# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA WEST PALM BEACH DIVISION

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In re:

Chapter 11

### PALM BEACH FINANCE PARTNERS, L.P., PALM BEACH FINANCE II, L.P.<sup>1</sup>

Case No. 09-36379-PGH Case No. 09-36396-PGH (Jointly Administered)

Debtors.

# JOHN H. GENOVESE AND GENOVESE JOBLOVE & BATTISTA, P.A.'S SEVENTH INTERIM POST CONFIRMATION FEE APPLICATION

1.	Name of Applicant:	Genovese Joblove & Battista, P.A.	
2.	Role of Applicant:	Liquidating Trustee's Expert	
3.	Name of Certifying Professional:	John H. Genovese	
4.	Date cases filed:	November 30, 2009	
5.	Date of application for employment:	March 28, 2012 [ECF No. 1155]	
6.	Date of order approving employment:	September 12, 2002 [ECF No. 1406] nunc pro tunc to March 27, 2012	
7.	If debtor's counsel, date of Disclosure of Compensation form:	N/A	
8.	Date of this application:	August 26, 2014	
9.	Dates of services covered:	March 1, 2014 - June 30, 2014	
Fees			
10.	Total fee requested for this period (from E	xhibit 1): \$ 13,938.00	
11.	Balance remaining in fee retainer account,	not yet awarded: \$ 0.00	
12.	Fees paid or advanced for this period, by o	other sources: \$ 0.00	
13.	Net amount of fee requested for this per	riod: \$ 13,938.00	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The address and last four digits of the taxpayer identification number for each of the Debtors are as follows: (i) Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P., 3601 PGA Blvd., Suite 301, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410, TIN 9943; and (ii) Palm Beach Finance II, L.P., 3601 PGA Blvd., Suite 301, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410, TIN 0680.

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Expe	Expenses		
14.	Total expense reimbursement requested for this period:	\$	35.16
15.	Balance remaining in expense retainer account, not yet received:	\$	0.00
16.	Expenses paid or advanced for this period, by other sources:	\$	0.00
17.	Net amount of expense reimbursements requested for this period	\$	35.16
18.	Gross award requested for this period (#10 + #14)	\$	13,973.16
19.	Net award requested for this period (#13 + #17)	\$	13,973.16

## History of Fees and Expenses

1. Dates, sou	rces, and amounts of retainers receiv	red:	
Dates	Sources	Amounts	For fees or costs?
N/A			
2. Dates, sou	rces, and amounts of third party pays	ments received:	
Dates	Sources	Amounts	For fees or costs?
N/A			
3. Prior fee a	and expense awards		
First interim app	lication [ECF No. 1375]	_	
Dates covered by	first application:	March 27, 2012	2 through June 30, 2012
Amount of fees requested:		\$	5,348.00
Amount of expenses requested:		\$	30.85
Amount of fees awarded:		\$	5,348.00
Amount of expense	es awarded:	\$	30.85
Amount of fee reta	ainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Amount of expense	e retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Fee award, net of	retainer:	\$	0.00
Expense award, ne	et of retainer:	\$	0.00
Date of first award:		September 26, 2	2012 [ECF No. 1427]
Amount of fees ac	tually paid:	\$	5,348.00
Amount of expense	e reimbursement actually paid:	\$	30.85

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Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Second interim application [ECF No. 1580]		
Dates covered by second application:	July 1, 2012 throug	h October 31, 2012
Amount of fees requested:	\$	2,167.50
Amount of expenses requested:	\$	60.75
Amount of fees awarded:	\$	2,167.50
Amount of expenses awarded:	\$	60.75
Amount of fee retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Amount of expense retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Fee award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00
Expense award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00
Date of second award:	January 31, 2013 [ECF No. 1694]	
Amount of fees actually paid:	\$	2,167.50
Amount of expense reimbursement actually paid:	\$	60.75
Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Third interim application [ECF No. 1817]		
Dates covered by third application:	November 1, 2012	thru February 28, 2013
Amount of fees requested:	\$	3,644.00
Amount of expenses requested:	\$	115.36
Amount of fees awarded:	\$	3,644.00
Amount of expenses awarded:	\$	115.36
Amount of fee retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Amount of expense retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Fee award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00
Expense award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00

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Date of third award:	June 5, 2013 [E	CF No. 1872]
Amount of fees actually paid:	\$	3,644.00
Amount of expense reimbursement actually paid:	\$	115.36
Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Fourth interim application [ECF No. 1939]		
Dates covered by fourth application:	March 1, 2013 t	hru June 30, 2013
Amount of fees requested:	\$	1,675.00
Amount of expenses requested:	\$	49.80
Amount of fees awarded:	\$	1,675.00
Amount of expenses awarded:	\$	49.80
Amount of fee retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Amount of expense retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00
Fee award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00
Expense award, net of retainer:	\$	0.00
Date of fourth award:	October 7, 2013 [ECF No. 1986]	
Amount of fees actually paid:	\$	1,675.00
Amount of expense reimbursement actually paid:	\$	49.80
Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$	0.00
Fifth interim application [ECF No. 2068]		
Dates covered by fifth application:	July 1, 2013 thr	u October 31, 2013
Amount of fees requested:	\$	11,214.50
Amount of expenses requested:	\$	66.10
Amount of fees awarded:	\$	11,214.50
Amount of expenses awarded:	\$	66.10
Amount of fee retainer authorized to be used:	\$	0.00

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Amount of expense retainer authorized to be used:	\$ 0.00
Fee award, net of retainer:	\$ 0.00
Expense award, net of retainer:	\$ 0.00
Date of fifth award:	January 29, 2014 [ECF No. 2143]
Amount of fees actually paid:	\$ 11,214.50
Amount of expense reimbursement actually paid:	\$ 66.10
Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$ 0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$ 0.00
Sixth interim application [ECF No. 2237]	
Dates covered by sixth application:	November 1, 2013 thru February 28, 2014
Amount of fees requested:	\$ 4,272.00
Amount of expenses requested:	\$ 60.78
Amount of fees awarded:	\$ 4,272.00
Amount of expenses awarded:	\$ 60.78
Amount of fee retainer authorized to be used:	\$ 0.00
Amount of expense retainer authorized to be used:	\$ 0.00
Fee award, net of retainer:	\$ 0.00
Expense award, net of retainer:	\$ 0.00
Date of sixth award:	June 5, 2014 [ECF No. 2327]
Amount of fees actually paid:	\$ 4,272.00
Amount of expense reimbursement actually paid:	\$ 60.78
Portion of fees requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$ 0.00
Portion of expenses requested but not awarded, which applicant wishes to defer to final fee application:	\$ 0.00

Summary of All Prior Applications and Awards	_	
Total fees requested:	\$	28,321.00
Total fees awarded:	\$	28,321.00
Prior fees awarded but not yet paid, if any (do not include holdbacks in this number)	\$	0.00
Total prior fees requested but not awarded, deferred to final fee application	\$	0.00
Total expenses requested:	\$	383.64
Total expenses awarded:	\$	383.64
Prior expenses awarded but not yet paid, if any (do not include holdbacks in this number)	\$	0.00
Total prior expenses requested but not awarded, deferred to final fee application	\$	0.00

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated August 7, 2012			
Dates covered by invoicing:	March 27, 2012 through June 30, 2012		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 5,378.85		
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 5,378.85		
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated August 14, 2012			
Dates covered by invoicing:	July 1, 2012 through July 31, 2012		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 616.50		
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 616.50		
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated September 26, 2012			
Dates covered by invoicing:	August 1, 2012 through August 31, 2012		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 120.00		
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 120.00		
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated November 20, 2012			
Dates covered by invoicing:	September 1, 2012 through October 31, 2012		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 1,491.75		
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 1,491.75		

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated December 20, 2012		
Dates covered by invoicing:	November 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012	
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 1,339.50	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 1,339.50	
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated	January 24, 2013	
Dates covered by invoicing: December 1, 2012 through December 31, 2		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 502.00	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 502.00	
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated March 21, 2013		
Dates covered by invoicing:	January 1, 2013 through February 28, 2013	
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 1,917.86	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 1,917.86	
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated May 31, 2013		
Dates covered by invoicing:	April 1, 2013 through April 30, 2013	
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 854.80	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 854.80	
Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated	June 11, 2013	
Dates covered by invoicing:	May 1, 2013 through May 31, 2013	
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 870.00	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 870.00	

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated December 6, 2013		
Dates covered by invoicing:July 1, 2013 through October 31, 2013		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 11,280.60	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 11,280.60	

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated December 6, 2013		
Dates covered by invoicing:November 1, 2013 through November 30, 201		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 2,236.50	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection: \$		

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Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated January 29, 2014		
Dates covered by invoicing:December 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013		
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 854.00	
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection: \$ 854.		

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated March 4, 2014					
Dates covered by invoicing:January 1, 2014 through January 31, 2014					
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 865.78				
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 865.78				

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated March 12, 2014				
Dates covered by invoicing:February 1, 2014 through February 28, 2014				
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 376.50			
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 376.50			

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated April 15, 2014				
Dates covered by invoicing:	March 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014			
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$ 3,249.48			
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$ 3,249.48			

Monthly POST CONFIRMATION invoicing dated July 15, 2014				
Dates covered by invoicing:	April 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014			
Amount of fees and expenses requested:	\$	10,723.68		
Amount of fees and expenses paid absent objection:	\$	10,723.68		

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Debtors.

### SEVENTH INTERIM POST CONFIRMATION FEE APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF JOHN H. GENOVESE AND GENOVESE JOBLOVE & BATTISTA, <u>P.A. AS EXPERTS TO CHAPTER 11 LIQUIDATING TRUSTEE</u>

Genovese Joblove & Battista, P.A. ("*GJB*"), having been approved by this Court as expert consultants for Chapter 11 Liquidating Trustee, Barry E. Mukamal ("*Trustee*"), applies for allowance of compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of the necessary expenses paid or incurred by GJB between March 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014, and in support states:

1. On November 30, 2009, Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P. (the "Debtor") filed its

Voluntary Petition for relief under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code [ECF No. 1].

On December 1, 2009, this case was jointly administered with the estate of In re Palm Beach

Finance II, L.P., Case No. 09-36396-PGH [ECF No. 19].

2. On January 28, 2010, the Court entered the Agreed Order Directing Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustee and denying the United States Trustee's Motion to Convert Cases to Cases under Chapter 7 [ECF No. 100].

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3. On January 29, 2010, the United States Trustee appointed the Liquidating Trustee as Trustee in both estates [ECF No. 107].

4. On April 18, 2012, this Court entered an Order [ECF No. 1202] granting the Liquidating Trustee's Application to Employ John H. Genovese and Genovese Joblove & Battista, P.A. as expert consultants to the Liquidating Trustee, which was amended by Court Order [ECF No, 1406] on September 12, 2012 so that the retention of the Applicant.

5. At the confirmation hearing held on October 19, 2010, the Court confirmed the *Second Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation of Barry Mukamal, as Chapter 11 Trustee of Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P. and Palm Beach Finance II, L.P. and Geoffrey Varga, as Joint Official Liquidator of Palm Beach Offshore, Ltd. And Palm Beach Offshore II, Ltd., dated September 3, 2010* [ECF No. 245] (the "*Plan*") in the above referenced jointly administered bankruptcy proceeding. The Plan defines Confirmation Date as "the date on which the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order on its docket". The Order Confirming Second Amended Joint Liquidating Chapter 11 Plan [ECF No. 444] (the "*Confirmation Order*") was entered on the Court's docket on October 21, 2010.

- 6. Article 7 of the Plan provides:
  - 7.1.4 *PBF Liquidating Trust Management*. Barry Mukamal shall be PBF Liquidating Trustee with the power and authority set forth in the PBF Liquidating Trust Agreement.
  - 7.1.5 *PBF Liquidating Trust Structure*. As more fully set forth in the PBF Liquidating Trust Agreement, the PBF Liquidating Trustee shall oversee and direct the PBF Liquidating Trust's operations and activities, including the retention of counsel...
  - 7.1.7 *PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor*. Geoffrey Varga, as Joint Official Liquidator for Offshore Funds shall be the PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor with the power and authority set forth in the PBF II Liquidating Trust Agreement.

- 7.1.11 Compensation of Professionals Retained by the Liquidating Trustees and the PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor. Professionals retained by the PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor and the Liquidating Trustee shall be entitled to monthly interim compensation for fees and expenses incurred in carrying out their duties consistent with the Plan and the Liquidating Trust Agreements; provided, however, that the PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor or the Liquidating Trustee shall provide to the other, and the United States Trustee, notice of such requested fees and expenses on a monthly basis. Following such notice, if no objections to the fees and expenses set forth in the monthly statement are received in writing within 10 business days, 100% of such professional's fees and expenses shall be paid. Notice of objections to such fees and expenses shall be made via e-mail and/or facsimile. If objections to the fees and expenses are made and cannot be resolved, such objections will be heard and resolved by the Bankruptcy Court. Any such fees and expenses shall be payable from the Trust Asset of the Liquidating Trusts. The PBF II Liquidating Trust Monitor and the Liquidating Trustee shall, no less frequently than once every four (4) months, submit applications to the Bankruptcy Court for final approval of reimbursement of fees and expenses paid to their professionals.
- 7. This application is submitted pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 331 for the allowance and

payment to GJB in the amount of \$13,938 for fees and \$35.16 for expenses incurred between

March 1, 2014 and June 30, 2014, for a total amount of \$13,973.16.

8. All of the services rendered by GJB were performed for and on behalf of the unidating Trustee

Liquidating Trustee.

# I. SUMMARY OF SERVICES RENDERED

9. GJB rendered varied services as experts on behalf of the Liquidating Trustee for the period of time from March 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014. GJB is requesting \$13,938 in professional fees for services rendered. GJB logged a total of 34.50 hours at hourly rates ranging from \$175 -\$595 during the time period for which fees were required in this fee application.

10. GJB devoted 34.50 hours, for a total of \$13,938, towards, among other things: (i) the preparation and attendance of a conference call regarding expert disclosures; (ii) research, review and analysis relating to preparation of expert report; (iii) extensive document review relating to the

Mukamal v. Fulbright litigation matter; and (iv) the preparation and attendance of a hearing with Trustee's counsel regarding GJB's sixth interim fee application.

#### II. <u>REQUEST FOR COMPENSATION</u>

11. Pursuant to the decisions of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in <u>In re First Colonial Corp. of America</u>, 544 F.2d 1291 (5th Cir. 1977); and <u>In re Johnson v.</u> <u>Georgia Highway Express, Inc.</u>, 488 F.2d 714 (5th Cir. 1974), the applicant requests that this Court consider the following factors in determining the amount of compensation that is reasonable for the applicant's services in this case.

### III. TIME AND LABOR REQUIRED

12. The transcribed time records and details of services rendered by GJB are attached hereto as Exhibit 3. GJB has devoted 34.50 hours in time in providing services to the Liquidating Trustee between March 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014. Attached as Exhibit 1-A is a Summary of Professional and Paraprofessional Time Total Per Individual for this Period Only and attached as Exhibit 1-B is a Summary of Professional and Paraprofessional Time by Activity Code Category for this Time Period Only. Also attached as Exhibit 2 is a Summary of Requested Reimbursement of Expenses for this Time Period Only.

13. All professionals of GJB record the time expended in the rendition of professional services for the Liquidating Trustee by recording a detailed description of such professional services rendered.

14. All professionals involved in the rendering of services in this proceeding avoided any unnecessary duplication of work and time expended.

#### IV. NOVELTY AND DIFFICULTY OF THE ISSUES AND QUESTIONS PRESENTED

15. GJB was retained by the Liquidating Trustee as experts providing consulting and possible expert testifying services in contested matters on one or more adversary proceedings commenced by the Liquidating Trustee, including the evaluation of issues relating to fraudulent schemes, attorney malpractice and negligence, and breaches of duties and responsibilities in the professional context, as well as other related or similar analyses that the Liquidating Trustee may request.

#### V. SKILL REQUISITE TO PERFORM THE LEGAL SERVICES PROPERLY

16. GJB submits that the professionals assigned to these cases have the requisite experience, seniority and skills necessary to effectively and efficiently meet the requirements of the tasks required. GJB believes it has demonstrated the requisite, substantial expertise to skillfully provide its services.

#### VI. PRECLUSION FROM OTHER EMPLOYMENT

17. Though GJB has devoted time as expert consultants for the Liquidating Trustee as more fully set forth in Exhibit 3, GJB has not been forced to decline other matters as a result of its accepting this employment.

#### VII. <u>CUSTOMARY FEE</u>

18. The hourly rate charged is GJB's customary fee for services of the type rendered herein.

#### VIII. <u>TIME LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THE CLIENT</u> <u>OR THE CIRCUMSTANCES</u>

19. GJB has not been required to expend considerable time within short periods.

#### IX. THE EXPERIENCE, REPUTATION AND ABILITY OF THE ATTORNEYS

20. GJB is a well-respected law firm having substantial experience in the type of services required under this engagement. The quality of work performed by GJB in this proceeding attests to the firm's experience, reputation and ability.

21. The Liquidating Trustee understands that the Court is familiar with Mr. Genovese and his credentials.

### X. THE UNDESIRABILITY OF THE CASE

22. GJB does not deem these cases to be undesirable and is honored to have been retained by the Liquidating Trustee.

### XI. <u>APPLICABLE LEGAL STANDARD</u>

23. The amount requested by GJB is reasonable in terms of awards in cases of similar magnitude and complexity. The compensation which GJB is requesting comports with the mandate of the Bankruptcy Code, which directs that services be evaluated in light of comparable services performed in non-bankruptcy cases in the community. The fee requested by GJB in the amount of \$13,938 for 34.50 hours of services. This request is entirely appropriate.

24. GJB considers the reasonable value of services rendered to this estate to be not less than \$13,938 for services rendered for the Fee Period.

### XII. ALLOCATION BETWEEN DEBTORS' ESTATES

25. The Liquidating Trustee requests that 18% of the fee awarded be allocated to Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P. ("*PBF*") and 82% of the fee awarded be allocated to Palm Beach Finance II, L.P. ("*PBF II*"). Section 1.76, entitled "Pro Rata Allocation Formula," of the Second Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation dated September 3, 2010 [ECF No. 245] provides for a *pro rata* 

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allocation formula derived from the Compiled Financial Statements, dated April 30, 2008, for each of the Debtors by Kaufman Rossin & Co. The data contained therein supports an 18%/82% allocation between PBF and PBF II, respectively, based upon the total assets of each entity as of the date of such compilations. Based on the circumstances and since the services provided by GJB were performed on behalf of and benefitted both estates, the Liquidating Trustee believes that this formula is the proper methodology to allocate certain fees and expenses between the two estates and respectfully requests the Court approve the allocation of fees requested in this Application as follows:

Estate / Percentage	Fees	Costs
Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P. (18%)	\$2,508.84	\$6.33
Palm Beach Finance II. L.P. (82%)	\$11,429.16	\$28.83
TOTAL FEES AND COSTS:	\$13,938.00	\$35.16

**WHEREFORE,** GJB respectfully requests that it be allowed the full compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought under this application. GJB requests this Court to award a total of \$13,938 for fees and \$35.16 for costs incurred between March 1, 2014 and June 30, 2014, for a total request of \$13,973.16, approve the allocation of fees and expenses between the estates and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

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#### **CERTIFICATION**

1. I have been designated by Genovese Joblove & Battista, P.A., (the "Applicant") as the professional with responsibility in these cases for compliance with the current Mandatory Guidelines on Fees and Disbursements For Professionals In The Southern District of Florida Bankruptcy Cases (the "Guidelines").

2. I have read the Applicant's application for compensation and reimbursement of costs (the "Application").

3. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the Application complies with the Guidelines.

4. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and disbursements sought fall within the Guidelines, except as specifically noted in this Certificate and described in the Application.

5. Except to the extent that fees or disbursements are prohibited or restricted by the Guidelines, the fees and disbursements sought are billed at rates and in accordance with practices customarily employed by the Applicant and generally accepted by the Applicant's clients.

6. In providing a reimbursable service or disbursement (other than time charged for paraprofessionals and professionals), the Applicant does not make a profit on that service or disbursement (except to the extent that any such profit is included within the permitted allowable amounts set forth in the Guidelines for photocopies and facsimile transmission).

7. In charging for a particular service or disbursement, the Applicant does not include in the amount for which reimbursement is sought the amortization of the cost of any investment, equipment or capital outlay (except to the extent that any such amortization is included within the permitted allowable amounts set forth herein for photocopies and facsimile transmission).

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8. In seeking reimbursement for a service which the Applicant justifiably purchased or contracted for from a third party, the Applicant is requesting reimbursement only for the amount billed to the Applicant by the third-party vendor and paid by the Applicant to such vendor.

9. The trustee, the examiner (if any), the chairperson of each official committee (if any), the debtor, the U.S. Trustee, and their respective counsels, will be mailed, simultaneously with the filing of the Application with the Court, a complete copy of the Application (including all relevant exhibits).

10. The following are the variances with the provisions of the Guidelines, the date of the specific Court approval of such departure, and the justification for the departure: None.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is true and correct.

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**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that, pursuant to that certain Order Authorizing Professionals Employed by the Liquidating Trustee and Monitor to Provide Notice of their Post Confirmation Fee Applications for Compensation in Summary Form [ECF No. 648], a Notice of Filing, which will include a Certificate of Service for the foregoing, will be filed at a later date.

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# EXHIBIT "1-A"

### Summary of Professional and Paraprofessional Time Total per Individual for this Period Only

[If this is a final application, and does not cumulate fee details from prior interim applications, then a separate Exhibit 1-A showing cumulative time summary from all applications is attached as well.]

Name	Title	Year <u>Licensed</u>	Total <u>Hours</u>	Hourly <u>Rate</u>	Total <u>Fees</u>
John H. Genovese	Attorney	1979	9.80	\$595.00	\$ 5,831.00
Marilee A. Mark	Attorney	2004	12.60	\$395.00	\$ 4,977.00
			5.10	\$350.00	\$ 1,785.00
Elizabeth Kelly	Paraprofessional	N/A	6.00	\$195.00	\$ 1,170.00
Milton J. Pacheco	Paraprofessional	N/A	1.00	\$175.00	\$ 175.00
Blended Hourly Rate				\$404.00	
Total Fees	34.50		\$ 13,938.00		

## **EXHIBIT ''1-B''** Summary of Professional and Paraprofessional Time by Activity Code Category for this Time Period Only

Professional Services						
	Name	Rate	Hours	Amount		
Attorney	John H. Genovese	\$595.00	9.80	\$	5,831.00	
Attorney	Marilee A. Mark	\$395.00	12.60	\$	4,977.00	
		\$350.00	5.10	\$	1,785.00	
Paralegal	Elizabeth Kelly	\$195.00	6.00	\$	1,170.00	
Paralegal	Milton J. Pacheco	\$175.00	1.00	\$	175.00	
CATEGORY TOTALS: 34.50					13,938.00	

## EXHIBIT "2" Summary of Requested Reimbursement Of Expenses for this Time Period Only

[If this is a final application which does not cumulate prior interim applications, a separate summary showing cumulative expenses for all applications is attached as well]

1.	Filing Fees	\$ 0.00
2.	Process Service Fees	\$ 0.00
3.	Witness Fees	\$ 0.00
4.	Court Reporter & Transcripts	\$ 0.00
5.	Lien and Title Searches	\$ 0.00
6.	Photocopies (in-house copies) ( 28 copies @ 15¢)	\$ 4.20
7.	Photocopies (outside copies)	\$ 0.00
8.	Postage	\$ 0.96
9.	Overnight Delivery Charges	\$ 0.00
10.	Outside Courier/Messenger Services	\$ 0.00
11a.	Long Distance (a) Telephone Charges	\$ 0.00
11b.	Long Distance (b) Conference Calls	\$ 0.00
12.	Long Distance Fax Transmission @ \$1.00/pg.	\$ 0.00
13.	Computerized Research	\$ 0.00
14.	Out of Southern District of Florida TravelA.TransportationB.LodgingC.Meals	\$ 0.00
15.	Other - Courtcall	\$ 30.00
TOT	AL "GROSS" AMOUNT OF REQUESTED DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 35.16

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April 15, 2014 Inv. # 77710 File # 10891-001

#### Re: Meland/Expert to B. Mukamal/Palm Beach Finance Partners

Statement for Services Rendered Through Mar 31/14

		Legal Tage	Nicola Latera	A MARKA
03/10/14	EK	Receipt, review and circulate Order Granting Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.'s Motion For Leave to Depose Inmates; preparation for Fee App.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
03/11/14	EK	Additional communications, revisions regarding materials necessary for completion of fee application.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
03/18/14	MAM	Emails and Follow Up regarding Expert Disclosure Deadlines, Document Review, and Related Issues.	0.20hr \$350.00/hr	\$70.00
03/19/14	JHG	Prepare for and attend conference call regarding expert disclosures.	1.20hr \$595.00/hr	\$714.00
03/19/14	MAM	Review, Analysis, and Conference regarding Case Status, Expert Disclosure and Report Deadlines, Document Review, Preparation of Expert Report, and Related Issues.	0.90hr \$350.00/hr	\$315.00
03/20/14	MAM	Conference with J. Genovese regarding Document Review, Preparation of Expert Report, and Related Issues.	0.50hr \$350.00/hr	\$175.00
03/25/14	MAM	Research, Review, and Analysis relating to Preparation of Expert Report.	1.10hr \$350.00/hr	\$385.00
03/26/14	MAM	Document Review.	1.70hr \$350.00/hr	\$595.00
03/26/14	EK	Preparation for meeting/document review.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
03/27/14	JHG	Review withdrawal of reference issues.	0.90hr \$595.00/hr	\$535.50
03/27/14	MAM	Review of Order on Motion to Withdraw Reference and Email to J. Genovese regarding and attaching same.	0.30hr \$350.00/hr	\$105.00

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# **EXHIBIT 3**

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03/27/14	EK	Receipt, review and cire Denying in Part Motion			0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
03/31/14	MAM	Disclosure of Experts p Related Case Manager Genovese regarding Ex	Review of Unopposed Motion to Extend Time to Exchange Disclosure of Experts pursuant to Rule 26(a)(2)(A) and Related Case Management Order and Drafted Email to J. Genovese regarding Expert Disclosure and Report Deadlines and Related Issues.			
03/31/14					0.10hr \$195.00/hr	\$19.50
		Total Legal Fees			8.30	\$3,249.00
FEE SUMM Profession			Hours	Rate	Amount	
John H Geno	vese		2.10	\$595.00	\$1,249.50	
Marilee A Ma	rk		5.10	\$350.00	\$1,785.00	
Elizabeth Ke	lly		1.10	\$195.00	\$214.50	
Total Legal I	Fees	-	8.30		\$3,249.00	
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	Postage					0.48
	Total Co	sts Advanced				\$0.48
			Total Invoi	се		\$3,249.48
			Prior Open	Balance		\$1,242.28
			Payments a	and/or Adjustments Re	eceived	\$-1,242.28
			OUTSTAN	DING BALANCE		\$3,249.48
TRUST BAL	.ANCE	\$0.00	)			

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July 15, 2014 Inv. # 78775 File # 10891-001

#### Re: Meland/Expert to B. Mukamal/Palm Beach Finance Partners

Statement for Services Rendered Through Jun 30/14

		Legal Fees		1935년 1939년 - 1937년 - 1937년 - 19 1937년 - 1937년 -
04/02/14	MAM	Review of Order Granting Unopposed Ex Parte Motion to Extend Deadline to Exchange Disclosure of Experts Required by Rule 26(a)(2)(A) and Drafted Email to J. Genovese regarding Expert Disclosure and Report Deadlines and Related Issues.	0.30hr \$395.00/hr	\$118.50
04/02/14	EK	Receipt and review of Order Granting Unopposed Motion to Extend Deadline to Exchange Expert Witness Disclosures; calendar deadline for parties to exchange Expert Witness Disclosures, including subject of experts' testimonies; calendar reminders re: report; review prior Orders.	0.40hr \$195.00/hr	\$78.00
04/09/14	EK	Review Fee Application amounts and text for accuracy.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
04/11/14	JHG	Review motion for partial summary judgment and review authority.	3.70hr \$595.00/hr	\$2,201.50
04/11/14	EK	Receipt and circulation of Partial Summary Judgment Motion and Notice of hearing for same; calendar hearing.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
04/14/14	MAM	Work on Document Review.	4.40hr \$395.00/hr	\$1,738.00
04/21/14	EK	Receipt of Subpoena for Deposition of Jonathan Bolton, Esq.; calculate local time v. HST time listed on Notice; calendar; update case profile.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
04/22/14	EK	Receipt of Notice of Taking Deposition of Mitchell Herr; calendar.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
04/25/14	MAM	Review and Drafted Status Email to J. Genovese regarding Expert Disclosure and Report Deadlines, Document Receipt and Review, and Related Issues.	0.30hr \$395.00/hr	\$118.50

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		Meland Russin & Budwick, PA 10891-001	File # 10 Inv. # 78	
04/25/14	ΕK	Receipt of Notice of Hearing for Sixth Interim Post Confirmation Fee Application for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for John H Genovese; calendar hearing; receipt of Agreed Ex Parte Motion to Continue Hearing in Mukamal v. Fulbright & Jaworski; upload Motion and Application to internal database.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
04/27/14	MAM	Review and Analysis of Fulbright's Motion for Leave to File Motion for Partial Summary Judgment and Proposed Partial Summary Judgment Motion, Drafted Internal Memo to J. Genovese regarding same, and Emails with J. Genovese regarding Related Issues.	3.30hr \$395.00/hr	\$1,303.50
04/28/14	ΕK	Receipt of Agreed Order Granting Motion to Continue Hearing on Motion for Leave to File Motion for Partial Summary Judgment; calendar hearing; calendar deadline to object to Motion.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
04/29/14	EK	Receipt of and circulate Objection to Motion for Leave to File Motion for Partial Summary Judgment; interoffice communications re: scheduled depositions and hearings.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
05/01/14	MAM	Review of Trustee's Expert Disclosures and Objection to Fulbright's Motion for Leave to File Partial Summary Judgment Motion and Email to J. Genovese regarding and attaching same.	0.30hr \$395.00/hr	\$118.50
05/02/14	MAM	Review, Emails, Conferences, and Follow Up regarding Upcoming Deposition of Mitchell Herr, Fulbright's Expert Disclosures, Fulbright's Motion for Leave to File Partial Summary Judgment Motion, and Related Issues.	0.40hr \$395.00/hr	\$158.00
05/02/14	EK	Receipt, review and circulate Initial Disclosures from Plaintiff and Defendant per FRCP 26 Required by the Order Setting Filing and Disclosure Requirements.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
05/06/14	MAM	Review and Analysis of Trustee's Objection to Fulbright's Motion for Leave to File Motion for Partial Summary Judgment and Fulbright's Rule 26(a)(2)(A) Expert Disclosures and Drafted Internal Memo to J. Genovese regarding same.	1.90hr \$395.00/hr	\$750.50
05/08/14	JHG	Review motion for partial summary judgment filed by Fulbright, examine issues raised regarding testimony.	2.90hr \$595.00/hr	\$1,725.50
05/08/14	МАМ	Review and Drafted Email to J. Genovese regarding Case Status Update, Order Granting Fulbright's Motion for Leave to File Partial Summary Judgment Motion, Fulbright's Partial Summary Judgment Motion, and Related Issues.	0.20hr \$395.00/hr	\$79.00
05/08/14	EK	Receipt of and circulate Order Granting Motion for leave to file Motion For Partial Summary Judgment and Motion.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
05/13/14	EK	Receipt and review of Order Setting Briefing Schedule on Motion for Summary Judgment; calendar deadlines and due dates; circulate.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50

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		Meland Russin & Budwick, PA 10891-001	File # 10891-001 Inv. # 78775	
05/14/14	ΕK	Receipt, review and circulate Amended Motion For Summary Judgment.	0.10hr \$195.00/hr	\$19.50
05/15/14	EK	Receipt and review of Amended Order Setting Briefing Schedule on Defendant's Motion and Amended Motion for Partial Summary Judgment.	0.10hr \$195.00/hr	\$19.50
05/16/14	EK	Receipt of numerous Notices, Cross Notices and Amended Notices of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of J. Bolton; calculate and calendar HST time to EST time.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
05/19/14	EK	Receipt of Notice of Taking Deposition of David Harrold; calendar deposition.	0.10hr \$195.00/hr	\$19.50
05/25/14	JHG	Review motion for partial summary judgment and conference regarding same.	1.10hr \$595.00/hr	\$654.50
05/28/14	EK	Preparation of hearing materials; review and inclusion of five prior Fee Apps and Orders; coordinate court call appearance.	0.60hr \$195.00/hr	\$117.00
05/30/14	EK	Receipt of Subpoena of David Harrold re deposition.	0.10hr \$195.00/hr	\$19.50
06/02/14	EK	Receipt, review, upload and circulate Statement of Undisputed Facts for Purposes of Defendant Fulbright & Jaworski's Amended Motion for Partial Summary Judgment and Opposition Response to Amended Motion For Summary Judgment.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
06/03/14	MAM	Preparation for and Attendance at Hearing on Sixth Interim Post-Confirmation Fee Application for J. Genovese and GJB and Emails, Conferences, and Follow Up regarding same.	1.30hr \$395.00/hr	\$513.50
06/05/14	MJP	Download notice of deposition of Johnathan Bolton, e-mail to J. Genovese, calendar same, save documents to database.	0.30hr \$175.00/hr	\$52.50
06/05/14	MJP	Download, circulate Second Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Johnathan Bolton on June 10, 2014, calendar same, save to dtabase.	0.30hr \$175,00/hr	\$52.50
06/06/14	MAM	Interoffice Communications regarding Continuance of Pretrial Conference and Expert Deadlines in Fulbright Litigation.	0.20hr \$395.00/hr	\$79.00
06/06/14	MJP	Download order continuing pretrial conference, circulate and save to database, calendar same.	0.40hr \$175.00/hr	\$70.00
06/09/14	EK	Receipt and circulate Order Granting Sixth Interim Post Confirmation Fee Application For Compensation; update case profile.	0.20hr \$195.00/hr	\$39.00
06/27/14	ΕK	Receipt and review of Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Neal Greenberg; calculate conversion of MDT to EDT time; calendar deposition; calendar deadline for deponent to provide docs in advance of deposition.	0.30hr \$195.00/hr	\$58.50
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John H Genovese			7.70	\$595.00	\$4,581.50	
Marilee A Mark			12.60	\$395.00	\$4,977.00	
Milton J Pacheco			1.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	
Elizabeth Kelly			4.90	\$195.00	\$955.50	
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		Payments and/or Adjustments Received		eceived	\$-3,249.48	
			OUTSTANDING BALANCE			\$10,723.68
TRUST BALANCE		\$0.00				