

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL**

CASE NO.: CV-11-8607-R

Date: February 6, 2012

TITLE: S.E.C. V. CHARLES P. COPELAND et al

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PRESENT:

HON. MANUEL L. REAL, JUDGE

Kane Tien
Deputy Clerk

Cindy Nirenberg
Court Reporter

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR PLAINTIFFS:

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR DEFENDANTS:

Thomas Hebrank, Receiver
Spencer Bendell SEC

William Tooke
Peter Davidson
John Bowerbank

PROCEEDINGS:

- 1) Receiver's Application to employ Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP as his General Counsel (fld 11-18-11)
- 2) Receiver's motion for order (A) approving sale of Palm Springs property free and clear of liens, & (B) approving real estate broker's commission (fld 11-18-11)
- 3)Receiver's preliminary report and Request for order (A) clarifying scope of the Receivership, & (B) aiding administration of the Receivership (fld 11-18-11)
- 4)Receiver's Application to employ Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg LLP as his tax accountant (fld 12-22-11)

The Court DENIES Receiver's Application to employ Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP as his General Counsel. The Court, as an alternative, ORDERS the Receiver to submit bids for three (3) law firms to the Court by March 5, 2012 to possibly be appointed as the Receiver's General Counsel.

The Court GRANTS Receiver's motion for order (A) approving sale of Palm Springs property free and clear of liens, & (B) approving real estate broker's commission, for reasons stated on the record. Receiver to submit a proposed order.

The Court TAKES OFF CALENDAR as moot Receiver's preliminary report and Request for order (A) clarifying scope of the Receivership, & (B) aiding administration of the Receivership, for reasons stated on the record.

The Court DENIES Receiver's Application to employ Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg LLP as his Tax Accountant. The Court, as an alternative, ORDERS the Receiver to submit bids for three (3) law firms to the Court by March 5, 2012 to possibly be appointed as the Receiver's Tax Accountant.

The Court modifies and signs the February 2, 2012 lodged proposed order submitted by the Copeland defendants.

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