Undersigned counsel hereby certifies that he caused a copy of the foregoing Verified Statements of Out-of-State Attorney Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 707, and all attachments thereto, to be served on the following, addressed as follows:

Illinois Attorney Registration & Disciplinary Commission (by electronic mail)
Rule707@iardc.org

Illinois Department of Revenue (by FedEx Delivery)
Office of Legal Services
100 W. Randolph St., 7-900 (7th floor of the Thompson Center)
Chicago, IL 60601

Illinois Tax Tribunal (by electronic mail)
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Thomas Wolden (by electronic mail)
Thomas.wolden@usbank.com
U.S. Bancorp & Subsidiaries

/s/ Andrew Schrag
Andrew Schrag