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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit  
Office of the Clerk  
Attn: Amanda Sutton-Foy  
600 Maestri Place  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Re: Case No. 12-20633; *Ellisor v. Taylor* appeal, arising from Case No. 4:09-cv-3674, *SEC v. Kaleta*; in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division

Dear Ms. Sutton-Foy:

In response to your inquiry of December 19, 2012, we do not oppose the removal of the Wallace Bajjali parties from the appellate proceedings. We listed these parties so that they would have the opportunity to respond to our argument before this Court and make whatever effort they desired to see the District Court's confirmation of Mr. Taylor's settlement with these parties upheld. If they do not care to participate, we do not intend to hold them in the case involuntarily.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "C. Thomas Schmidt".

C. Thomas Schmidt

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