

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA (Elkins)

IN RE: PANTHERA ENTERPRISES, LLC, Debtor.	Bankruptcy No. 2:19-bk-00787 Chapter 11
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VERIFICATION OF PROPOSED ATTORNEY

I, Robert S. Bernstein, Esq. (the “Affiant”), herby verify, under penalty of perjury:

- 1) I am an attorney and counselor at law, duly admitted to practice in the State of West Virginia and in this Court.
- 2) I practice law with the law firm of Bernstein-Burkley, P.C (the “Firm”). The Firm maintains offices for the practice of law at 48 14th Street, Suite 301 Hare Building, P.O. Box 430, Wheeling, WV 26003.
- 3) The Firm has no connection with Panthera Enterprises, LLC (“Panthera”), the above named Debtor, its creditors, or any other party in interest herein, or their respective attorneys or accountants, except that Firm represents Panthera, in this proceeding.
- 4) The Firm represents no interest adverse to Panthera, or its estate in the matters upon which it is to be engaged, except as disclosed herein.
- 5) The Firm currently represents and out of an abundance of caution has received a conflicts waiver from the following creditors of Panthera Enterprises, LLC in other proceedings unrelated to this proceeding:
 - a) De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc. – De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc. is a creditor of Panthera Enterprises, LLC. The Firm represents De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc. in various matters. The Firm does not represent (and has never represented) De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc. in any matter related to Panthera Enterprises, LLC. This creditor has agreed to a conflict waiver.

- b) US Food Services, Inc. – US Food Services, Inc. is a creditor of Panthera Enterprises, LLC. The Firm represents US Food Services, Inc. in various matters. The Firm does not represent (and has never represented) US Food Services, Inc. in any matter related to Panthera Enterprises, LLC. This creditor has agreed to a conflict waiver.
- 6) The Affiant knows of no other material connection.
- 7) Based on the foregoing, the Affiant believes that he and the Firm are disinterested “persons” within the meaning of Section 101(14) and 327 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 8) Bernstein-Burkley, P.C. has not received a retainer in this matter.
- 9) The terms of the employment of Bernstein-Burkley, P.C. as agreed to by the Debtor-in-Possession, subject to the approval of the Court, are that certain attorneys and other personnel within the Firm will undertake this representation at their standard hourly rates. The individuals presently designated to represent the Debtor-in-Possession and their hourly rates as of January 1, 2019, are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 10) These hourly rates are subject to periodic adjustments to reflect economic and other conditions, and with respect to those below the level of senior partner, to reflect their increased experience and expertise in this area of the law. Robert S. Bernstein and Bernstein-Burkley, P.C. may make periodic applications for interim compensation, and if, at the completion of the case the results merit it, may make application to the Court for the allowance of a premium above their designated hourly rates.

Dated: September 23, 2019

BERNSTEIN-BURKLEY, P.C.,

By: /s/ Robert S. Bernstein

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EXHIBIT A

Initials	Attorney Name	2019 Client Rates
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JJR	JOHN J. RICHARDSON	\$ 310.00
KE	KEILA ESTEVEZ	\$ 200.00
KPE	KERI EBECK	\$ 300.00
KCS	KERRI C. STURM	\$ 325.00
KBB	KIRK B. BURKLEY	\$ 425.00
KFP	KIT F. PETTIT	\$ 340.00
LSM	LARA S. MARTIN	\$ 275.00
MAL	MARK LINDSAY	\$ 340.00
NDK	NICHOLAS D. KRAWEC	\$ 385.00
RPW	RAY P. WENDOLOWSKI	\$ 265.00
RSB	ROBERT S. BERNSTEIN	\$ 550.00
SEW	SARAH WENRICH	\$ 175.00
Paralegals		
CAB	CHERYL A. BAUER	\$ 175.00
CNW	CHRISTINA WIRICK	\$ 155.00
KEA	KEITH ALEXANDER	\$ 125.00
JFB	JIM BLUEMLE	\$ 145.00
RLM	RACHEL MCCARTNEY	\$ 145.00
AS	ABIGAIL SMITH	\$ 145.00