

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

**IN RE: SAMSUNG TOP-LOAD )  
WASHING MACHINE MARKETING, )  
SALES PRACTICES AND PRODUCT )  
LIABILITY LITIGATION )**

**MDL Case No. 17-ml-2792-D**

**THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO )  
ALL CASES )**

**ORDER**

On May 7, 2018, Nagel Rice, LLP, (“Nagel Rice”), entered two generalized Notices of Appearance [Doc. No. 81] and [Doc. No. 82]. Each Notice of Appearance was filed on behalf of unnamed plaintiffs in unspecified related cases as interested parties in the underlying cases of this multidistrict litigation.

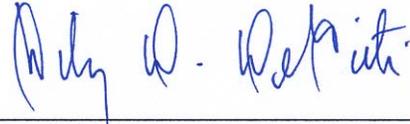
The purpose of the filings is not clear. If the purpose is intervention, Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(a) and (b) provide that permission to intervene as an interested party is granted only “[o]n timely motion” under specified circumstances. Nagel Rice has not filed a motion to intervene indicating the basis for intervention claimed by the unnamed parties they represent.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> It is unclear from Nagel Rice’s filings whether they are seeking to intervene on behalf of unnamed plaintiffs in cases outside of this multidistrict litigation or if they are attempting to enter appearances for unnamed plaintiffs already parties to underlying cases in this multidistrict litigation. The ambiguity of Nagel Rice’s filings leaves the Court to guess at their intentions. To the extent that they are seeking to simply enter appearances, Nagel Rice is directed to this Court’s Local Civil Rule 83.4, which states:

The Notices of Appearance [Doc. No. 81] and [Doc. No. 82] filed by Nagel Rice, LLP., do not comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or this Court's Local Rules and are hereby stricken.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018.



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TIMOTHY D. DEGIUSTI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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An attorney appearing for a party in a civil case shall enter an appearance by signing and filing an entry of appearance on the form prescribed by the clerk of this court. This entry of appearance shall include a certification that the attorney is admitted to practice in this court. In addition, the entry of appearance shall state whether the attorney is registered in this Court's Electronic Case Filing System.

The specified form prescribed by the Clerk of this Court requires both the plaintiffs and specific individual attorneys representing them to be named. A generalized entry of appearance for a law firm is not permitted.