1 Honorable Christopher M. Alston Chapter 11 2 Ex Parte 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 10 In re: Case No. 16-11767 11 Northwest Territorial Mint, LLC, EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR ORDER APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF 12 **CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE** Debtor. 13 14 15 The United States Trustee hereby applies pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1104(d) and Fed.R.Bankr.P. 2007.1 for an ex parte order approving the appointment of Mark Thomas Calvert 16 as chapter 11 trustee for Northwest Territorial Mint, LLC (the "Debtor") in the above-captioned 17 case. In support of this application, the United States Trustee respectfully states: 18 1. On April 8, 2016, the Court entered an Order directing the appointment of a 19 chapter 11 trustee herein. 20 2. The United States Trustee has appointed Mark Thomas Calvert, a disinterested 21 person, as the chapter 11 trustee. 22 3. In making the appointment, the United States Trustee consulted with the 23 following parties in interest: counsel for the Debtor; counsel for the Debtor's principal Mr. 24 Hansen; counsel for unsecured creditors Bradley Cohen and Cohen Asset Management, Inc.; 25 counsel for a large consignment creditor; counsel for several smaller unsecured creditors; and 26 several pro se large unsecured creditors..

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4. To the best of the United States Trustee's knowledge, Mr. Calvert's connections with the Debtor, creditors, and any other parties in interest, their respective attorneys and accountants, the United States Trustee, and persons employed in the Office of the United States Trustee are limited to the connections set forth in the attached Chapter 11 Trustee's Acceptance and Declaration.

WHEREFORE, the United States Trustee requests that the Court enter an Order approving the appointment of Mark Thomas Calvert as chapter 11 trustee in this case.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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