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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**
**EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**
**RICHMOND DIVISION**

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

**TWENTY-THIRD MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF CAPLIN & DRYSDALE, CHARTERED FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD FROM JUNE 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

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| Name of Applicant: | Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered |
| Name of Client: | Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors |
| Date of retention order entered: | September 12, 2024, effective as of July 22, 2024 [Docket No. 202] |
| Time Period Covered: | June 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026 |
| Total Fees Requested: | $5,508.50 |
| Total Expenses Requested: | $0.00 |
| Type of Fee Statement: | Monthly[1] |

[1] Notice of this Monthly Fee Statement shall be served in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order (as defined herein) and objections to payment of the amounts described in this Monthly Fee Statement shall be addressed in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.



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Pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code, (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**"), Rule 2016-1 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "**Local Bankruptcy Rules**"), and the *Order (I) Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals and (II) Granting Related Relief* entered September 9, 2024 [Dkt. No. 162] (the "**Interim Compensation Order**"), the law firm of Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered ("**Caplin**"), as counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "**Committee**") appointed in this chapter 11 case, hereby submits this monthly fee statement (the "**Monthly Fee Statement**") seeking interim payment of (i) $4,406.80 (80% of $5,508.50) as compensation for professional services rendered to the Committee and (ii) $0.00 for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses, for a total of $4,406.80 for the period from June 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026 (the "**Compensation Period**").

## ITEMIZATION OF SERVICES RENDERED AND DISBURSEMENTS INCURRED

1. In support of this Monthly Fee Statement, Caplin has attached the following:

- **Exhibit A** is a summary schedule of hours and fees covered by this Monthly Fee Statement, categorized by project code.
- **Exhibit B** is a summary schedule providing certain information regarding the Caplin attorneys and paraprofessionals for whose work on this chapter 11 case compensation is sought in this Monthly Fee Statement.
- **Exhibit C** is a summary of the expenses incurred by Caplin during the Compensation Period.
- **Exhibit D** consists of Caplin's detailed records of fees incurred during the Compensation Period, including the number of hours expended (on an aggregate basis) by Caplin members, of counsel, associates, and paraprofessionals during the Compensation Period.

## REPRESENTATIONS

2. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Compensation Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Monthly Fee

Statement due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Compensation Period. Caplin reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included herein. Subsequent fee statements and applications will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules, Local Bankruptcy Rules, and Interim Compensation Order.

**NOTICE**

3. Notice of this Monthly Fee Statement has been provided to all necessary parties in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.

WHEREFORE, Caplin respectfully requests payment of its reasonable and necessary fees and expenses incurred during the Compensation Period in the total amount of $4,406.80, consisting of (i) $4,406.80, which is 80% of the fees incurred for reasonable and necessary professional services rendered by Caplin during the Compensation Period, and (ii) $0.00 for actual and necessary costs and expenses.

Dated: August 20, 2026

*/s/ Jeffrey A. Liesemer*

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# EXHIBIT A

**SUMMARY BY PROJECT CATEGORY**

**JUNE 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

| PROJECT CATEGORY | HOURS | FEES |
|---|---|---|
| (.04) Case Administration & Calendar Control | 0.2 | $119.00 |
| (.05) Claims Administration & Objections | 1.9 | $2,445.00 |
| (.07) Fee Applications - Self | 0.4 | $341.00 |
| (.10) Litigation | 2.4 | $1,897.50 |
| (.15) Committee Meetings/Conferences | 0.6 | $706.00 |
| **TOTAL** | **5.5** | **$5,508.50** |

# EXHIBIT B

**SUMMARY BY PROFESSIONAL[2]**

**JUNE 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

| COMPENSATION BY PROFESSIONAL | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **NAME OF PROFESSIONAL** | **POSITION \| AREA OF PRACTICE \| YEAR OF ADMISSION** | **HOURLY BILLING RATE** | **TOTAL HOURS** | **TOTAL COMPENSATION** |
| Todd E. Phillips | Member \| Bankruptcy \| Member of California Bar: 2005; Member of District of Columbia Bar: 2009; Member of New York Bar: 2016 | $1,625 | 0.1 | $162.50 |
| Jeffrey A. Liesemer | Member \| Bankruptcy \| Member of Virginia Bar: 1993; Member of District of Columbia Bar: 1996 | $1,700 | 1.2 | $2,040.00 |
| Nathaniel R. Miller | Of Counsel \| Bankruptcy \| Member of California Bar: 2016; Member of District of Columbia Bar: 2017 | $915 | 2.4 | $2,196.00 |
| Matthew E. Beckerman | Associate \| Bankruptcy \| Member of New Jersey Bar: 2022; Member of District of Columbia Bar: 2024 | $625 | 1.3 | $812.50 |
| **TOTAL** | | | **5.0** | **$5,211.00** |

| COMPENSATION BY PARAPROFESSIONAL | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **NAME OF PROFESSIONAL** | **POSITION \| DEPARTMENT** | **HOURLY BILLING RATE** | **TOTAL HOURS** | **TOTAL COMPENSATION** |
| Rachael L. Davis | Paralegal \| Bankruptcy | $595 | 0.5 | $297.50 |
| **TOTAL** | | | **0.5** | **$297.50** |

[2] Nonworking travel time is billed at one-half of the professional's usual hourly rate.

# EXHIBIT C

**SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

**JUNE 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

| EXPENSE CATEGORY | AMOUNT |
|---|---|
| TOTAL | $0.00 |

# EXHIBIT D

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Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Hopeman Brothers, Inc.

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RE: Hopeman Brothers, Inc. bankruptcy

For Professional Services Rendered Through June 30, 2026

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|---|---|
| Total Services | $5,508.50 |
| Total Current Charges | $5,508.50 |

**Remittance Advice**

Payment is due upon receipt. If you should have any questions, please email accounting@capdale.com.

**Check Payable To:**
Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered
Attn: Accounts Receivable
1200 New Hampshire Avenue NW 8th Floor
Washington, DC 20036

**Wire Transfer:**
Receiving Bank: Bank of America
ABA Wire Routing Number: 026009593
ABA ACH Routing Number: 054001204
Swift Code: BOFAUS3N
Beneficiary: Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered
Account Number: 001920814809

**Credit Card:**
We accept all major card companies. A service fee of 2.4% for Corporate Cards and 2.95% for Individual Cards will be added to all payments.

Please return this remittance page with your payment. Thank you.

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RE: Hopeman Brothers, Inc. bankruptcy

For Professional Services Rendered Through June 30, 2026

**SERVICES**

| Date | Person | Description of Services | Hours | Rate | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **.04** | **Case Administration & Calendar Control** | | | | |
| 6/29/2026 | RLD | Review docket and update calendar. | 0.2 | $595.00 | $119.00 |
| | | **Total** | **0.20** | | **$119.00** |
| **.05** | **Claims Administration & Objections** | | | | |
| 6/16/2026 | NRM | Communications w/ JAL, TEP, and MEB re status conference on Liberty claim objection. | 0.1 | $915.00 | $91.50 |
| 6/17/2026 | NRM | Attend status conference re Liberty claim objection (.2); communications w/ T. Long and JAL re same (.1). | 0.3 | $915.00 | $274.50 |
| 6/18/2026 | JAL | Prep re call w/ Debtor's counsel re Liberty claim objection issues (.4); confer w/ T. Long and NRM re same (.4); confer w/ NRM re same (.1). | 0.9 | $1,700.00 | $1,530.00 |
| 6/18/2026 | NRM | Communications w/ T. Long and JAL re Liberty claim objection issues (.1); confer w/ T. Long and JAL re same (.4); confer w/ JAL re same (.1). | 0.6 | $915.00 | $549.00 |
| | | **Total** | **1.90** | | **$2,445.00** |
| **.07** | **Fee Applications-Self** | | | | |
| 6/15/2026 | RLD | Prepare monthly fee statement. | 0.3 | $595.00 | $178.50 |
| 6/16/2026 | TEP | Review and edit monthly fee application. | 0.1 | $1,625.00 | $162.50 |
| | | **Total** | **0.40** | | **$341.00** |
| **.10** | **Litigation** | | | | |
| 6/2/2026 | NRM | Communications w/ TEP and JAL re case status. | 0.1 | $915.00 | $91.50 |
| 6/3/2026 | JAL | Communications w/ NRM and MEB re Debtor's motion for eighth interim stay order. | 0.1 | $1,700.00 | $170.00 |

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**SERVICES**

| Date | Person | Description of Services | Hours | Rate | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **.10 Litigation** | | | | | |
| 6/3/2026 | MEB | Communicate w/ JAL and NRM re motion to extend automatic stay (.1); review eighth motion re same (.5); draft memo re same (.3). | 0.9 | $625.00 | $562.50 |
| 6/4/2026 | NRM | Review memorandum re motion and proposed order extending automatic stay (.1); revise same (.2); communications w/ MEB re same (.2). | 0.5 | $915.00 | $457.50 |
| 6/5/2026 | NRM | Confer w/ D. Salzman re case status (.1); communications w/ JAL, TEP, and MEB re extension of automatic stay (.1); revise memorandum re same (.1). | 0.3 | $915.00 | $274.50 |
| 6/5/2026 | MEB | Communicate w/ NRM re eighth interim automatic stay extension motion (.1); communicate w/ JAG and NRM re same (.1). | 0.2 | $625.00 | $125.00 |
| 6/8/2026 | NRM | Communications w/ TEP re case status. | 0.1 | $915.00 | $91.50 |
| 6/29/2026 | MEB | Communicate w/ JAL, NRM, and CG re Liberty motion to modify mediation order (.1); review re same (.1). | 0.2 | $625.00 | $125.00 |
| | | **Total** | **2.40** | | **$1,897.50** |
| **.15 Committee Meetings/Conferences** | | | | | |
| 6/17/2026 | JAL | Correspondence w/ NRM re communication to Committee. | 0.2 | $1,700.00 | $340.00 |
| 6/17/2026 | NRM | Draft communication to Committee re status update (.2); communications w/ JAL and TEP re same (.1); communications w/ Committee re same (.1). | 0.4 | $915.00 | $366.00 |
| | | **Total** | **0.60** | | **$706.00** |
| | | Total Professional Services | 5.5 | | $5,508.50 |

**PERSON RECAP**

| Person | | Title | Hours | Rate | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| JAL | Jeffrey A. Liesemer | Member | 1.2 | $1,700.00 | $2,040.00 |
| TEP | Todd E. Phillips | Member | 0.1 | $1,625.00 | $162.50 |
| NRM | Nathaniel R. Miller | Of Counsel | 2.4 | $915.00 | $2,196.00 |
| MEB | Matthew E. Beckerman | Associate | 1.3 | $625.00 | $812.50 |
| RLD | Rachael L. Davis | Paralegal | 0.5 | $595.00 | $297.50 |

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| Total Services | $5,508.50 |
| Total Current Charges | $5,508.50 |
| Previous Balance | $46,150.90 |
| **PAY THIS AMOUNT** | **$51,659.40** |

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## TASK RECAP

**Services**

| Category | Hours | Amount |
|---|---|---|
| .04 | 0.20 | $119.00 |
| .05 | 1.90 | $2,445.00 |
| .07 | 0.40 | $341.00 |
| .10 | 2.40 | $1,897.50 |
| .15 | 0.60 | $706.00 |
| | 5.50 | $5,508.50 |

**Disbursements**

| Category | Amount |
|---|---|
| | $0.00 |

## BREAKDOWN BY PERSON

| Person | | Category | Hours | Rate | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RLD | Rachael L. Davis | .04 | 0.20 | $595.00 | $119.00 |
| JAL | Jeffrey A. Liesemer | .05 | 0.90 | $1,700.00 | $1,530.00 |
| NRM | Nathaniel R. Miller | .05 | 1.00 | $915.00 | $915.00 |
| TEP | Todd E. Phillips | .07 | 0.10 | $1,625.00 | $162.50 |
| RLD | Rachael L. Davis | .07 | 0.30 | $595.00 | $178.50 |
| JAL | Jeffrey A. Liesemer | .10 | 0.10 | $1,700.00 | $170.00 |
| NRM | Nathaniel R. Miller | .10 | 1.00 | $915.00 | $915.00 |
| MEB | Matthew E. Beckerman | .10 | 1.30 | $625.00 | $812.50 |
| JAL | Jeffrey A. Liesemer | .15 | 0.20 | $1,700.00 | $340.00 |
| NRM | Nathaniel R. Miller | .15 | 0.40 | $915.00 | $366.00 |
| | | | 5.50 | | $5,508.50 |