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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re

VWS Holdco, Inc., et al.,

Debtors.¹

Chapter 11

Case No. 25-10979 (JKS)

Jointly Administered

Re: D.I. 66

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO EMPLOY AND RETAIN KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS, LLC DBA VERITA GLOBAL AS ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISOR EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

Upon the application (the "<u>Application</u>")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>") for authority to employ and retain Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global ("<u>Verita</u>") as its Administrative Advisor in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, effective as of the Petition Date, as more fully described in the Application; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware*, dated February 29, 2012; and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Application in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in

² All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.



The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification numbers are as follows: VWS Holdco, Inc. (5412) and Shoosmith Bros., Inc. (6914). The Debtors' mailing address is P.O. Box 2770, Chesterfield, VA 23832.

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interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Application and opportunity for a hearing on the Application were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Application; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The relief requested in the Application is hereby **GRANTED** as set forth herein.

2. The Debtors are authorized under section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code to employ and retain Verita as their Administrative Advisor in accordance with the terms set forth in the Application and the Services Agreement effective as of the Petition Date. Notwithstanding the terms of the Services Agreement, attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u>, the Application is approved solely as set forth in this Order.

3. Verita is authorized to perform the Administrative Services described in the Application and set forth in the Application and the Services Agreement, and to take such other action to comply with all duties set forth in the Application and the Services Agreement.

4. In addition to the services set forth in the Application and the Services Agreement, Verita is authorized to provide other bankruptcy administration services as the Debtors and the Clerk of the Court may request from time to time.

5. Verita shall apply to the Court for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred after the Petition Date in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules and any orders entered in the chapter 11 cases regarding professional compensation and reimbursement of expenses.

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6. The Debtors shall indemnify Verita under the terms of the Services Agreement, as modified pursuant to this Order.

7. Verita shall not be entitled to indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement pursuant to the Services Agreement for services other than the services provided under the Services Agreement unless such services and the indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement therefor are approved by the Court.

8. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Services Agreement, the Debtors shall have no obligation to indemnify Verita, or provide contribution or reimbursement to Verita, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, liabilities or expense that are either: (a) judicially determined (the determination having become final) to have arisen from Verita's gross negligence, willful misconduct, or fraud; (b) for a contractual dispute in which the Debtors allege the breach of Verita's contractual obligations, if the Court determines that indemnification, contribution or reimbursement would not be permissible pursuant to *United Artists Theatre Co. v. Walton (In re United Artists Theatre Co.)*, 315 F.3d 217 (3d Cir. 2003); or (c) settled prior to a judicial determination under (a) or (b), but determined by this Court, after notice and a hearing, to be a claim or expense for which Verita should not receive indemnity, contribution, or reimbursement under the terms of the Services Agreement as modified by this Order.

9. Before the earlier of: (a) the entry of an order confirming a chapter 11 plan in these chapter 11 cases (that order having become a final order no longer subject to appeal) and (b) the entry of an order closing these chapter 11 cases, should Verita believe that it is entitled to the payment of any amounts by the Debtors on account of the Debtors' indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement obligations under the Services Agreement (as modified by this Order), including, without limitation, the advancement of defense costs, Verita must file an

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application in this Court, and the Debtors may not pay any such amounts to Verita before the entry of an order by this Court approving such application and the payment requested therein. This paragraph is intended only to specify the period of time under which the Court shall have jurisdiction over any request for fees and expenses by Verita for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement, and not a provision limiting the duration of the Debtors' obligation to indemnify Verita. All parties in interest shall retain the right to object to any demand by Verita for indemnification, contribution or reimbursement.

10. The Debtors and Verita are authorized to take all steps necessary or appropriate to carry out this Order.

11. In the event of any inconsistency between the Services Agreement, the Application, and this Order, the terms of this Order shall govern.

12. Notice of the Application as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Application and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

13. Notwithstanding any term in the Services Agreement to the contrary, this Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

D STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Dated: June 27th, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware