

YOUNG LEE, AS VICTIM'S  
REPRESENTATIVE,

Appellant,

v.

STATE OF MARYLAND

\* IN THE  
\* APPELLATE COURT  
\* OF MARYLAND  
\* September Term, 2022  
\* No. 1291  
\* (Cir. Ct. No. 199103042)

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**ORDER**

Upon consideration of the "Unopposed Motion for Special Admission of Out-of-State Attorney Under Rule 19-217," it is this 6th day of January 2023,


ORDERED that the motion is denied. Pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-217(a)(1) an attorney in an action "may move that an attorney who is a member in good standing of the Bar of another state be admitted to practice in this State *for the limited purpose of appearing and participating in the action as co-counsel with the movant.*" (emphasis added). Further, "an attorney specially admitted pursuant to this Rule may act only as co-counsel for a party represented by an attorney of record in the action who is admitted to practice in this State." 19-217(d). In this motion, counsel for appellee Adnan Syed, Erica Suter, moves for the special admission of out-of-state counsel, not to act as her co-counsel, but to represent the interests of a proposed amicus curiae. Ms. Suter also requests that her appearance be waived pursuant to Rule 19-217(d). It is unclear to the Court whether this request to waive appearance is made for the purposes of permitting the proposed amicus counsel to present oral argument in Ms. Suter's place. Maryland Rule 8-511(f) provides that an amicus curiae may not participate in oral argument absent permission of the Court and that "[p]ermission may be granted only for extraordinary reasons." The motion does not detail any extraordinary reasons to permit amicus curiae to participate in oral argument. This Order is without prejudice to the proposed amicus

curiae to move for leave to file an amicus curiae brief and, if necessary, seek special admission for out-of-state counsel upon motion of a Maryland attorney who would serve as co-counsel for the proposed amicus curiae.



For a Panel of the Court

CHIEF JUDGE'S SIGNATURE  
APPEARS ON ORIGINAL ORDER

  
Gregory Wells, Chief Judge