

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,	§	
	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
vs.	§	
	§	
ARISEBANK,	§	Civil Action No. 3:18-cv-0186-M
JARED RICE SR., and	§	
STANLEY FORD,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	
	§	

**RECEIVER’S MOTION TO PERMIT WITHDRAWAL OF
JAMES A. COX AS COUNSEL OF RECORD AND TO DESIGNATE
RICHARD J. JOHNSON AS LEAD COUNSEL**

Mark Rasmussen, the Court-appointed Receiver for AriseBank and its affiliates, files this Motion to Permit Withdrawal of James A. Cox as Counsel of Record and to Designate Richard J. Johnson as Lead Counsel.

1. Effective May 31, 2019, James A. Cox will leave the law firm of Jones Day, 2727 N. Harwood, Dallas, Texas 75201. The Receiver therefore asks the Court to permit Mr. Cox to withdraw as counsel of record for the Receiver in this matter and to permit the Receiver to designate as lead counsel Richard J. Johnson of Jones Day, 2727 N. Harwood, Dallas, Texas 75201.

2. Mr. Johnson and Jones Day have represented the Receiver in this action as counsel of record since the Court’s Order Appointing Receiver [ECF No. 12], and will continue to do so. Accordingly, permitting this withdrawal and designation of new lead counsel will cause no delays or schedule changes in this matter.

Dated: May 29, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Richard J. Johnson

Richard J. Johnson
Texas Bar No. 24088799
rjohnson@jonesday.com
JONES DAY
2727 North Harwood Street
Dallas, TX 75201
Telephone: (214) 220-3939
Facsimile: (214) 969-5100

COUNSEL TO RECEIVER

CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

The undersigned hereby certifies that, on May 22, 2019, the Receiver through counsel conferred with counsel for the SEC with respect to the relief requested in this Motion and the SEC does not oppose the Motion.

/s/ Richard J. Johnson

Richard J. Johnson

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on May 29, 2019, the foregoing document was submitted to the clerk of the Court for the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, and served on counsel of record through the electronic service system.

/s/ Richard J. Johnson

Richard J. Johnson

NAI-1507507395v1