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Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP ("Allen Matkins"), general counsel to Krista L. Freitag ("Receiver"), the Court-appointed receiver for Defendants Pension Funding, LLC, Pension Income, LLC, and their subsidiaries, affiliates, and successors-in-interest (collectively, "Receivership Entities"), hereby submits this eighth interim application for approval and payment of fees and reimbursement of expenses ("Application"). This Application covers the period from October 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017 ("Eighth Application Period"), and seeks interim approval of \$13,362.30 in fees and \$206.53 in expenses, and an order authorizing the Receiver to pay, on an interim basis, 80% of the fees incurred (\$10,689.84) and 100% of expenses incurred. As it has throughout this case, Allen Matkins has discounted its customary hourly rates by 10%.

I. INTRODUCTION

This equity receivership arises from the Complaint for Violations of the Consumer Financial Protection Act and New York Banking and Financial Services Laws ("Complaint") (Dkt. No. 1) filed on August 20, 2015, by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ("Bureau") and Superintendent of Financial Services of the State of New York ("Superintendent"). The Appointment Order confers full powers of an equity receiver, including full power over all funds, assets, books, records, and other real or personal property of the Receivership Entities, and including all funds and assets transferred from Pension Funding, LLC or Pension Income, LLC to entities controlled or managed by Edwin Lichtig or Rex Hofelter, including PGR, LLC. The Appointment Order also authorizes the Receiver to "engage and employ attorneys, accountants, and other persons" to assist her in the performance of her duties. Dkt. No. 61, Section III(C).

The Receiver promptly determined that her experienced staff at E3 Realty Advisors, Inc., dba E3 Advisors ("E3"), as well as experienced, qualified counsel was critical due to the number of people involved, the transactional volume, and complex issues facing the receivership estate. Accordingly, the Receiver has cost-

effectively used her team at E3 to assist in carrying out receivership duties and engaged Allen Matkins to act as her counsel.

In an abundance of caution, the Receiver sought specific Court approval of Allen Matkins' employment, which was granted as reflected in the minutes of the hearing on April 13, 2016. Dkt. Nos. 71, 86. The Court also approved the Receiver's proposal to file reports and fee applications on a quarterly basis. *Id.*

II. FEE APPLICATION

This fee application should be read in conjunction with the Receiver's Eighth Interim Report ("Eighth Report") filed on January 24, 2018 (Dkt. No. 166), which describes in detail the Receiver's activities during the Eighth Application Period. This Application seeks interim approval of \$13,362.30 in fees for a total of 29.10 hours worked and payment on an interim basis of 80% of that amount, or \$10,689.84. The work performed is described task-by-task on Exhibit A and is broken down into the following categories:

| Category | Hours | Amount |
|------------------------|-------|-------------|
| Asset Investigation | 10.30 | 5,750.55 |
| Reporting | 1.80 | 963.90 |
| Claims & Distributions | .80 | 428.40 |
| Third Party Recoveries | 13.20 | 4,612.95 |
| Employment/Fees | 3.00 | 1,606.50 |
| Total Fees | 29.10 | \$13,362.30 |

Allen Matkins has worked diligently and efficiently to assist the Receiver with urgent legal issues facing the receivership estate. The firm's work has allowed the Receiver to preserve and protect the substantial value of receivership estate assets, including approximately \$2.2 million in cash, a \$1.1 million participating interest in a commercial real estate loan, as well as pension payments owed by pensioners (the majority of which assets have now been liquidated and distributed to investors with

allowed claims). Allen Matkins' work has assisted the Receiver in carrying out her Court-ordered duties and the firm should be compensated on an interim basis.

III. SUMMARY OF TASKS PERFORMED AND COSTS INCURRED

A. Categories and Descriptions of Work

1. Asset Investigation

Allen Matkins' time in this category focused on protecting the receivership estate's interests with respect to the 35 pensioner contracts affected by bankruptcy cases and 11 pensioner contracts affected by settlements or default judgments. Allen Matkins continued monitoring the bankruptcy cases for status and payments to the Receivership Entities. This work included:

- Reviewing case dockets and key filings in the cases;
- Preparing and filing necessary proofs of claim and amendments to proofs of claim;
- Communications with counsel representing bankruptcy trustees;
- Preparing and filing motions for approval of settlements;
- Providing updates to the Receiver and advising on recovery strategies;
 and
- Updating the log tracking the status of the bankruptcy cases.

Allen Matkins also assisted in communications with an attorney pensioner regarding the terms of a plan to repay his lump sum advance. The reasonable and necessary fees for work in this category total \$5,750.55.

In its order granting Allen Matkins' Third Interim Fee Application, the Court noted that the majority of the time in the Asset Investigation category was billed by partner Yale Kim at \$549 per hour and stated that if the firm's time-intensive work in the Asset Investigation category continues, the Court expects that some of that work would be delegated to an associate with a lower hourly rate. Dkt. No. 129, p. 7. Accordingly, rather than having an associate spend time becoming familiar with the numerous bankruptcy cases, Allen Matkins has written off 2.9 hours of Mr. Kim's

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time (approximately 25% of his time) during the Eighth Application Period. The time written off is reflected in the final section of the bills attached at Exhibit A entitled "Write Offs." This effectively reduces Mr. Kim's hourly rate for the Eighth Application Period from \$562.50 to \$421.88 (\$4,893.75 in fees for 11.6 hours of work, including the 2.9 hours written off).

In this regard, the receivership estate has received the benefit of Mr. Kim's partner-level skill, experience, and efficiency at an associate-level hourly rate. Moreover, as anticipated, the total fees in this category has dropped substantially since the Third Application Period (\$39,599.10).

2. Reporting

Allen Matkins' time in this category focused on preparing the Receiver's Seventh Interim Report ("Seventh Report"), which was filed on November 28, 2017. Dkt. No. 158. The Seventh Report contains a detailed description of the Receiver's activities during the third quarter of 2017, including cash recovered, forensic accounting work, investor communications, and post-receivership receipts and disbursements. The report also includes the Receiver's recommendations for the continued administration of the receivership estate. The reasonable and necessary fees for this work total \$963.90.

3. Claims and Distributions

Allen Matkins' time in this category focused on responding to specific inquiries from investors, pensioners, and their counsel concerning their claims, rising tide distributions, and other issues related to the receivership. Finally, Allen Matkins advised and assisted the Receiver in preparing investor notices regarding distributions. The reasonable and necessary fees for work in this category total \$428.40.

4. <u>Third Party Recoveries</u>

Allen Matkins' time in this category focused on two defaulted pensioner collection actions. Allen Matkins prepared and propounded written discovery

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requests for both actions. The firm also communicated with the pensioners or their counsel regarding the selection of a mediator. The majority of work in this category was performed by associate Melissa Bell at a discounted hourly rate of \$306.00. The reasonable and necessary fees for work in this category total \$4,612.95.

5. Employment/Fees

Allen Matkins time in this category focused on preparing the Seventh Interim Fee Applications of the Receiver and Allen Matkins, as required by the Court's Local Rules (L.R. 66-7(f)) and the Appointment Order (Dkt. No. 61, Section VIII). The Seventh Interim Fee Applications were filed on December 14, 2017 (Dkt. Nos. 158-159) and granted by the Court on January 25, 2018 (Dkt. No. 167). Time spent preparing required fee applications has been held to be compensable time. *See In re Nucorp Energy, Inc.*, 764 F.2d 655, 662 (9th Cir. 1985). The reasonable and necessary fees for work in this category total \$1,606.50.

B. <u>Summary of Expenses Requested for Reimbursement</u>

Allen Matkins requests the Court approve reimbursement of \$206.53 in out-of-pocket costs. The itemization of such expenses is summarized below by category. The expenses relate to duplication and messenger fees for court filings incurred in connection with the four cases against pensioners who have defaulted on their loan payments. The costs incurred by Allen Matkins during the Sixth Application Period are broken down by category as follows:

| Category | Total |
|--|-----------|
| Messenger Fees | \$64.40 |
| Document Searches (including PACER, Lexis, Secretary of State) | 42.00 |
| Duplication/Postage | 100.13 |
| TOTAL | \$ 206.53 |

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IV. THE FEES AND COSTS ARE REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE ALLOWED

"As a general rule, the expenses and fees of a receivership are a charge upon the property administered." *Gaskill v. Gordon*, 27 F.3d 248, 251 (7th Cir. 1994). These expenses include the fees and expenses of this Receiver and his professionals, including Allen Matkins. Decisions regarding the timing and amount of an award of fees and costs to the Receiver and his Professionals are committed to the sound discretion of the Court. See *SEC v. Elliot*, 953 F.2d 1560, 1577 (11th Cir. 1992) (rev'd in part on other grounds, 998 F.2d 922 (11th Cir. 1993)).

In allowing fees, a court should consider "the time, labor and skill required, but not necessarily that actually expended, in the proper performance of the duties imposed by the court upon the receiver[], the fair value of such time, labor and skill measured by conservative business standards, the degree of activity, integrity and dispatch with which the work is conducted and the result obtained." *United States v. Code Prods. Corp.*, 362 F. 2d 669, 673 (3d Cir. 1966) (internal quotation marks omitted). In practical terms, receiver and professional compensation thus ultimately rests upon the result of an equitable, multi-factor balancing test involving the "economy of administration, the burden that the estate may be able to bear, the amount of time required, although not necessarily expended, and the overall value of the services to the estate." *In re Imperial 400 Nat'l, Inc.*, 432 F.2d 232, 237 (3d Cir. 1970). Regardless of how this balancing test is formulated, no single factor is determinative and "a reasonable fee is based [upon] all circumstances surrounding the receivership." *SEC v. W.L. Moody & Co., Bankers (Unincorporated)*, 374 F. Supp. 465, 480 (S.D. Tex. 1974).

As a preliminary matter, the Appointment Order confers on the Receiver substantial duties and powers, including to conduct such investigation and discovery as is necessary to locate and account for all receivership assets, take such action as is necessary and appropriate to assume control over and preserve receivership assets,

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and employ attorneys and others to investigate and, where appropriate, institute, pursue, and prosecute all claims and causes of action of whatever kind and nature. *See* Appointment Order, Section III.

The Receiver promptly determined that experienced, qualified counsel was necessary due to the size and complexity of the receivership estate and the Court agreed, specifically approving Allen Matkins' employment. Dkt. No. 86. The Court also approved the Receiver's proposal to file interim reports and fee applications on a quarterly basis. *Id.*

Allen Matkins has submitted a detailed fee application, which describes the nature of the services rendered, and the identity and billing rate of each individual performing each task. *See* Exhibit A. Allen Matkins has endeavored to staff matters as efficiently as possible while remaining cognizant of the complexity of issues. The request for fees is based on Allen Matkins' customary billing rates charged for comparable services provided in other matters, less a 10% discount. Moreover, as discussed above, the firm wrote off and did not charge for 2.9 hours of work (\$1,631.25) during the Eighth Application Period, all of which was on pensioner bankruptcies.

The work performed by Allen Matkins was essential to carrying out the Receiver's Court-ordered duties. The Receiver and Allen Matkins have worked diligently since the Receiver's appointment to preserve and protect the assets of the receivership estate, to investigate and recover sums transferred to third parties, and to maximize the funds available for ultimate distribution to investors. Moreover, Allen Matkins seeks payment of only 80% of fees incurred on an interim basis in recognition of the fact that its work in assisting the Receiver is ongoing. Payment of the proposed 20% holdback will be sought at the conclusion of the receivership. Allen Matkins' fees are fair and reasonable and should be approved and paid on an interim basis.

V. **CONCLUSION** 1 Allen Matkins therefore respectfully requests this Court enter an Order: 2 3 1. Approving Allen Matkins' fees, on an interim basis, of \$13,362.30; Authorizing and directing the Receiver to pay 80% of approved fees, or 2. 4 \$10,689.84, from the assets of the Receivership Entities; 5 Approving Allen Matkins' costs in the amount of \$206.53 and 6 3. authorizing and directing the Receiver to reimburse such costs in full; and 7 4. For such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate. 8 9 Dated: February 28, 2018 ALLEN MATKINS LECK GAMBLE 10 MALLORY & NATSIS LLP 11 By: /s/ Edward Fates 12 EDWARD G. FATES Attorneys for Receiver KRISTA L. FREITAG 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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EXHIBIT A

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Preliminary Billing Form

Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates

Matter #: 375579-00003

Matter Name: Asset Investigation

Date of Last Billing: 01-31-2018

Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

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Client/Matter Joint Group # 375579-1

Fees for Matter 375579-00003 (Asset Investigation)

| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|--|---------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 10/02/17 | 7301645 | Advise Receiver regarding strategy and next steps with defaulted pensioner D. Hollnagel. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 107.10 |
| 10/02/17 | 7301423 | Review status of chapter 13 pensioner cases with pending chapter 13 plan distributions. | Kim, Yale | 0.3 | 168.75 | 275.85 |
| 10/03/17 | 7302034 | Communications with defaulted pensioner D. Hollnagel. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 382.95 |
| 10/03/17 | 7301901 | Review chapter 13 trustee account ledger for Charpliwy and plan disbursements for Receiver claim. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 495.45 |
| 10/06/17 | 7304642 | Prepare update to pensioners bankruptcy chart. | Kim, Yale | 1.5 | 843.75 | 1,339.20 |
| 10/10/17 | 7308006 | Correspond with Receiver re updated status of pensioners bk matters. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 1,451.70 |
| 10/17/17 | 7313536 | Call with defaulted pensioner D. Hollnagel regarding confession of judgment, forbearance, and full payoff of lump sum due. | Fates, Edward | 0.3 | 160.65 | 1,612.35 |
| 10/23/17 | 7317686 | Review plan distribution for October 2017 for Salisbury (.1); draft memo to | Kim, Yale | 0.3 | 168.75 | 1,781.10 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered Receiver re same (.1); review status of Chrapliwy plan distributions to creditors (.1). | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|---|---------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 10/24/17 | 7319238 | Review order dismissing Denny chapter 13 case and stay on effectiveness of dismissal pending case conversion. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 1,893.60 |
| 10/25/17 | 7319393 | Draft memo to Receiver re dismissal order in Denny and 14-day stay on effectiveness. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 2,006.10 |
| 10/27/17 | 7321144 | Advise Receiver regarding correspondence from defaulted pensioner D. Hollnagel and strategy for response to same. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 2,113.20 |
| 10/30/17 | 7322353 | Review status of Denny, Vroonland, Seiger, and Salisbury pensioner bankruptcy cases. | Kim, Yale | 0.4 | 225.00 | 2,338.20 |
| 10/31/17 | 7324780 | Discuss strategy regarding collection from defaulted pensioner with Receiver and response to counsel for defaulted pensioner regarding same. | Fates, Edward | 0.3 | 160.65 | 2,498.85 |
| 10/31/17 | 7324049 | Draft memo to Receiver re reconsideration motion for Denny dismissal (.1); review reconsideration motion in Denny (.1). | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 2,611.35 |
| 11/02/17 | 7328852 | Review status of pensioner bankruptcy cases for plan distributions to Receiver. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 2,723.85 |
| 11/06/17 | 7330859 | Review distribution check for 10/31 for Chrapliwy (.1); draft memo to Receiver re distribution check (.1); review status of pending Salisbury | Kim, Yale | 0.3 | 168.75 | 2,892.60 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered plan distribution (.1); | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|--|---------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 11/07/17 | 7332798 | Review status of Salisbury and Denny bankruptcy cases and pending disposition of cases. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 3,005.10 |
| 11/10/17 | 7336209 | Draft memo to Receiver re updated pensioners bankruptcy chart (.2); review updated chart (.1); review status of Burgrum litigation (.1). | Kim, Yale | 0,4 | 225.00 | 3,230.10 |
| 11/14/17 | 7338981 | Correspond with Receiver re confirmation of receipt of Chrapliwy plan distribution payment. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 3,342.60 |
| 11/16/17 | 7341011 | Review chapter 13 trustee account ledger re status of November 2017 Salisbury plan distribution payment. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 3,455.10 |
| 11/17/17 | 7341871 | Correspond with Receiver re Salisbury 11/17 plan distribution. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 3,567.60 |
| 11/20/17 | 7343690 | Review status of current pensioner bankruptcies. | Kim, Yale | 0.4 | 225.00 | 3,792.60 |
| 11/27/17 | 7346669 | Review 11/21 Salisbury contribution for monthly plan distributions (.1); review status of Vroonland chapter 13 case re prospective conversion or dismissal (.1). | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 3,905.10 |
| 11/28/17 | 7348155 | Review chapter 13 plan distribution status for Baker, Chrapliwy, and Salisbury. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 4,017.60 |
| 12/01/17 | 7354558 | Review status of pensioner bankruptcy cases for Baker, Chrapliwy, Salisbury, Vroonland, and Seiger. | Kim, Yale | 0.3 | 168.75 | 4,186.35 |
| 12/13/17 | 7363238 | Communications with Receiver | Fates, Edward | 0.4 | 214.20 | 4,400.55 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered regarding collection steps for defaulted pensioner R. Brown and work on letter to same. | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|--|------------|-------|----------|----------|
| 12/13/17 | 7363368 | Correspond with Receiver re pursuit of lump sum advance claim against Robert Brown following bankruptcy dismissal (.2); review status of refiling of chapter 13 case (.1); review Brown schedules and statement of affairs re disputing receiver claim (.2); review register of actions for Pension Funding complaint against Brown (.2); draft memo to Receiver re dismissed litigation and disputed claim (.1); prepared updated chart on status of customer bankruptcy cases (1.1). | Kim, Yale | 1.9 | 1,068.75 | 5,469.30 |
| 12/21/17 | 7371202 | Review status of Vroonland bankruptcy and prospective dismissal. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 5,581.80 |
| 12/27/17 | 7374721 | Review status of Vroonland and Seiger pensioner bankruptcies and possible dismissals (.2); review status of pending distributions in chapter 13 plan cases (.1). | Kim, Yale | 0.3 | 168.75 | 5,750.55 |

Disbursements for Matter 375579-00003 (Asset Investigation)

| Trans Date | Index | Туре | Quantity | Amt |
|------------|---------|---|----------|-------|
| 10/04/17 | 2369688 | Duplication | 111.00 | 21.09 |
| 10/06/17 | 2369689 | Duplication | 4.00 | 0.76 |
| 10/06/17 | 2384138 | Document Search Pacer - Service 7/01/2017- 9/30/2017^4406104Q32017 | 1.00 | 25.90 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Туре | Quantity | Amt |
|------------|---------|--|----------|-------|
| 10/06/17 | 2384139 | Document Search Pacer - Service 7/01/2017- 9/30/2017^4406104Q32017 | 1.00 | 0.30 |
| 10/06/17 | 2384140 | Document Search Pacer - Service 7/01/2017- 9/30/2017^4406104Q32017 | 1.00 | 6.00 |
| 10/06/17 | 2384141 | Document Search Pacer - Service 7/01/2017- 9/30/2017^4406104Q32017 | 1.00 | 9.50 |
| 10/06/17 | 2384142 | Document Search Pacer - Service 7/01/2017- 9/30/2017^4406104Q32017 | 1.00 | 0.30 |
| 10/17/17 | 2371212 | Duplication | 92.00 | 17.48 |
| 10/19/17 | 2379280 | Messenger Nationwide Legal, LLC, USDC/SANTA ANA, STIP X2^PLS DELIVER CC TO JUDGE STATON, 8:17-CV-00915 -JLS-JC-FREITAG V. LEE^273247 | 1.00 | 29.00 |
| 10/30/17 | 2374650 | Duplication | 92.00 | 17.48 |
| 11/10/17 | 2380440 | Duplication | 8.00 | 1.52 |
| 11/22/17 | 2380439 | Duplication | 23.00 | 4.37 |
| 11/28/17 | 2388245 | Messenger Federal Express Invoice No: 601132148 1665 Ship To: Hon Josephine L Staton | 1.00 | 11.64 |
| 12/13/17 | 2387280 | Duplication | 5.00 | 0.95 |
| 12/14/17 | 2387279 | Duplication | 189.00 | 35.91 |
| 12/14/17 | 2387281 | Duplication | 3.00 | 0.57 |
| 12/14/17 | 2390650 | Messenger Federal Express Invoice No: 603410645 1665 Ship To: Hon Josephine L Staton | 1.00 | 12.09 |
| 12/19/17 | 2390651 | Messenger Federal Express Invoice No: 603410645 1665 Ship To: Hon Josephine L Staton | 1.00 | 11.67 |

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| Timekeeper Number | Timekeeper | Hours | Rate | Amounts |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 001665 001938 | Edward Fates Yale Kim | 1.6 8.7 10.3 | 535.50 562.50 | 856.80 4,893.75 5,750.55 |
| Total Fees Total Disbursements | | 10.5 | | 5,750.55 5,750.55 206.53 |

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Preliminary Billing Form

Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates

Matter #: 375579-00004

Matter Name: Reporting

Date of Last Billing: 01-31-2018

Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

Proforma Number Client/Matter Joint Group # 375579-1

Fees for Matter 375579-00004 (Reporting)

| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|---|---------------|-------|--------|--------|
| 11/16/17 | 7340925 | Revisions to Receiver's Seventh Interim Report and discuss same with Receiver. | Fates, Edward | 1.4 | 749.70 | 749.70 |
| 11/17/17 | 7342085 | Meet and confer communication with counsel for CFPB and New York Superintendent regarding Seventh Interim Report. | Fates, Edward | 0.1 | 53.55 | 803.25 |
| 11/28/17 | 7348056 | Meet and confer communications with CFPB's counsel and finalize Seventh Interim Report. | Fates, Edward | 0.3 | 160.65 | 963.90 |

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| Timekeeper Number | Timekeeper | Hours | Rate | Amounts |
|---------------------|--------------|-------|--------|---------|
| 001665 | Edward Fates | 1.8 | 535.50 | 963.90 |
| | | 1.8 | | 963.90 |
| Total Fees | | | | 963.90 |
| Total Disbursements | | | | 0.00 |

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Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates

Matter #: 375579-00006

Matter Name: Claims & Distributions

Date of Last Billing: 01-31-2018

Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

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Client/Matter Joint Group # 375579-1

Fees for Matter 375579-00006 (Claims & Distributions)

| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|---|---------------|-------|--------|--------|
| 11/02/17 | 7328677 | Call from counsel for investor regarding ongoing collections from pensioners and timing of further distributions. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 107.10 |
| 11/13/17 | 7338580 | Call from financial advisor for investor regarding distributions. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 214.20 |
| 12/13/17 | 7364174 | Respond to inquiry from financial advisor for investors regarding timing of distributions. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 321.30 |
| 12/15/17 | 7366444 | Advise Receiver regarding updates to receivership website and notices to investors. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 428.40 |

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| Timekeeper Number | Timekeeper | Hours | Rate | Amounts |
|---------------------|--------------|-------|--------|---------|
| 001665 | Edward Fates | 0.8 | 535.50 | 428.40 |
| | (A) | 8.0 | | 428.40 |
| Total Fees | | | | 428.40 |
| Total Disbursements | | | | 0.00 |

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Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates

Matter #: 375579-00007

Matter Name: Third Party Recoveries

Date of Last Billing: 01-31-2018

Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

Proforma Number Client/Matter Joint Group # 375579-1

Fees for Matter 375579-00007 (Third Party Recoveries)

| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|--|---------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 10/02/17 | 7301579 | Advise on initial disclosures and discovery issues for B. Lee and W. Burgum cases. | Fates, Edward | 0.4 | 214.20 | 214.20 |
| 10/02/17 | 7301764 | Review client documents regarding W. Burgum and prepare for production as part of Rule 26 Initial Disclosures (.6); Review client documents regarding B. Lee and prepare for production as part of Rule 26 Initial Disclosures (.6). | Bell, Melissa | 1.2 | 367.20 | 581.40 |
| 10/03/17 | 7302032 | Advise on initial disclosures, communications with W. Burgum, and case strategy. | Fates, Edward | 0.3 | 160.65 | 742.05 |
| 10/03/17 | 7302621 | Revise Initial Disclosures and prepare document production for W. Burgum case (.3); Revise Initial Disclosures and prepare document production for B. Lee case (.3). | Bell, Melissa | 0.6 | 183.60 | 925.65 |
| 10/04/17 | 7303010 | Review asset reports and advise on collection issues for D. Nevins and P. Pfeiffer. | Fates, Edward | 0.2 | 107.10 | 1,032.75 |
| 10/04/17 | 7303746 | Finalize document production and initial disclosures for B. Lee case (.5); | Bell, Melissa | 1.3 | 397.80 | 1,430.55 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered Finalize document production and Initial disclosures for W. Burgum case and draft and send cover letter regarding the same (.8). | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
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| 10/05/17 | 7306119 | Draft Requests for Admissions to B. Lee (.6); Draft Requests for Production of Documents to B. Lee (.4); Draft Special Interrogatories to B. Lee (.3); Draft Requests for Admissions to W. Burgum (.5); Draft Requests for Production of Documents to W. Burgum (.4); Draft Special Interrogatories to W. Burgum (.4). | Bell, Melissa | 2.3 | 703.80 | 2,134.35 |
| 10/11/17 | 7309345 | Work on discovery requests for B. Lee and W. Burgum. | Fates, Edward | 1.1 | 589.05 | 2,723.40 |
| 10/11/17 | 7309494 | Revise and finalize Requests for Admission, Requests for Production of Documents, and Special Interrogatories to propound on B. Lee (.8); Draft Requests for Production of Documents to propound on W. Burgum (.3). | Bell, Melissa | 1.1 | 336.60 | 3,060.00 |
| 10/12/17 | 7311060 | Continue to draft Requests for Production of Documents to W. Burgum (.2); Draft Requests for Admission and Special Interrogatories to propound on W. Burgum (1.0). | Bell, Melissa | 1.2 | 367.20 | 3,427.20 |
| 10/16/17 | 7312535 | Advise regarding selection of a mediator for Burgum and Lee matters and stipulations regarding same. | Fates, Edward | 0.4 | 214.20 | 3,641.40 |
| 10/16/17 | 7312896 | Finalize all discovery to propound on W. Burgum (.2); Finalize all discovery to propound on B. Lee (.2); draft | Bell, Melissa | 1.2 | 367.20 | 4,008.60 |

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| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered stipulation and send e-mail regarding proposed mediator to W. Burgum (.3); draft stipulation and send e-mail regarding proposed mediator to M. Jones (.5). | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
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| 10/17/17 | 7313839 | E-mails and telephone call with D. Levene regarding potential mediation of Burgum and Lee cases. | Bell, Melissa | 0.4 | 122.40 | 4,131.00 |
| 10/18/17 | 7314788 | E-mail to W. Burgum regarding proposed stipulation for mediation. | Bell, Melissa | 0.1 | 30.60 | 4,161.60 |
| 10/19/17 | 7315155 | E-mails with D. Levene regarding scheduling mediation (.2); E-mails with W. Burgum regarding stipulation to selection of mediator (and finalize same (.4); E-mails with M. Jones regarding stipulation to selection of mediator and finalize same(.4). | Bell, Melissa | 1.0 | 306.00 | 4,467.60 |
| 10/30/17 | 7324451 | Review Notice of Assignment of Panel Mediator and General Order re W. Burgum and B. Lee cases. | Bell, Melissa | 0.1 | 30.60 | 4,498.20 |
| 11/09/17 | 7335382 | Review B. Lee's responses to requests for admission. | Fates, Edward | 0.1 | 53.55 | 4,551.75 |
| 11/13/17 | 7338624 | Review B. Lee's responses to Requests for Admission. | Bell, Melissa | 0.1 | 30.60 | 4,582.35 |
| 11/14/17 | 7339419 | E-mails with B. Lee's counsel's office regarding discovery. | Bell, Melissa | 0.1 | 30.60 | 4,612.95 |
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| Total Fees | | 4,612.95 |
| Total Disbursements | | 0.00 |

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Preliminary Billing Form

Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates

Matter #: 375579-00009

Matter Name: Employment/Fees

Date of Last Billing: 01-31-2018

Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

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Client/Matter Joint Group # 375579-1

Fees for Matter 375579-00009 (Employment/Fees)

| Trans Date | Index | Description of Service Rendered | Timekeeper | Hours | Fees | Sum |
|------------|---------|---|---------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 11/02/17 | 7328223 | Initial work on Allen Matkins seventh interim fee application. | Fates, Edward | 0.4 | 214.20 | 214.20 |
| 11/21/17 | 7344853 | Work on Allen Matkins seventh interim fee application. | Fates, Edward | 0.9 | 481.95 | 696.15 |
| 12/08/17 | 7359437 | Review and revise Receiver's seventh fee application (.7); meet and confer with counsel for CFPB and New York Superintendent regarding seventh interim fee applications (.1). | Fates, Edward | 0.8 | 428.40 | 1,124.55 |
| 12/13/17 | 7363598 | Meet and confer communications regarding interim fee applications (.1); finalize same, proposed orders, and notice of hearing for filing (.4). | Fates, Edward | 0.5 | 267.75 | 1,392.30 |
| 12/14/17 | 7365203 | Prepare proposed orders for interim fee applications and notice of hearing to investors and creditors. | Fates, Edward | 0.4 | 214.20 | 1,606.50 |

Proforma Summary

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| 001665 | Edward Fates | 3.0 | 535.50 | 1,606.50 |
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Total Fees 1,606.50
Total Disbursements 0.00

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Preliminary Billing Form

Billing Atty: 001665 - Edward Fates Matter #: 375579-00500 Matter Name: Write-Offs

Date of Last Billing: Client Name: Krista Freitag, as Receiver for Pension Funding LLC and

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Fees for Matter 375579-00500 (Write-Offs)

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| 11/09/17 | 7335494 | Draft updated chart for pensioners bk cases. | Kim, Yale | 1.1 | 618.75 | 618.75 |
| 12/08/17 | 7360501 | Review status of pensioner bankruptcy cases. | Kim, Yale | 0.2 | 112.50 | 731.25 |
| 12/12/17 | 7362681 | Correspond with Receiver re pensioner Robert Brown bankruptcy dismissal (.2); review dismissal motion and order for Brown (.2); review estate claim amount against Brown (.1); review status of pensioner bankruptcy distributions in pensioner bankruptcy cases (.2). | Kim, Yale | 0.7 | 393.75 | 1,125.00 |
| 12/14/17 | 7364876 | Review updated pensioner bankruptcy chart (.2); draft memo to Receiver re updated chart (.1); review pending Salisbury plan distribution for December 2017 (.1). | Kim, Yale | 0.4 | 225.00 | 1,350.00 |
| 12/15/17 | 7365849 | Review check number for Salisbury distribution (.1); draft memo to Receiver re Salisbury distribution and remaining claim amount per ledger (.2); review docket re status of Denny case (.1); correspond with Receiver re reinstatement of dismissed Denny | Kim, Yale | 0.5 | 281.25 | 1,631.25 |

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