UNITED STATED BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

In re:		
WELLMADE INDUSTRIES MFR.) Chapter 11	
N.A LLC,) Case No. 25-58760	
Debtor,) (Joint Administration Requested)	
TAX I.D. No. 84-4771058)	
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In re:)	
WELLMADE FLOOR COVERINGS) Chapter 11	
INTERNATIONAL, INC.,) Case No. 25-58764	
Debtor,	(Joint Administration Requested)	
TAX I.D. No. 56-2328425)	

EMERGENCY MOTION OF THE DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEBTORS' CHAPTER 11 CASES FOR PROCEDURAL PURPOSES ONLY

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), submit this motion (the "Motion"), pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), for entry of an order, substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Proposed Order"), authorizing and directing the joint administration of the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") for procedural purposes only, and providing any additional relief required in order to effectuate the foregoing. In support of the relief requested in this Motion, the Debtors rely upon and incorporate by reference the Declaration of David Baker in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings ("First Day Declaration") filed contemporaneously herewith. In further support of this Motion, the Debtors respectfully state as follows:



JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Georgia (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). Venue is proper in the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 2. The statutory and legal predicates for the relief requested herein are section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b), and Section C of the *Second Amended and Restated General Order 26-2019, Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases*, dated February 6, 2023 (the "Complex Case Procedures").

BACKGROUND

A. The Chapter 11 Cases

- 3. On August 4, 2025 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code with this Court.
- 4. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 5. No official committee has been appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases, and no request has been made for the appointment of a trustee or an examiner.
- 6. Additional information regarding the Debtors' businesses, capital structure, and the circumstances leading to the filing of these Chapter 11 Cases is set forth in the First Day Declaration.

RELIEF REQUESTED

7. By this Motion, the Debtors request entry of the Proposed Order authorizing and directing the joint administration of these Chapter 11 Cases and the consolidation thereof for procedural purposes only.

8. The Debtors also request that the caption of their Chapter 11 Cases be modified to reflect the joint administration of the Chapter 11 Cases substantially as follows:

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tax identification number, include: Wellma	ong with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal ade Industries MFR. N.A LLC (1058) and Wellmade The mailing address for the Debtors for purposes of ye, Cartersville, GA 30121.		

9. In addition, the Debtors request that the Court authorize and direct that a notation substantially similar to the following notation be entered on the docket in each above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases to reflect the joint administration of these Chapter 11 Cases:

An order (the "Joint Administration Order") has been entered in this case directing the joint administration of the chapter 11 cases listed below under Case No. 25-58760. The docket in Case No. 25-58764 should be consulted for all matters affecting this case. The following chapter 11 cases are jointly administered pursuant to the Joint Administration Order: Case No. 25-58760; Case No. 25-58764.

10. Finally, the Debtors request that the Court authorize a combined service list to be used for the jointly administered Chapter 11 Cases and that combined notices be sent to creditors of the Debtors' estates.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

11. Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) provides that, if two or more petitions are pending in the same court by or against a debtor and an affiliate, the court may order the joint administration of

the estates of a debtor and its affiliates. *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015(b). Furthermore, Section C of the Complex Case Procedures provide that an order of joint administration may be entered without notice or a hearing if the motion requesting joint administration is supported by an affidavit, declaration, or verification establishing that joint administration is warranted and will ease the administrative burden for the Court and the parties.

- 12. The First Day Declaration, filed contemporaneously herewith, establishes that the Debtors, consisting of a parent corporation and its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, are "affiliates" as that term is defined in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, this Court is authorized to grant the requested relief, because the Debtors are affiliates of the lead Debtor.
- 13. Joint administration of these Chapter 11 Cases will ease the administrative burden on the Court and the parties. The Debtors anticipate that there will be numerous notices, applications, motions, other documents, pleadings, hearings, and orders in these Chapter 11 Cases. With affiliated debtors, each with their own case docket, the failure to administer these Chapter 11 Cases jointly would result in numerous duplicative pleadings being filed and served upon parties identified in separate service lists. Such duplication of substantially identical documents would be expensive and would unnecessarily overburden the Debtors, the Clerk of this Court (the "Clerk"), creditors, and other parties-in-interest in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 14. Joint administration will permit the Clerk to use a single general docket for each of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases and to combine notices to creditors and other parties-in-interest of the Debtors' respective estates. Joint administration will also protect parties-in-interest by

¹ Section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code defines "affiliate" to include, in relevant part, (i) a "corporation 20 percent or more of whose outstanding voting securities are directly or indirectly owned, controlled, or held with power to vote, by the debtor, or by an entity that directly or indirectly owns, controls, or holds with power to vote, 20 percent or more of the outstanding voting securities of the debtor..." 11 U.S.C. § 101(2).

ensuring that parties-in-interest in each of the Debtors' respective Chapter 11 Cases will be apprised of the various matters before the Court in each of these Chapter 11 Cases.

- 15. The Debtors request that the official caption to be used by all parties in all pleadings in the jointly administered Chapter 11 Cases be in the form set forth in paragraph 9 of this Motion. The Debtors submit that use of the simplified caption will eliminate cumbersome and confusing procedures and ensure a uniformity of pleading identification.
- 16. The rights of the respective creditors of each of the Debtors will not be adversely affected by joint administration of these Chapter 11 Cases because the relief requested herein is procedural in nature only and is in no way intended to affect substantive rights. Each party-in-interest will maintain any claims or rights it has against a particular estate in which it allegedly has a claim or right. Indeed, creditors will benefit from the efficiencies and reductions in costs resulting from joint administration. The Court also will be relieved of the burden of entering duplicative orders and keeping duplicative files. Supervision of the administrative aspects of these Chapter 11 Cases by the Office of the United States Trustee will also be simplified.
- 17. Based on the foregoing, the Debtors submit that the relief requested is necessary and appropriate, is in the best interests of their estates and creditors, and should be granted in all respects.

NOTICE

18. Notice of this Motion has been given to the following parties or, in lieu thereof, to their counsel, if known: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Northern District of Georgia; (b) the Debtors' prepetition lender; (c) creditors holding the 30 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors; (d) the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia; (e) the Georgia Department of Revenue; (f) the Internal Revenue Service; (g) the Securities & Exchange Commission; (h) the Georgia Secretary of State; (i) the states attorneys general for states in which

the Debtors conduct business; and (j) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

NO PRIOR REQUEST

19. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other court.

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CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that this Court enter the Proposed Order granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: August 4, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Proposed Order

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ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEBTORS' CHAPTER 11 CASES FOR PROCEDURAL PURPOSES ONLY

Upon the Emergency Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order Authorizing and Directing the Joint Administration of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases for Procedural Purposes

Only (the "Motion");² and the Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157 and 1334; and this matter being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and this Court having jurisdiction to enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and venue of these Chapter 11 Cases and the Motion in this district being proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that due and adequate notice of the Motion has been given under the circumstances; and upon the First Day Declaration, this Court having determined that there is good and sufficient cause for the relief set forth in this Order; and after due deliberation thereon, and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.
- 2. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) and the Complex Case Procedures, the above-captioned chapter 11 cases are hereby consolidated for procedural purposes only and shall be jointly administered by this Court.
- 3. Nothing contained in this Order shall be deemed or construed as directing or otherwise effecting a substantive consolidation of the above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases, and this Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors to seek entry of an order substantively consolidating the Chapter 11 Cases.
 - 4. The caption of the Debtors' jointly administered cases shall read as follows:

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

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identification number, include: Wellmade	Industries Nation	me last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax MFR. N.A LLC (1058) and Wellmade Floor ss for the Debtors for purposes of these chapter

5. A docket entry shall be made in each of the Debtor's Chapter 11 Cases substantially as follows:

> An order (the "Joint Administration Order") has been entered in this case directing the joint administration of the chapter 11 cases listed below under Case No. 25-58760. The docket in Case No. 25-58764 should be consulted for all matters affecting this case. The following chapter 11 cases are jointly administered pursuant to the Joint Administration Order: Case No. 25-58760; Case No. 25-58764.

- 6. The caption set forth above shall be deemed to satisfy any applicable requirements of section 342(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 2002(n).
- 7. The Debtors are authorized to use a combined service list for the jointly administered Chapter 11 Cases and combined notices shall be sent to creditors of the Debtors' estates.
- 8. One consolidated docket and one file shall be maintained for the Chapter 11 Cases by the Debtors and kept by the Clerk.
- 9. The Debtors and the Clerk are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.
- Notwithstanding the applicability of any Bankruptcy Rule, this Order shall be 10. effective and enforceable immediately upon entry thereof.

11. The Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation or interpretation of this Order.

END OF DOCUMENT

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