

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Richmond Division**

**FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY  
COMMISSION,**

**Petitioner,**

**v.**

**Civil Action No. 3:15cv452**

**POWHATAN ENERGY FUND,  
LLC, et al.,**

**Respondents.**

**ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court on Counsel for Defendant Powhatan Energy Fund, LLC's (the "Fund") Motion for Leave to Withdraw (the "Motion"). (ECF No. 207.) In the Motion, Counsel requests leave to withdraw because (1) "continued representation will result in an unreasonable financial burden;" and, (2) Counsel "and representatives of the Fund have been unable to reach agreement on the manner of conducting the remaining stages of the litigation." (Mem. Supp. Mot. 2–3, ECF No. 208.) Counsel argues that because trial is not set to commence until August 15, 2022, "withdrawal will not pose a material adverse effect on the interests of the Fund, which can replace Williams Mullen with counsel of its choosing and continue to litigate this case as it chooses." (*Id.* 2.)

The Court ORDERS Parties to appear, in person, for a hearing on the Motion on August 13, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom 6100 of the Spottswood W. Robinson III and Robert R. Merhige, Jr. United States Courthouse. Any position by the Fund SHALL be filed as a Notice no later than August 9, 2021.

Let the Clerk send a copy of this Order to the Fund and all counsel of record.

It is SO ORDERED.

  
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M. Hamilton Latta  
United States District Judge

Date: *July 28, 2021*  
Richmond, Virginia