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EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
RICHMOND DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
HOPEMAN BROTHERS, INC.,	Case No. 24-32428 (KLP)
Debtor.	

CERTIFICATION OF NO OBJECTION
AND NOTICE OF FILING OF REVISED PROPOSED ORDER

On April 22, 2026, Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered ("**Caplin**")[1] filed the *Seventh Interim Application of Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered for Allowance of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred for the Period from December 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026* [Docket No. 1462] ("**Application**") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. A proposed form of order is annexed to the Application (the "**Original Proposed Order**").

The undersigned certifies that the Application was filed and served in accordance with the Order (I) Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 162] (the "**Interim**

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Compensation Order") and Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases in the Eastern District of Virginia, as adopted by Rule 1075-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order and the notice served with the Application, all objections to the approval of the relief requested in the Application were due on or before May 13, 2026.

In response to informal comments received to the Application, Caplin has made certain revisions to the Original Proposed Order and hereby is filing a revised proposed Order Granting Seventh Interim Application of Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered for Allowance of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred for the Period from December 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026 (the "**Revised Proposed Order**"), which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a redline of the Revised Proposed Order as compared to the Original Proposed Order.

The undersigned further certifies that the notice filed with the Application includes a statement that the Application may be granted and an order entered without a hearing unless a timely objection is made. The undersigned further certifies that he has caused a review of the Court's docket in this case and no answer, objection or other responsive pleading to the Application appears thereon, nor is he aware of any informal answer or objection to the Application.

Therefore, pursuant to the notice filed with the Application and the Interim Compensation Order, Caplin is authorized, and intends, to submit the Revised Proposed Order, without further notice or hearing. The United States Trustee has reviewed and authorized Caplin to add her endorsement to the Revised Proposed Order.

Dated: May 18, 2026

/s/ Jeffrey A. Liesemer

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EXHIBIT A

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HOPEMAN BROTHERS, INC.,	Case No. 24-32428 (KLP)
Debtor.	

ORDER GRANTING SEVENTH INTERIM APPLICATION OF CAPLIN & DRYSDALE, CHARTERED FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2025, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2026

Upon consideration of the Seventh Interim Application (the "**Application**")[1] of Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered ("**Caplin**"), counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, for the period from December 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026 (the "**Application Period**"); and Caplin having agreed to reduce the compensation sought in the Application by $2,597.00 and the expenses sought in the Application by $46.73 at the request of the United States Trustee, reducing the compensation sought in the Application from $126,408.50 to $123,811.50; and reducing the expenses sought in the Application from $1,834.18 to $1,787.45; and the Court having reviewed the Application and the Monthly Statements that were served by Caplin, and finding that the Court

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has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and determining that proper and adequate notice has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The Application is GRANTED.

2. Caplin is hereby granted interim allowance of compensation for professional services in the amount of $123,811.50 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of $1,787.45 as requested in the Application.

3. The Debtor is hereby authorized and directed to remit to Caplin the full amount of the fees and expenses set forth in paragraph 2 of this Order less any amounts previously paid to Caplin on account of the monthly fee statements filed during the Application Period.

4. The Debtor is authorized and empowered to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the terms of this Order.

5. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the entry of the within Order, including the interpretation, implementation, or enforcement of the within Order.

6. This Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

Dated: _____, 2026
Richmond, Virginia

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HONORABLE KEITH L. PHILLIPS
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Entered on Docket: _____

WE ASK FOR THIS:

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CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT
UNDER LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 9022-1(C)

I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Liesemer

EXHIBIT B

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The Application is GRANTED.

2. Caplin is hereby granted interim allowance of compensation for professional services in the amount of $12~~6~~3,~~40~~811.50 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of $1,78~~34~~7.~~18~~45 as requested in the Application.

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4. The Debtor is authorized and empowered to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the terms of this Order.

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