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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
RICHMOND DIVISION

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

SUMMARY OF FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF REAVES PLLC FOR THE ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS COUNSEL TO THE FUTURE CLAIMANTS' REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PERIOD MAY 15, 2025 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Reaves PLLC
Name of Client:	Marla Rosoff Eskin, Esq., Future Claimants' Representative
Petition Date:	June 30, 2024
Retention Date:	May 15, 2025
Date of Order Approving Employment:	July 15, 2025 *nunc pro tunc* to May 15, 2025
This Final Application	
Time Period Covered:	May 15, 2025 to September 15, 2026
Total Hours Billed:	110.0
Total Fees Requested:	$54,411.00
Total Expenses Requested:	$110.70
Fees Requested Over Budget:	N/A
Blended Rate:	$494.65
Rate Increases Not Previously Approved/Disclosed:	None
Total Professionals:	3

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Total Professionals Not in Staffing Plan:	N/A
Total Professionals Billing Less Than 15 Hours:	2
Historical	
Fees Approved to Date by Interim Order:	$47,283.00
Expenses Approved to Date by Interim Order:	$110.70
Allowed Fees Paid to Date:	$0.00
Allowed Expenses Paid to Date:	$0.00
Fees Paid Pursuant to Monthly Statements, Not Yet Allowed:	$0.00
Expenses Paid Pursuant to Monthly Statements, Not Yet Allowed:	$0.00

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Pursuant to sections 327, 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"), the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Local 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. 162] (the "Interim Compensation Order"), the law firm of Reaves PLLC (the "Reaves Firm"), co-counsel for the Future Claimants' Representative (the "FCR"), hereby files this final fee application (the "Application") requesting (i) allowance of final compensation in the amount of $54,411.00 for reasonable and necessary legal services rendered by the Reaves Firm to the FCR during the period May 15, 2025 through and including September 15, 2026 (the "Fee Period"), (ii) reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses that the Reaves Firm incurred during the Fee

Period in the amount of $110.70, and (iii) directing payment of $7,128.00, representing the unpaid fees and expenses from the previously approved interim fee application. In support of this Application, the Reaves Firm respectfully states as follows:

I. Jurisdiction, Venue, and Predicate for Relief

1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157. The FCR consent to the entry of a final order by this Court, consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1408 and 1409.

2. The bases for the relief requested are Sections 330 and 331 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and Rule 2016-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure for this Court.

II. Background

3. On June 30, 2024 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

4. The Debtor continues to manage its business as debtor in possession pursuant to sections 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee, examiner, or statutory committee has been appointed in this chapter 11 case.

5. On July 22, 2024, the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") [Docket No. 69].

6. On September 9, 2024, the Court entered the Interim Compensation Order, which approved the compensation procedures set forth therein (the "Compensation Procedures").

7. On July 15, 2025, the Court entered an order authorizing the FCR to retain and employ the Reaves Firm as co-counsel effective as of May 15, 2025, the date of the FCR's appointment.

8. On October 31, 2025, the Court entered its proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law [Docket No. 1267] recommending that the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, issue the proposed order (the "Confirmation Order") confirming the *Amended Plan of Reorganization of Hopeman Brothers, Inc. under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code*, dated May 21, 2025 [Docket No. 766] (as modified by the *Modified Amended Plan of Reorganization of Hopeman Brothers, Inc. Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code*, dated August 21, 2025 [Docket No. 1141] and the *Second Modified Amended Plan of Reorganization of Hopeman Brothers, Inc. Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code*, dated September 5, 2025 [Docket No. 1185], the "Plan"). On September 15, 2026, the Effective Date (as defined in the Plan) of the Plan occurred.

III. Relief Requested

9. The Reaves Firm submits this Application requesting entry of an order (i) allowing fees for services rendered to the FCR during the Fee Period in the aggregate amount of $54,411.00 on a final basis, (ii) approving the actual, reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the Reaves Firm in providing services totaling $110.70, and (iii) directing the Debtor to pay the unpaid portion of the allowed fees and unpaid expenses totaling $7,128.00.

IV. Basis for Relief Requested

1. Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code provides for interim and final compensation of professionals and incorporates the substantive standards of section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code to govern the Court's award of such compensation. Section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that a court may award a professional employed under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code,

"reasonable compensation for actual necessary services rendered . . . and reimbursement for actual, necessary expenses." 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). Section 330 also sets forth the criteria for the award of such compensation and reimbursement:

> In determining the amount of reasonable compensation to be awarded, the court should consider the nature, extent, and the value of such services, taking into account all relevant factors, including—
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> (a) the time spent on such services;
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> (b) the rates charged for such services;
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> (c) whether the services were necessary to the administration of, or beneficial at the time at which the service was rendered toward the completion of, a case under this title;
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> (d) whether the services were performed within a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue, or task addressed; and
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> (e) whether the compensation is reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under this title.

11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3).

10. During the Fee Period, the FCR and its counsel, including the Reaves Firm, actively participated in this case, including the plan confirmation process, various adversary matters brought against, among others, the FCR by various of the Debtor's insurers, contested matters and otherwise supported the FCR in fulfilling her duties.

11. Pursuant to the terms of the Compensation Procedures, the Reaves Firm filed and served one prior Interim Fee Application on January 28, 2026 [Docket No. 1382] (the "First Interim Application"), which was approved by Order dated February 17, 2026 [Docket No. 1404].[1]

[1] The First Interim Application is incorporated herein by reference.

In addition, consistent with the Compensation Procedures, the Reaves Firm filed one additional Monthly Fee Statement [Docket No. 1244] (the "Fee Statement") that was not included within the First Interim Application, which Fee Statement, together with all exhibits, is incorporated herein by reference.

12. This Application is supported by the following Exhibits, which are attached hereto: (i) Exhibit A contains a summary schedule of the time expended by all of the Reaves Firm's professionals and paraprofessionals engaged in the representation of the FCR during the Fee Period; (ii) Exhibit B contains a summary schedule of hours and fees during the Fee Period, categorized by project code; (iii) Exhibit C contains a summary schedule of the out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Reaves Firm during the Fee Period; and (iv) Exhibit D contains true and correct copies of invoices that were not previously filed and served pursuant to the First Interim Application or the Fee Statement and that previously have not been approved.

13. The Reaves Firm respectfully submits that the services for which it seeks compensation in this Application were, at the time rendered, necessary for and beneficial to the FCR and served to protect the interests of the stakeholders of the Debtor. The Reaves Firm further believes that it performed the services for the FCR economically, effectively, and efficiently, and the results obtained benefited the FCR and her constituents. The Reaves Firm further submits that the fees requested herein are reasonable in light of the nature, extent, and value of such services to the FCR, the Debtor's estate, and all parties in interest.

14. No agreement or understanding exists between the Reaves Firm and any other person for the sharing of compensation received or to be received for services rendered in or in connection with this case.

V. Statement Pursuant to Appendix B Guidelines

15. The following is provided in response to the questions set forth in ¶C.5 of the

Appendix B Guidelines:

Question: Did you agree to any variations from, or alternatives to, your standard or customary billing rates, fees, or terms for services pertaining to this engagement that were provided during the application period? If so, please explain.

Response: No.

Question: If the fees sought in this fee application as compared to the fees budgeted for the time period covered by this fee application by 10% or more, did you discuss the reasons for the variation with the client?

Response: As local co-counsel, the Reaves Firm has not submitted a budget for services to the FCR.

Question: Have any of the professionals included in this fee application varied their hourly rate based on the geographic location of the bankruptcy case.

Response: No.

Question: Does this fee application include time or fees related to reviewing the time records or preparing, reviewing, or revising of invoices. If so, please quantify by hours and fees.

Response: No.

Question: Does this fee application include time or fees for reviewing time records to redact any privileged or confidential information?

Response: No.

Question: If the fee application includes any rate increases since retention: (i) Did your client review and approve those rate increases in advance? (ii) Did your client agree when retaining the law firm to accept all future rate increases? If not, did you inform your client that they need not agree to modified rates or terms in order to have you continue the representation, consistent with ABA Formal Ethics Opinion 11-458?

Answer: This Application did not include any rate increases.

VI. Notice

16. Notice of this Application has been provided to all necessary parties in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.

WHEREFORE, the Reaves Firm requests entry of an order (i) allowing fees for services rendered to the FCR in the amount of $54,411.00 on a final basis, (ii) approving the actual, reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the Reaves Firm in providing such services totaling $110.70, (iii) directing the Debtor to pay the unpaid portion of the allowed fees and unpaid expenses totaling $7,128.00, and (iii) granting to the Reaves Firm such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: October 30, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Professional	**Position**	**Year Admitted**	**Hourly Billing Rate**	**Hours Billed**	**Total Compensation**
J. Bradley Reaves	Partner	2001	$525	.7	$367.50
Michael Wilson	Counsel	2001	$495	109.00	$53,955.00
Sallie-Carol Hopwood	Paralegal	N/A	$295	.3	$88.50
TOTAL				**110.00**	**$54,411.00**
			Blended Rate	$494.65/hour	

EXHIBIT B

Summary of Fees and Expenses

Matter Code	Matter Description	Hours Expended	Fees Requested
B110	Case Administration	13.1	$6,424.50
B160	Fee/Employment Applications	31.2	$15,465.00
B190	Other Contested Matters	17.1	$8,464.50
B320	Plan and Disclosure Statement	48.6	$24,057.00
		110.00	$54,411.00

EXHIBIT C

Expenses

Expenses by Category	Amount
Travel (parking for hearings)	$110.70
TOTAL	$110.70

EXHIBIT D

Previously Unfiled Invoices During Fee Period

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INVOICE

Marla Rosoff Eskin

Invoice Date: October 14, 2026
Invoice Number: 47206
Invoice Amount: $5,841.00
Current Balance Due: $7,128.00

Matter: Hopeman Brothers, Inc.

Attorney's Fees

10/16/2025	Review first interim fee app of co-counsel; correspond with counsel re: structure of interim app and issues related to combining monthly with quarterly [TASK CODE: B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	.80	$396.00
10/16/2025	Review revised monthly fee app for co-counsel and provide comments; prepare, file and serve same [TASK CODE: B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	1.10	$544.50
10/16/2025	Prepare, file and serve monthly fee statement for Reaves [TASK CODE: B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	1.40	$693.00
10/16/2025	Prepare first interim fee application [TASK CODE: B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	2.20	$1,089.00
11/20/2025	Review plan proponent's statement in response to proposed findings and conclusions - TASK CODE B320 - Plan and Disclosure Statement (including Business Plan)	M.W.	.40	$198.00
1/16/2026	Review and revise quarterly fee app for co-counsel to conform to local and clean up nits [TASK CODE B160-Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	1.90	$940.50
2/12/2026	Call with counsel for debtor re: status of hearing on 2/18; review docket and prepare CNO and draft order; correspondence with office of UST re: review of draft order [TASK CODE B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	1.10	$544.50
2/13/2026	Finalize, prepare and file CNO for interim fee	M.W.	.70	$346.50

	app; prepare draft order and submit to chambers [TASK CODE B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]			
2/17/2026	Various emails with co-counsel and counsel for debtor re: status of orders approving fee apps; revise CNO and proposed order to comply with local rules; prepare, file and serve same [TASK CODE B160 - Fee/Employment Applications]	M.W.	.90	$445.50
7/13/2026	Review and revise joinder; call with counsel for debtor re: status of joinder; prepare, file and serve same [TASK CODE B190 - Other Contested Matters (excluding assumption/rejection motions)]	M.W.	.50	$247.50
7/15/2026	Participate in hearing re: motion to amend mediation order [TASK CODE B190 - Other Contested Matters (excluding assumption/rejection motions)]	M.W.	.80	$396.00
SUBTOTAL:			11.80	$5,841.00

Costs

SUBTOTAL:	$0.00
TOTAL:	$5,841.00
PREVIOUS BALANCE DUE:	$1,287.00
CURRENT BALANCE DUE AND OWING:	$7,128.00

Payment due upon receipt

If payment is not received within thirty (30) days, interest will accrue at 1.5% per month in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter.

Matter Ledgers

10/17/2025	Balance before last invoice	$30,222.50
10/17/2025	Invoice 44605	$1,287.00
2/25/2026	Payment	($4,292.80)
2/25/2026	Payment	($7,777.40)
2/25/2026	Payment	($18,152.30
10/14/2026	Invoice 47206	) $5,841.00
TOTAL:		$7,128.00

Trust Account

10/14/2026	Previous Balance	$0.00
Available in Trust:		$0.00

REAVES GOVCON GROUP ACCEPTS PAYMENTS VIA LAWPAY:

https://secure.lawpay.com/pages/reavesgovcongroup/operating

If you have any questions, please contact our office 757.410.8066