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### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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NOTICE OF PRESENTMENT OF APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS OF ALLEGIANCE TELECOM, INC., <u>ET AL.</u>, FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RETENTION OF KELLEY DRYE & WARREN LLP, <u>AS SPECIAL COUNSEL</u>, *NUNC PRO TUNC* TO JUNE 20, 2003

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Allegiance Telecom, Inc., et al. (collectively, "Debtors"), will present the Application for an order Authorizing the Retention of Kelley Drye & Warren LLP as Special Counsel, Nunc Pro Tunc to June 20, 2003 (the "Application"), to the Honorable Robert D. Drain,

United States Bankruptcy Judge for signature on December 18, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that objections, if any, to the relief requested in the Application shall be made in writing, comply with the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Bankruptcy Rules, state the basis for the objection, and the specific grounds therefore and be filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York electronically in accordance with General Order M-182 (which can be found at www.nysb.uscourts.gov) by registered users of the Bankruptcy Court's case filing system and, by all other parties in interest, on a 3.5 inch disk, preferably in Portable Document Format (PDF), WordPerfect, or any other Windows-based word processing format (with a hard copy delivered directly to the chambers of Judge Drain) and served in accordance with General Order M-182 or by first-class mail, upon each of the following: (i) counsel to the Committee. Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, 590 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022, Attention Ira S. Dizengoff, Esq. and Phillip C. Dublin, Esq., (ii) proposed Special Counsel to the Committee, Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, 101 Park Avenue, New York, New York 010178. Attention Mark R. Somerstein, Esq., (iii) counsel to Debtors, Kirkland & Ellis, Citigroup Center, 153 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, New York, New York 10022, Attention Jonathan S. Henes, Esq., (iv) counsel to the Agent for the Lenders, Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP, 600 Peachtree street, NE, Ste 2400, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, Attention Jesse H. Austin, III, Esq., and (v) the Office of the United States Trustee, 33 Whitehall Street, New York, New York 10004, Attention Pamela Jean Lustrin, Esq., so as to be actually received no later than 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on December 15, 2003.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that if a written objection is timely filed, a hearing will be held at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, Alexander Hamilton Custom House, One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004, on December 18, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). The moving and objecting parties are required to attend the hearing, and failure to appear may result in relief being granted or denied upon default.

Dated: New York, New York December 5, 2003

#### AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD LLP

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#### APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RETENTION NUNC PRO TUNC OF KELLEY DRYE & WARREN LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL

#### TO: THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. DRAIN, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Allegiance Telecom, Inc., et al. (collectively, "Allegiance") hereby moves this Court for entry of an order, pursuant to section 1103 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101, et seq. (the

"Bankruptcy Code") and Rules 2014 and 5002 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), authorizing the Committee to retain Kelley Drye & Warren LLP ("Kelley Drye"), as special counsel to the Committee in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"), *nunc pro tunc* to June 20, 2003. In support of the Application, the Committee respectfully represents as follows:

#### I. <u>JURISDICTION</u>

1. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this Application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue of these proceedings is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

#### II. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

- 2. On May 14, 2003 (the "Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed with this Court a voluntarily petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Chapter 11 Cases have been procedurally consolidated for administrative purposes.
- 3. On May 28, 2003, pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code, the United States Trustee appointed a seven member Committee. On the same date, the Committee selected the law firm of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP ("Akin Gump") to serve as counsel to the Committee, and Akin Gump's retention was approved by this Court. In its retention papers, Akin Gump disclosed that the Committee would be required to retain special counsel ("Special Counsel") to represent the Committee on matters for which Akin Gump will not act for the Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Committee is currently comprised of the following six entities: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., LC Capital Master Fund, Ltd., Loeb Partners Corp., Nortel Networks Inc., Romulus Holdings, and The Bank of New York, as indenture trustee.

- 4. Specifically, in its retention application Akin Gump identified circumstances ("Potential Conflict Circumstances") where Akin Gump would be unable to act for the Committee. By retaining Kelley Drye as Special Counsel, the Committee will reasonably and responsibly address its duties in such Potential Conflict Circumstances. In particular, Kelley Drye will represent the Committee in connection with certain issues that arise in the Chapter 11 Cases involving entities that are clients of Akin Gump in matters unrelated to these Chapter 11 Cases, as requested by the Committee. The ability of Kelley Drye to be adverse to these entities was a significant factor in the selection and retention of Kelley Drye as Special Counsel.
- 5. From the date of selection of Akin Gump as primary counsel, the Committee identified the need, and has actively searched, for competent Special Counsel who is not constrained from being adverse to these entities. The Committee submits that Kelley Drye satisfies these criteria as set forth in this Application and in the supporting materials.
- 6. Due to the magnitude of the Chapter 11 Cases, circumstances may exist in which neither Akin Gump nor Kelley Drye are able to act for the Committee. If this occurs, Akin Gump and Kelley Drye will advise the Committee to retain, subject to Court approval, other counsel to undertake such representation on behalf of the Committee. In that regard, Kelley Drye currently represents the companies listed on Exhibit B to the Affidavit of Mark R. Somerstein, submitted herewith (the "Somerstein Affidavit"), on matters wholly unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases. Each of these entities has been included in Akin Gump's disclosure as an entity to which Akin Gump cannot be adverse. As a result, based upon the relationships of both Akin Gump and Kelley Drye to these companies, neither Akin Gump nor Kelley Drye will commence direct causes of action by or against these entities with respect to the Chapter 11 Cases. Except as set forth in the Somerstein Affidavit, Kelley Drye currently does not represent

the companies listed on Exhibit A to the Somerstein Affidavit, which also were included in Akin Gump's disclosure. As a result, Kelley Drye can commence causes of action by or against these entities with respect to the Chapter 11 Cases, if so requested by the Committee.

7. As set forth herein, Kelley Drye is able and willing to represent the Committee's interests against the entities listed on Exhibit A to the Somerstein Affidavit.

#### III. RETENTION OF KELLEY DRYE

#### **Disclosure Concerning Conflicts Of Interest**

- 8. The Committee has selected Kelley Drye to serve as special counsel to the Committee and to perform, as requested, in Potential Conflict Circumstances, the services described herein. The Committee believes that Kelley Drye possesses extensive knowledge in the areas of law relevant to these cases, and that Kelley Drye is well qualified to represent the Committee as special counsel in connection with Potential Conflict Circumstances. In selecting its special counsel, the Committee sought counsel with experience in large chapter 11 cases and other debt restructuring scenarios. Kelley Drye has represented either debtors or official creditors' committees in numerous chapter 11 cases. In addition, Kelley Drye has a broad-based practice, including expertise in the areas of bankruptcy and restructuring, corporate and commercial law, litigation, real estate, and telecommunications, as well as other areas that may be significant in these cases.
- 9. To the best of the Committee's knowledge, information and belief, and based upon the Somerstein Affidavit, Kelley Drye does not represent any interest adverse to Allegiance's estates or their creditors in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases, except as set forth in the Somerstein Affidavit. Moreover, to the best of the Committee's knowledge, information and belief, and based upon the Somerstein Affidavit, the partners, counsel and associates of Kelley Drye do not have any connection with Allegiance, their estates or any other

party in interest, their respective attorneys and accountants, the United States Trustee, or any person employed in the office of the United States Trustee, except as disclosed in the Somerstein Affidavit. In addition, Kelley Drye has informed the Committee that Kelley Drye has reviewed its connections, or lack thereof, with entities whose relationship with Akin Gump may give rise to Potential Conflict Circumstances, and Kelley Drye has advised the Committee that, to the extent requested by the Committee, Kelley Drye is ready and willing to represent the Committee in connection with Potential Conflict Circumstances, except as identified in the Somerstein Affidavit.

- 10. Based upon all of the foregoing, the Committee believes that the employment of Kelley Drye as special counsel in connection with Potential Conflict Circumstances would be appropriate and in the best interest of the Debtors' estates and their creditors.
- 11. The Committee requests that Kelley Drye's retention as special counsel in connection with Potential Conflict Circumstances be approved *nunc pro tunc* to June 20, 2003, as such is the date that Kelley Drye was selected as special counsel to the Committee and commenced providing services on behalf of the Committee.

#### Services To Be Rendered

- 12. Kelley Drye is expected to render legal services in certain Potential Conflict Circumstances as requested by the Committee. Specifically, the Committee respectfully submits that it will be necessary to employ and retain Kelley Drye with respect to, among other things, the following in connection with Potential Conflict Circumstances:
  - (a) investigate, file, and prosecute litigation on behalf of the Committee;
  - (b) represent the Committee at hearings and other proceedings;

- (c) assist the Committee in preparing pleadings and applications as may be necessary in furtherance of the Committee's interests and objectives; and
- (d) perform such other legal services as may be required and are deemed to be in the interests of the Committee in accordance with the Committee's powers and duties as set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.

The services listed in items (a) through (d) will be limited to Potential Conflict Circumstances involving the entities identified on Exhibit A to the Somerstein Affidavit and as to which the Committee requests Kelley Drye to represent the Committee as special counsel.

13. Akin Gump and Kelley Drye have informed the Committee that the two firms will coordinate their activities to avoid unnecessary duplication of efforts between the two law firms.

#### **Compensation Of Kelley Drye**

- 14. Kelley Drye intends to apply to this Court for compensation and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, all in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York and any orders of this Court.
- 15. Subject to the Court's approval, Kelley Drye will bill at its standard hourly rates, which are based on, among other things, each professional's level of experience. At present, the hourly rates range from \$300 to \$590 for partners, \$395 to \$450 for counsel, \$155 to \$340 for associates, and \$110 to \$160 for legal assistants. These hourly rates are subject to periodic firm-wide adjustments in the ordinary course of Kelley Drye's practice. The hourly rates set forth above are Kelley Drye's standard hourly rates for work of this nature.
- 16. Kelley Drye intends to apply to the Court for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the representation of the Committee, including, inter alia, long distance phone calls, facsimiles, photocopying, postage and package delivery

charges, messengers, court fees, transcript fees, travel expenses, expenses for "working meals," and computer-assisted legal research.

#### V. NO PRIOR REQUEST

17. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made to this or any other court. The Office of the United States Trustee has been provided drafts of this Application and has approved its contents.

#### VI. WAIVER OF MEMORANDUM OF LAW

18. Because this Application presents no novel issues of law and the authorities relied upon by the Committee are set forth herein, the Committee respectfully requests that the Court waive the requirement for the filing of a separate memorandum of law in support of this Application pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(b), but the Committee reserves the right to file a brief in reply to any objection to this Application.

WHEREFORE, the Committee respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (a) authorizing the Committee to retain Kelley Drye as described herein to represent it as Special Counsel, *nunc pro tunc* to June 20, 2003 and (b) granting such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

Dated: December 5, 2003

THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE
OF UNSECURED CREDITORS
OF ALLEGIANCE TELECOM, INC., ET AL.

By: Romulus Holdings, solely in its capacity as Chair of the Committee and not in its individual capacity,

s/ Gary Singer
Name: Gary Singer
Its: Chairperson

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AFFIDAVIT OF MARK R. SOMERSTEIN IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS OF ALLEGIANCE TELECOM INC. FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RETENTION NUNC PRO TUNC OF KELLEY DRYE & WARREN LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK	)

#### MARK R. SOMERSTEIN, of full age, deposes and says:

1. I am an attorney at law admitted to practice in the State of New York and in the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. I am a member of the firm of Kelley Drye & Warren LLP ("Kelley Drye"), which maintains offices at 101 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10178.

2. I am familiar with the matters set forth herein, and I make this affidavit in support of the application (the "Application") of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Allegiance Telecom, Inc. ("Allegiance"), and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries (collectively, the "Debtors"), seeking approval to retain and employ Kelley Drye, *nunc pro tunc* to June 20, 2003, as special counsel to the Committee.

#### **QUALIFICATION OF PROFESSIONALS**

- 3. Kelley Drye is an international law firm with over 325 attorneys. Kelley Drye maintains 8 offices throughout the United States (including New York), Europe and Asia.
- 4. Kelley Drye is well qualified to represent the Committee as its special counsel in connection with these chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"). Kelley Drye possesses extensive knowledge in the areas of law relevant to the Chapter 11 Cases, including experience in large chapter 11 cases and other restructuring scenarios. Kelley Drye has represented debtors, official creditors' committees, secured creditors and other creditors in numerous chapter 11 cases.
- 5. Kelley Drye has a broad-based practice, including expertise in the areas of bankruptcy and restructuring, corporate and commercial law, litigation, real estate, and telecommunications, as well as other areas that may likely be significant in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases.

#### **SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

6. On May 28, 2003, the Committee selected the law firm of Akin Gump Strauss
Hauer & Feld, LLP ("Akin Gump") as its counsel. The Committee determined that by reason of
relationships between Akin Gump and certain creditors and other parties in interest disclosed by

Certain disclosures herein relate to matters within the knowledge of other attorneys at Kelley Drye and are based on information provided to me by them.

Akin Gump in its retention application, the Committee would retain special counsel ("Special Counsel") to represent the Committee in circumstances ("Potential Conflict Circumstances") where Akin Gump would be unable to act for the Committee. In particular, if authorized by this Court, Kelley Drye will represent the Committee in connection with certain issues arising in these Chapter 11 Cases relating to entities that are clients of Akin Gump in matters unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases, as requested by the Committee.

- 7. On June 20, 2003, the Committee selected Kelley Drye to serve as Special Counsel to the Committee and to perform, as requested, in Potential Conflict Circumstances, the services described below.
- 8. Specifically, the Committee has requested that Kelley Drye render the following services, among others, in connection with certain Potential Conflict Circumstances:
  - (a) investigate, file, and prosecute litigation on behalf of the Committee;
  - (b) represent the Committee at hearings and other proceedings;
  - (c) assist the Committee in preparing pleadings and applications as may be necessary in furtherance of the Committee's interests and objectives; and
  - (d) perform such other legal services as may be required and are deemed to be in the interests of the Committee in accordance with the Committee's powers and duties as set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.

The services listed in items (a) through (d) will be limited to Potential Conflict Circumstances involving the entities identified on Exhibit A hereto and as to which the Committee requests Kelley Drye to represent the Committee as Special Counsel.

9. Kelley Drye will work with Akin Gump, the Committee, the Debtors and their counsel to allocate responsibility for various tasks to avoid unnecessary duplication of effort and to move the Chapter 11 Cases forward quickly, harmoniously and efficiently.

- 10. Akin Gump has disclosed that it currently represents certain entities (consisting of both Potential Parties in Interest, as defined below, and Akin Gump's Telecommunications

  Connections, as defined below) adverse to Allegiance. In the event that there are circumstances in which neither Akin Gump nor Kelley Drye are able to act for the Committee, Akin Gump and Kelley Drye will advise the Committee to retain, subject to Court approval, other counsel to undertake such representation on behalf of the Committee.
- 11. In that regard, Kelley Drye has reviewed Akin Gump's disclosure. Kelley Drye currently represents the companies listed on Exhibit B hereto on matters wholly unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases. Each of these entities has been included in Akin Gump's disclosure as an entity to which Akin Gump cannot be adverse. As a result, based upon the relationships of both Akin Gump and Kelley Drye to these companies, Kelley Drye will not commence or investigate causes of action by or against these entities (but may investigate facts involving them) with respect to the Chapter 11 Cases unless a waiver is obtained. Except as set forth below, Kelley Drye currently does not represent the companies listed on Exhibit A hereto, which also were included in Akin Gump's disclosure. As a result, Kelley Drye can commence or investigate causes of action by or against these entities with respect to the Chapter 11 Cases, if so requested by the Committee.
- 12. Subject to this Court's approval of the Application, Kelley Drye is willing to serve as Special Counsel to the Committee and to perform the services described above.

#### PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION

13. Kelley Drye intends to apply to this Court for compensation and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, all in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York and any orders of this Court.

- 14. As of the date hereof, Kelley Drye has received no compensation for its work on behalf of the Committee.
- 15. Kelley Drye will bill at its standard hourly rates, which are based on, among other things, each professional's level of experience. At present, the hourly rates range from \$300 to \$590 for partners, \$395 to \$450 for counsel, \$155 to \$340 for associates, and \$110 to \$160 for legal assistants. These hourly rates are subject to periodic firm-wide adjustments in the ordinary course of Kelley Drye's practice. The hourly rates set forth above are Kelley Drye's standard hourly rates for work of this nature.
- 16. Kelley Drye intends to apply to the Court for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the representation of the Committee, including, *inter alia*, long distance phone calls, facsimiles, photocopying, postage and package delivery charges, messengers, court fees, transcript fees, travel expenses, expenses for "working meals," and computer-assisted legal research.
- 17. Other than as set forth above, no arrangement is proposed for compensation to be paid to Kelley Drye in the Chapter 11 Cases. No agreement exists, nor will any be made, to share any compensation received by Kelley Drye for its services with any other person or firm.

# SEARCH FOR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS INVOLVING KELLEY DRYE CLIENTS AS POTENTIAL PARTIES IN INTEREST

18. Kelley Drye has conducted a conflicts check, through its client database, regarding its connections with potential parties-in-interest (collectively, the "Potential Parties in Interest") as identified to Kelley Drye by Akin Gump, including: (i) the Debtors; (ii) prior names used by the Debtors; (iii) parties to litigation; (iv) the Debtors' top 40 unsecured creditors; (v) creditors under capital lease agreements; (vi) the bank group; (vii) indenture trustees of the Debtors' debt issuances; (viii) beneficiaries of performance bonds; (ix) bondholders of the 12

7/8% senior notes; (x) bondholders of 11 ¾% senior discount notes; (xi) debtor's professionals; (xii) landlords; (xiii) insurers; (xiv) equity security holders; (xv) beneficiaries of letters of credit; (xvi) significant vendors; (xvii) significant customers; (xviii) major competitors; (xix) members of the Committee; (xx) judgment lien-holders; and (xxi) the Debtor's current and former officers and directors. Kelley Drye also has conducted a conflicts check regarding its relationship with companies involved in the telecommunications industry with which Akin Gump, as disclosed in its retention application, currently is, or previously was, involved ("Akin Gump's Telecommunications Connections").

- 19. A search conducted through Kelley Drye's client database is designed to reveal any representation of, or potential conflict with, the entity searched or any known subsidiary or affiliate. A list of the Potential Parties in Interest searched is attached hereto as Exhibit C. The results of this conflict check are summarized and attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 20. In addition to the above-mentioned investigation, Kelley Drye sent a general inquiry to all Kelley Drye attorneys firm-wide with respect to any representation of, or relation to, Allegiance, its subsidiaries or its affiliates.
- 21. Neither Kelley Drye nor any attorney at the Firm is an insider of the Debtors. In addition, neither Kelley Drye nor any attorney at the Firm holds directly any claim, debt or equity security of the Debtors.
- 22. Kelley Drye is not and has not been, within two years of the date of the filing of the Debtors' respective petitions, an investment banker for a security of the Debtors, or an attorney for such an investment banker in connection with the offer, sale or issuance of a security of the Debtors.

- 23. No member of Kelley Drye has been, within two years from the date of the filing of the Debtors' respective petitions, a director, officer or employee of the Debtors or of an investment banker as specified in subparagraph (B) or (C) of 11 U.S.C. § 101(14).
- 24. Kelley Drye does not have an interest materially adverse to the interest of the estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship to, connection with, or interest in, the Debtors or an investment banker as specified in subparagraph (B) or (C) of 11 U.S.C. § 101(14), or for any other reason.
- 25. Except as set forth below, Kelley Drye does not currently represent the Debtors or any of their affiliates, partners, or subsidiaries, and Kelley Drye will not undertake the representation of the Debtors or related entities during this engagement.
- 26. To the best of my knowledge and information, Kelley Drye neither holds nor represents any interest adverse to the Committee, the Debtors, their creditors or other parties in interest or their respective attorneys in the Chapter 11 Cases, except as otherwise set forth herein. Based upon information available to me, I believe that Kelley Drye is a "disinterested person" within the meaning of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 27. To the best of my knowledge, neither Kelley Drye nor any attorney at the Firm is or was a creditor, an equity security holder or an insider of the Debtors in the past two years. In addition, it is Kelley Drye's policy that no firm personnel (a) purchase or sell or in any way participate in the purchase or sale of any security of a client of the firm or any other entity while in possession of non-public information, and (b) advise or suggest that anyone else do so including spouses and family members. Notwithstanding such trading policy, any person who purchases a security by exercising rights received as a stockholder in a rights offering to stockholders or who purchases or sells in discretionary brokerage accounts or trusts or similar

arrangements where the purchase or sale is made without advance discussion with or disclosure to such person, is permitted to do so by Kelley Drye.

- 28. Kelley Drye does not act as general counsel to any of the Potential Parties in Interest or to any of Akin Gump's Telecommunications Connections as listed in Exhibit C.
- 29. I am not related, and to the best of my knowledge, no attorney at the Firm is related, to any United States District Judge or United States Bankruptcy Judge in the Southern District of New York or to the United States Trustee for such district or any employee in the office thereof.

# SPECIFIC REPRESENTATIONS OF POTENTIAL PARTIES IN INTEREST AND AKIN GUMP'S TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONNECTIONS

- 30. Attached as Exhibit B hereto is a list of the parties related to the Chapter 11 Cases and/or certain affiliates or subsidiaries that Kelley Drye currently represents in matters wholly unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Current Clients"). In connection with the services to be rendered to the Committee, Kelley Drye will not commence or investigate causes of action by or against the Current Clients with respect to the Chapter 11 Cases. To the extent any actions are commenced by or against the Current Clients or need to be investigated in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases, the Committee will use primary counsel, additional special counsel or other counsel to a Committee member to represent the interests of unsecured creditors.
- 31. Prior to the Petition Date, Kelley Drye represented Allegiance in several general federal regulatory matters before the Federal Communications Commission in which Kelley Drye represented a group of numerous competitive local exchange carriers, including Allegiance, and, on behalf of these carriers, provided commentary on proposed FCC regulations potentially affecting such carriers. Kelley Drye terminated its client relationship with Allegiance effective

- April 14, 2003. Furthermore, Kelley Drye will not undertake to represent Allegiance Telecom in any matters during the pendency of the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 32. Kelley Drye is special counsel to the WorldCom creditors' committee. Prior to the Petition Date, Kelley Drye represented the WorldCom creditors' committee in connection with WorldCom's motion to approve a comprehensive settlement between WorldCom and Allegiance of numerous disputes.
- 33. Kelley Drye currently represents certain clients in the following cases identified in the Akin Gump Telecommunications Connections:
  - (a) Adelphia Business Solutions: Kelley Drye represents HSBC Bank USA as indenture trustee in connection with the Adelphia Business Solutions bankruptcy case as a member of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors.
- 34. Kelley Drye will establish ethical procedures to ensure that the attorneys working on matters involving parties in interest in the Chapter 11 Cases will not receive or have access to any materials prepared by or distributed to Kelley Drye, on behalf of the Committee, in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases. In addition, no member of Kelley Drye or employee thereof will communicate with these attorneys with respect to the services rendered by Kelley Drye on behalf of the Committee.
- 35. Specifically, Kelley Drye has agreed to and will implement an information-blocking mechanism between its employees working on the Allegiance bankruptcy cases as special counsel to the Committee ("Special Counsel Personnel") and any personnel working on matters involving parties in interest in the Chapter 11 Cases ("Other Client Personnel"), in order to prevent the dissemination of any nonpublic information concerning the Committee's matters that have been received by Kelley Drye solely through the performance of activities in connection with its role as Special Counsel (the "Information").

- 36. Kelley Drye will immediately create, implement and monitor on an ongoing basis the following procedures within the Firm: (i) a "fire wall" between the Special Counsel Personnel and the Other Client Personnel to block the transfer of Information, including communications and access to files, (except certain administrative personnel who, due to their duties and responsibilities, have a legitimate need to know certain information with the understanding that such information will be used only in connection with their administrative duties, and certain regulators and auditors (collectively, "Other Authorized Recipients")); (ii) a copy of these procedures will be circulated to each present and future individual member of the Special Counsel Personnel, the Other Client Personnel, and the Other Authorized Recipients as required; and (iii) Special Counsel Personnel will not be involved in the matters serviced by Other Client Personnel, to the extent such matters involve analyses, negotiations or decisions relating directly or indirectly to any of the Committee's or the Debtors' matters. As the Chapter 11 Cases progress, these procedures, and the necessity thereof, may be revisited to assure that confidentiality is maintained.
- 37. Because these Chapter 11 Cases are large and complex and involve a large number of parties, an extraordinary effort has been and will continue to be required to identify all of Kelley Drye's connections with the Potential Parties in Interest. Kelley Drye will maintain an ongoing inquiry regarding the Potential Parties in Interest and, if appropriate, will file promptly with the Court any appropriate supplemental disclosure that becomes necessary.
- 38. Kelley Drye does not currently represent any creditors or other parties in interest who are involved in the Chapter 11 Cases on any issue relating to the Chapter 11 Cases. For the reasons stated herein, Kelley Drye represents no interests adverse to the Debtors' individual

creditors or the Committee on any matter for which Kelley Drye will be engaged by the Committee, and, therefore, Kelley Drye is capable of fulfilling its fiduciary duty.

39. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the statements made herein are true and correct to best of my personal knowledge.

S/ Mark R. Somerstein
Mark R. Somerstein

Sworn to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2003

s/ Marie Vincinanza
Notary Public, State of new York
No. 4739750 – Orange County
Commission Expires 9/30/05

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### AKIN GUMP ALLEGIANCE CONFLICTS - NO KELLEY DRYE CONFLICT

Goldman Sachs EMC Corporation

Sunbelt Telecommunications RCN Telecom Services, Inc.

United Capital
Bank of Nova Scotia
ABN Amro Bank
Dresdner Bank

Gryphon Master Fund, LP

**UBS AG** 

IBM Credit Corporation Allianz of America, Inc. Gryphon Capital Corp., LLC Romulus Holdings, Inc. Euroclear Main Account

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur

Foundation Insignia

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Riggs Bank

Vanguard Group, Inc.
Hartford Fire Insurance Co
Sunbelt Telecommunications
Southern California Edison

Southwestern Bell

Level 3 Communications, Inc.

City of Atlanta Office Depot

Cathedral Healthcare Palmer & Dodge Iron Mountain Loeb Partners

Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin

Greenhill & Co.

**ICG Communications** 

Hewlett Packard

Verizon Owest

Bank of America Bank of Nova Scotia ING Capital Corp. Morgan Stanley

Union Bank of California

Fleet Bank

Allianz of America, Inc. CIBC Oppenheimer

Merril Lynch Investment Managers

Bank of Montreal

Conseco Capital Management, Inc.

Invesco Fund Group

Morgan Stanley Investment Management

AT&T Bell South

**AOL Time Warner** 

ABN AMRO

Clarion

Chubb Asset Management, Inc. State Farm Insurance Company

**Sprint Communications** 

Transwestern Commercial Services

KPMG Worldwide Trammell Crow

John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Alcatel, Inc.

Broadwing Communications, Inc. Call-Net Carrier Services, Inc.

GlobalStar Capital, L.P.

Communications Technology Advisors

Togut, Segal & Segal Kirkland & Ellis

#### **EXHIBIT B**

# ALLEGIANCE CONFLICTS AKIN GUMP CONFLICTS AND KELLEY DRYE CONNECTIONS

#### **Current Clients**

American Express Financial Corp.
Lucent Technologies
Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc.
CIT Lending Services
Credit Suisse First Boston
Credit Suisse Asset Management, L.L.C.
General Electric Capital Corporation
New York Life Insurance Co.
Electronic Data Systems
JPMorgan Chase Bank
Jones Long Lasalle Management
New York Hospital
Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association
Worldcom, Inc.
The Bank of New York

XO Communications, Inc.

#### **EXHIBIT C**

#### ALLEGIANCE CONFLICTS – LIST OF PARTIES SEARCHED

#### **Debtors**

Allegiance Telecom, Inc. Adgrafix Corporation

ALGX Business Internet, Inc.

Allegiance Internet, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom Company Worldwide

Allegiance Telecom International, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Arizona, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of California, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Colorado, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Florida, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Georgia, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Illinois, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Indiana, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Maryland, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Massachusetts, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Michigan, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Minnesota, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Missouri, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Nevada, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of New Jersey, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of New York, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of North Carolina, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Ohio, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Oklahoma, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Oregon, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Pennsylvania, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Texas, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of The District of

Columbia, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Virginia, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Washington, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom of Wisconsin, Inc.

Allegiance Telecom Purchasing Company

Allegiance Telecom Service Corporation

Coast to Coast Telecommunications, Inc.

Hosting.com, Inc.

InterAccess Telecommunications Co.

Jump.Net, Inc.

Shared Technologies Allegiance, Inc.

Virtualis Systems, Inc.

#### **Current and Former Officers and Directors** of Allegiance Telecom. Inc. and Affiliates (Debtors)

Royce J. Holland

C. Daniel Yost

Thomas M. Lord

Anthony J. Parella

Mark B. Tresnowski

Deborah Surrette

G. Clay Myers

J. Timothy Naramore

Kevin Joseph

Lawrence E. Strickling

Richard H. Anderson

Christine Kornegay

Kenneth C. Close

Sanjeev Sethi

Annie S. Terry

Mark A. Stachiw

James E. Crawford, III

Paul J. Finnegan

Jacob J. Goldberg

Reed E. Hundt

Andrew D. Lipman

James N. Perry, Jr.

Mitchell Romm

Melanie Haratunian

Kieran Athy

John F. Wassenbergh

Melody A. Blanks Avers

Joseph Bartlett

Peter Ciaraldi

Dana Crowne

John Debus

Jeffrey S. Feinberg

Bill M. Francis

John Ted Gilmore

Thomas Ed Hays

Robert E. Hlavacek

James C. Hoffman

Stephen N. Holland

Steve Hwang

Alan D. Hyde

Tae Kim

Patricia E. Koide

Walter B. Kulikowski

Christopher Malinowski Robert W. McCausland Christopher J. Melnick Richard V. Myers Ted H. Nichols Morton Posner Anthony Scott Savoie Neil Searls Eugene A. Shimshock Jerrold L. Sklar Vincent J. Tozzi Mark Washbum Robert E. Williams William J. Wilson Sr. John Ehrenkranz Richard Frisbe Alan Goldberg

#### **Parties To Litigation**

Howard Hoffen

Dino Vendetti

Ace Cash Express Africfarm Market Ltd. Air Around The Clock Anne Marie's Catering

Apple Dentists Ashley Layne Design

Brelian, Inc. dba TGF Haircutters

Brown, Stanley E. CampusLink Cappuccio

Carribean Resorts

D.N.K. Management, Inc. Dietrich & Associates Dpi Teleconnect, Inc. G&R Check Cashing Corp.

Girdler, Deborah Goldman Sachs I and II **ICG Communications** 

InteCap J.L.M., Inc. Kane, Linda Kosher Konnection Kramer, Pamela

Law Offices of Lin & Associates

Legal Services Associates Life Sciences Corp.

Maid in the USA t/a Maid.To Perfection Maynard, Alison dba Law Offices of Alison Maynard

Mirage Tile & Marble Co., Inc.

Navarro Property

**Network Dynamics Cabling** Notre Dame Law Associates One Stop Realtour Place

Payne, Robert B. and Barbara L.

Poe, Jason

Polyspede Electronics **Robin Millen Collections** Scheideler & Associates Shayan Enterprises, LLC Signature Consultants

State Farm Insurance Company

The Tub Factory **Totally Wireless Choice Trinity National Corporation** 

Tweel Home

**Uptown Transit Corporation** 

Walker, Brian

Zone International, Inc.

#### **Top 40 Unsecured Creditors**

Pacific Bell

Southwestern Bell

Verizon Ameritech

Broadwing Communication Services Inc.

Owest Alcatel, Inc.

NCX Office Developer LP Nortel Networks Inc.

AT&T

WorldCom Inc.

Southern California Edison **XO** Communications **System Services** Edocs Inc.

Adtran Inc.

Extreme Networks

Level 3 Communications LLC

NEC America, Inc.

Sunbelt Telecommunications

Assured Industries

Sprint

**EMC Corporation** JP Morgan Chase Lucent Technologies **DSET Corporation** 

The Point Group Advance Telecom Res. Walker & Associates Inc. Power Conversion Products MCI Worldcom Communications Hewlett-Packard

**Creditors Under Capital Lease Agreements** 

Broadwing Communications Services, Inc. CC II Realty, Inc. CitiCapital (Fidelity Leasing) Clarity Credit Corporation Communication Systems Development, Inc. Dell Financial Services Deutsche Bank Fiber Technologies Networks, L.L.C. Fidelity Leasing **GE Capital Fleet Services** Grande Communications Networks, Inc. Level 3 Communications, LLC LINC Receivables Looking Glass Networks, Inc. Metromedia Fiber Network Service, Inc. RCN Telecom Services, Inc.

#### The Bank Group

**United Capital** 

Sony Financial Services

**Sprint Communications Company** 

**GE Capital Services** ABN Amro Bank Absolute Rec Hedge LP Absolute Rec Hedge LTD Bank Austria Bank of America Bank of Nova Scotia Bayerische Hypo **BNP** Paribas CIT Lending Services Cor Cobank Credit Suisse First Boston Dresdner Bank Fleet Fortis Bank Goldman Sachs Gryphon Master Fund, LP **IBM Credit Corporation** 

ING Capital Corp.
Langley Partners, LP
Morgan Stanley Senior Funding
Pauraque Partners
R2 Investments,
R2 Top Hat, LTD
Toronto Dominion
UBS AG
Union Bank of California

#### Indenture Trustee

The Bank Of New York

#### **Beneficiaries of Performance Bonds**

Beebe Medical Center
Central Washington University
City of Billings Montana
City of Seattle
Fallon Clinic, Inc.
Frederick Community College
Holtz Hotel
Lehigh County Gov. Center
Pacific Bell
Portland Community College
Rhode Island College
Southern Illinois University
Southwest Preparatory

#### **Bondholders of 12 7/8% Senior Notes**

Acuity Mutual Insurance Company Allianz of America, Inc. American Express Financial Corp. Atlantic Security Bank Blackrock Financial Management, Inc. Canyon Capital Cardinal Investments Chase Manhattan Bank Chubb Asset Managers, Inc. Clarion Everett Investment Co. L.P. **EWR** Investments First National Bank of Wahoo Goldman Sachs Asset Management High View Capital Management HL Chapman Investments Ltd.

Indosuez Capital

Julius Baer Asset Management Kaiser-Francis Oil Company Kingdon Capital Management Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co.

Merchant Securities MM&B Holdings LLC Nationwide Provident Pioneer Insurance Group

Plains LTD

Spectrum Advisory Services, Inc. Putnam Investment Management

Ricco Family Partners Royce & Associates, LLC Sanibel L.P.

TJK Partners Inc.

#### **Bondholders of 11 3/4% Senior Discount** Notes

AJM Holdings

Alexander Capital Management

Allian of America, Inc. Altantic Security Bank

American Express Financial Management

Bank of Butterfield Bermuda

Bank of Montreal Cardinal Partners Chase Manhattan Bank CIBC Oppenheimer

Credit Suisse Asset Management, LLC Conseco Capital Management, Inc. Delaware Investment Advisers, Inc.

DKR Saturn Event Driven Holding Fund Ltd.

Euroclear Main Account **EWR Investments** 

F&C Management Limited

**GLG Partners** 

Goldman Sachs Asset Management

Gryphon Capital Corp., LLC

I.G. Investment Management, Ltd.

Invesco Funds Group

Kaiser-Francis Oil Company

Kingdom Capital Management Corp.

Lap Investments Merchant Securities

Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (U.K.)

Millenium Partners

ML CBO

Morgan Stanley Investment Management, Inc.

Mount Washington CBO

New York Life Insurance Company Patsy R Smith Investments LP Phoenix Administration Services

Romulus Holdings Inc.

Silver Point Capital Management

Tejas Securities Group Trident Trust Co.

#### **Professionals**

Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, Feld LLP

FTI Consulting Greenhill & Co.

KPMG Peat Marwick

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP

#### Landlords

111 Chelsea LLC c/o Insignia/ESG, Inc.

1120 Vermont Avenue Associates

1400 Centrepark Limited 1415 Louisiana KILTD

1515 Market Street Associates c/o West World

Management, Inc.

1818 Market VEF II, LLC c/o Albert B.

Ashforth,

LLC

2255 Partners, L.P. c/o M. David Paul

Development

LLC

75-101 Federal St., L.L.C. c/o Equity Office

**Properties Trust** 9706 LLC

ADA Properties No. 2, Ltd. Allegheny Center Associates

AMB Property L.P. ASP Valley Forge, L.P.

Bank Building Limited Partnership

Bank of America, N.A. c/o Trammell Crow

BHX, LLCc/o The Bulfinch Companies, Inc.

Boston Properties Limited Partnership

BP Commerce, LLC

BRE/Metrocenter LLC c/o Realty Management

CalEast Industrial Investors, LLC, Herndon

Park c/o CB Richard Ellis

Callowhill Management, Inc.

Carlyle Airport Technology Trust

Chippewa Enterprises, Inc.

CIN Meadows, LLC c/o Lingue Management

Company, Inc.

Connecticut General Life Insurance c/o

CarrAmerica

**Realty Corporation** 

Conservation International Foundation

Cornerstone Suburban Office, L. P.

Distribution Drive, L.P.

**Downtown Properties LLC** 

Eastridge Properties I Corporation

Electronic Data Systems Corporation

EOP Second and Spring, L.L.C. c/o Equity

Office

**Properties Trust** 

**EOP Summit Limited Partnership** 

**Equity Office Properties Trust** 

**Equity Office Properties** 

Exchange Center Partnership c/o John J. Roper

Company

First Industrial Development Services, L.P.

First Parker Realty L.L.C.

FRM Associates, LLC c/o Marquette Plaza

FSP Telecom Business Center

G&C Realty Company, LLC c/o Hotel Edison

Gaedeke Holdings, Ltd.

Gary A. Jones, Trustee of the Jones Family

Trust

Gateway Taft, Inc. c/o RREEF Real Estate

**Investment Managers** 

Globe Building Company

Great Lakes REIT, L.P.

Green 90 Broad, LLC

Guardian Westwood LLC

Hitachi Electronic Devices

Hood Business Park LLC

**Hudson Telegraph Associates** 

Indianapolis Spec Office Investments, L.P.

Insignia/ESG Sunnyvale

JERIBRE Austin Tech, L.P, c/o Trammell Crow

Central Texas, Ltd.

Jetstar Partners, Ltd. C/o Collinternational, Inc.

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company

Jones Lang LaSalle Management Services I

KM Complex, L.P.

L.A.T. Investment Corporation

LA/GA Business Centers, Inc. c/o Ackerman &

Company

Lake Street Industrial Partners

Lakeview Business Center

Laurel Office Park Partnership III

Madison Third Building Companies, LLC c/o

Cohen

**Brothers Realty Corporation** 

Marietta Street Partners, LLC

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company

c/o

Transwestern Commercial Services

Meadowlands Investments, L.L.C.

Mendota Office Holdings LLC c/o United

**Properties** 

Miami RPFIV Airport Corporate Center

Associates

Midway Commerce Park Properties, L.P.

Multi-Employer Trust/Riggs Bank c/o Trammell

Crow Company

NCX Office Development, L.P.

NeXcomm Asset Acquisition I, L.P.

Northwestern Corporate Center Associates, L.P.

North Hayward Corporate Center Associates

Northwestern Development Company "B" c/o

Blake

Real Estate Inc.

Oakcrest Development c/o Lewis Operating

Corporation

Olympia Properties, L.L.C. c/o Jones LaSalle

Management Services, Inc.

Orange County Business Center LLC

PERA 1-373, Inc. c/o Jones Lang LaSalle

PhilaCompany

Principal Properties, L.P. c/o Denholz

Management, Inc.

Prospect West C.L.P.

Pyramid Investment Corporation

Rockside Square One c/o The King Group

Rostand Associates, L.L.C.

**Scott Properties** 

Shurgard of Melville

SM Brell, L.P.

Southfield TechnoeCenter RE 1, L.L.C.

St. Paul Properties, Inc.

Stanplace Limited Partnership

Sterling Network Exchange, LLC

Teachers Insurance & Annuity Association of

America c/o CB Richard Ellis

The Irvine Company

The Pennsylvania Building Company

Thomas Properties Group LLC

Touchstone Partners I LLC c/o Integrated Real

Estate

Services, L.L.C.

T-Pac Investments, Inc. c/o Essex Realty

Management

T-REX Technology Centers, LLC

**Trinity National Corporation** 

Trizec Holdings, Inc.

Troy Place Associates c/o Nemer Property

Group

W5 Brannan LP

Wachovia Bank, N.A.

WE'RE Associates

Webster Street Partners, Ltd.

WHVPW Real Estate Limited Partnership c/o

Trammell Crow Company

WMP IV Real Estate Limited Partnership

WXIII/FAR Yale Real Estate Limited

Partnership

Zink Family Limited Partnership

#### **Insurers**

Marsh USA

Unimark Insurance Agency, Inc.

#### **Equity Security Holders**

Anthony Parella

**Barclays Global Investors** 

California Public Employees Retirement System

Charles Daniel Yost

Dimensional Fund Advisors Ind.

Frontenac Funds

James Crawford

JHC Capital Management, LLC

Madison Dearborn

Morgan Stanley Investment Management

Olive Hill Investments

OverHill Investment

Palo Alto Investors

Royce & Associates, L,L.C.

Royce J. Holland

State Street Global Advisors

Thomas M. Lord

Vanguard Group, Inc.

West Highland Capital Inc.

#### **Beneficiaries of Letters of Credit**

111 Eighth Avenue LLC

805 Third Avenue Co.

Hartford Fire Insurance Company

Pyramid Investment Corporation

Rockside Square One

Spaulder and Slye Services LP

Touchstone Partners I LLC

#### **Significant Vendors**

Adtran Ind.

Advance Telecom Res.

Alcatel Inc.

Ameritech

**Assured Industries** 

AT&T

**Broadwing Communication Services** 

Daleen Solutions Inc.

**DSET Corporation** 

Edocs Inc.

**EMC Corporation** 

Extreme Networks

JP Morgan Chase

Looking Glass Networks

Lucent Technologies Inc.

Metromedia Fiber Network Inc.

MFS Telecom Inc.

NCX Office Developer LP

NEC America, Inc.

Nortel Networks

Pacific Bell

Qwest

Southern California Edison

Southwestern Bell

Sprint

**Sunbelt Telecommunications** 

**System Services** 

The Point Group

Verizon

Verizon (GTE-SW) - Line Coast

Walker & Associates

WorldCom Inc.

XO Communications

#### **Significant Customers**

Genuity

Southern Illinois University

Verizon

**SBC** 

Level 3 Communications, LLC

Office Depot

**TJMAXX** 

AT&T

Owest

Worlddom

Center For Disease Control

New York Hospital

Beebe Medical Center

Cathedral Healthcare

City of Atlanta

New York Housing Authority

Iron Mountain

Phila/Police Association

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution

Control Dist.

Digital Federal Credit Union

Ritz Carlton

Banner Health System

Swiss Re Financial Services

United States Army Reserve Center

Palmer & Dodge, LLP

Auburn University - Telecom Bldg.

Kaplan Inc.

Cozen & O'Connor

**Boston College** 

Bell South

EMC Corp.

Odysey Ressurance Holdings- Kuhl Avenue

**Concord Communications** 

Phila/Youth Study Center

Harcourt Inc-Orlando

Harris County Hospital District

Arch Chemicals

ABC Unified School District

**IDX Systems** 

Trinity Medical Center

Stop & Shop

Conconi City Hall

Millpore Corporation

Global Crossing

**Sprint** 

Bristol Hospital/SIC Healthcare

Queen of the Valley

Medical Manager

Arizona Dept. of Transportation

Martha Stewart Living

#### Judgment Lien Holder

Stephen Wrathell, CPA, P

### **Akin Gump's Telecommunications Connections**

Globalstar Capital L.P.,

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of

WorldCom, Inc.

Informal Senior Secured Noteholders

Committee of Adelphia Business Solutions, Inc.,

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of

Focal Communications, Inc.

Call-Net Enterprises, Inc.,

Broadview N.P. Acquisition Corp. Broadview

Networks, Inc.,

Ad Hoc Committee of Broadwing

Communications, Inc.,

Verizon Communications, Inc.,

#### **Major Competitors**

AT&T

BellSouth

LDMI/MPower

MCI WorldCom

McLeod

Owest

**SBC** 

Time Warner Telecom

Verizon

#### **EXHIBIT D**

#### ALLEGIANCE CONFLICTS - RESULTS OF CONFLICTS CHECK

#### Filing Entities, Prior Names of Filing Entities and Additional Filing Entities

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented Allegiance Telecom, Inc. on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtor's Chapter 11 Cases.

#### **Parties to Litigation**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented State Farm Insurance and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of said company on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

#### **Top 40 Unsecured Creditors**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

JPMorgan Chase Bank Lucent Technologies XO Communications WorldCom Inc.

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Hewlett Packard
Grande Communications Networks, Inc.
AT&T Corp.
Verizon Communications
Qwest Communications
Sprint Communications Company

#### **Creditors Under Capital Lease Agreements**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Deutsche Bank Metromedia Fiber Network Service, Inc.

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain

affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

**Sprint Communications Company** 

#### **The Bank Group**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Credit Suisse First Boston Fleet National Bank

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented ABN AMRO Bank, N.V. and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of said company on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

#### **Indenture Trustee**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents The Bank of New York and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of said company on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

#### Bondholders of 12 1/8% Senior Notes

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

American Express Financial Corp.

JPMorgan Chase Bank (f/k/a Chase Manhattan Bank)

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Clarion

#### Bondholders of 11 3/4% Senior Notes

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Credit Suisse Asset Management, L.L.C.

JPMorgan Chase Bank (f/k/a Chase Manhattan Bank)

New York Life Insurance Co.

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Merril Lynch Investment Managers/ Merril Lynch

#### **Professionals**

Kelley Drye has not, in the past two years, represented any of the professionals connected with the Allegiance Telecom, Inc. bankruptcy case.

#### **Landlords**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Teachers Insurance & Annuity Association of America Wachovia Bank, N.A.
Connecticut General Life Insurance c/o CarrAmerica Electronic Data Systems Corporation
Jones Lang Lasalle Management Services

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

CB Richard Ellis

#### **Equity Security Holders**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Barclay's Global Investors/ Barclay's Bank State Street Global Advisors/ State Street Bank

#### **Beneficiaries of Letters of Credit**

Kelley Drye has not, in the past two years, represented any of the beneficiaries of letters of credit in the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

#### Significant Vendors

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

JPMorgan Chase Bank Lucent Technologies Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc. WorldCom, Inc. XO Communications

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Qwest Communications Sprint Communications Verizon Communications

#### **Significant Customers**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

New York Hospital

#### **Major Competitors**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Verizon Communications Qwest Communications AT&T

#### Members of the Creditors' Committee

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, and currently represents the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

The Bank of New York

#### **Akin Gump's Telecommunications Connections**

Kelley Drye has, in the past two years, represented the following companies and/or certain affiliates and subsidiaries of such companies on matters wholly unrelated to the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases:

Verizon Communications, Inc. Adelphia Business Solutions

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:	: :	Chapter 11
ALLEGIANCE TELECOM, INC., et al.,	:	Case No. 03-13057 (RDD)
Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
	X	

# ORDER APPROVING THE RETENTION OF KELLEY DRYE & WARREN LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

Upon consideration of the application dated December 5, 2003 (the "Application") of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for authority to retain and employ Kelley Drye & Warren LLP ("Kelley Drye"), as Special Counsel to the Committee; and upon the Affidavit of Mark R. Somerstein in support thereof (the "Somerstein Affidavit"); and the Court being satisfied, based on the representations made in the Application and the Somerstein Affidavit, that Kelley Drye does not represent any interest adverse to the Committee in connection with the matters for which it is to be retained and that the Committee's retention and employment of Kelley Drye should be approved; and it appearing that due notice of the Application has been given and no further notice need be given; and good and sufficient cause appearing;

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application is granted in all respects.
- 2. The Committee is authorized to retain and employ Kelley Drye as special counsel, *nunc pro tunc* to June 20, 2003, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1103, on the

terms described in the Application and the Somerstein Affidavit, to perform the services as set forth in the Application.

- 3. Kelley Drye shall be compensated in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and shall file applications in compliance with the Bankruptcy Code, applicable Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Local Rules of the Court, and such other orders and procedures as may be fixed by this Court in these cases, including those permitting partial payment of compensation and full reimbursement of expenses in these cases on a monthly basis.
- 4. Upon the Application and the Somerstein Affidavit, the Court finds that Kelley Drye does not hold or represent any interest adverse to the estates and that Kelley Drye is a disinterested person.

Dated: New York, New York	
December , 2003	
	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY HIDGE