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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

Stoli Group (USA) LLC, ¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

(Jointly Administered)

In re:

KENTUCKY OWL, LLC,

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80147-swe11

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FEE APPLICATION COVER SHEET FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH FEBRUARY 5, 2026

FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS

Debtor: <u>Stoli Group (USA) LLC²</u>	Applicant: <u>Brown Rudnick LLP</u>
Case No.: <u>24-80146-swe11</u>	Client: <u>Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors</u>
Chapter: <u>11</u>	Case Filed: <u>November 27, 2024</u>
Debtor: <u>KENTUCKY OWL, LLC,³</u>	Applicant: <u>Brown Rudnick LLP</u>
Case No.: <u>24-80147-swe11</u>	Client: <u>Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors</u>
Chapter: <u>11</u>	Case Filed: <u>November 27, 2024</u>

SECTION 1
FEE SUMMARY

☐ Monthly Fee Application No. or ☒ Interim Fee Application No. 5 or ☐ Final Fee Application

Summary of Amounts Requested for the Period from January 1, 2026 through February 5, 2026
(the “Fifth Interim Period”)

Total Fees:	\$438,393.70 ⁴
Total Disbursements:	\$9,384.26
Total Fourth Interim Fee Application:	\$447,777.96

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⁴ Over the period of January 1, 2026 through February 5, 2026, Brown Rudnick reduced its requested fees by \$9,317.50. The deduction pertains to, among other things, voluntary reductions for transient timekeepers and certain other fee application preparation time that is non-compensable under the guidelines promulgated by the Office of the United States Trustee.

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – PARTNERS				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Robert J. Stark	Partner; Admitted to New Jersey Bar in 1995; New York Bar in 1996; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,600	22.2	\$57,720.00
Jeffrey L. Jonas	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 1988; Dispute Resolution & Restructuring	\$2,600	23.4	\$54,340.00
Bennett S. Silverberg	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 2001; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,175	21.8	\$47,415.00
Tristan G. Axelrod	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 2015; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$1,775	107.1	\$180,887.70
Nicole M. Bouchard	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 2009; Tax	\$1,625	2.1	\$3,412.50
Daniel J. Healy	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 1999; Massachusetts in 1999; District of Columbia in 2002; Maryland in 2005; Litigation & Dispute Resolution	\$1,450	2.3	\$3,335.00
Catherine Gardner	Partner; Admitted to Washington, DC Bar in 1996; New York Bar in 2011; Corporate	\$1,350	4.4	\$5,940.00
TOTAL			183.3	\$353,050.20
PARTNER BLENDED RATE		\$1,926.08		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – ASSOCIATES AND OTHER COUNSEL				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Andrew Rizkalla	Associate; Admitted to Illinois Bar in 2021; Tennessee Bar in 2021; New York Bar in 2023; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$980	62.2	\$60,956.00
Bryan Garcia	Associate; Admitted to New York Bar in 2024; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$825	19.6	\$18,130.00
TOTAL			81.8	\$79,086.00
ASSOCIATE & OTHER COUNSEL BLENDED RATE		\$966.82		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN - PARAPROFESSIONALS				
Name of Professional Person	Position/Numbers of Years	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Harriet E. Cohen	Paralegal; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring; over 35 years	\$575	10.9	\$6,267.50
TOTAL			10.9	\$6,267.50
PARAPROFESSIONALS BLENDED RATE		\$575.00		
GRAND TOTAL			276.0	\$438,393.70
BLENDED RATE FOR ALL BROWN RUDNICK TIMEKEEPERS		\$1,588.38		

Fee Totals: \$438,393.70

Disbursements Totals: \$ 9,384.26

Total Fee Application \$447,777.96

**SECTION II
SUMMARY OF
SERVICES**

PROJECT CATEGORY	HOURS	FEE
Case Administration	7.6	\$5,332.00
Meetings and Communications with Committee	.8	\$1,248.00
Employment and Fee Applications	3.1	\$2,147.00
Plan and Disclosure Statement	.0	\$0.00
Stay Relief/Injunction Litigation	0.0	\$0.00
Committee Governance Matters	0.0	\$0.00
Non-Working Travel	15.4	\$15,735.20
Committee Investigation (Lender)	0.0	\$0.00
Committee Investigation (Non-Lender)	0.00	\$0.00
Claims Administration and Objections	0.0	\$0.00
Tax	0.0	\$0.0
Hearings	13.6	\$24,780.00
Regulatory Issues	0.0	\$0.00
Asset Sales and Disposition	0.0	\$0.00
Contested Matters	0.0	\$0.00
DIP Financing/Cash Collateral	232.8	\$385,106.50
Intellectual Property	0.0	\$0.00
Business Operations	0.0	\$0.00
Insurance	2.7	\$4,045.00
SERVICE TOTALS:	276.0	\$438,393.70

**SECTION III
SUMMARY OF
DISBURSEMENTS**

DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT
Airfare	\$1,612.53
In-house Copies	\$32.00
Westlaw Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$4,550.00
Hotel	\$791.65
Meals	\$320.30
Pacer Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$20.40
Taxi	\$384.07
Transcripts	\$1,054.90
Lexis Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$106.70
Outside Copies	\$511.71
SERVICE TOTALS:	\$9,384.26

I certify under penalty of perjury that the above is true.

Date: June 29, 2026

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² The Debtor in this Chapter 11 Case, along with the last four digits of the Debtor's federal tax identification number, is: Kentucky Owl, LLC (3826). The Debtor's address is Attn: Claudia Z. Springer, Chapter 11 Trustee, c/o NOVO Advisors LLC, 200 W. Madison Street, Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

**FIFTH INTERIM APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE OF FEES AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF BROWN RUDNICK LLP, AS COUNSEL
TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR SERVICES
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD
FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH AND INCLUDING FEBRUARY 5, 2026**

**FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS**

If you object to the relief requested, you must respond in writing. Unless otherwise directed by the Court, you must file your response electronically at <https://ecf.txnb.uscourts.gov/> no more than twenty-one (21) days after the date this application was filed. If you do not have electronic filing privileges, you must file a written objection that is actually received by the clerk and filed on the docket no more than twenty-one (21) days after the date this application was filed. Otherwise, the Court may treat the pleading as unopposed and grant the relief requested.

SUMMARY SHEET

- I. REQUESTING FIRM:** Brown Rudnick, LLP
- II. CLIENT:** Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors
- III. TIME PERIOD:** January 1, 2026 – February 5, 2026 (the “Application Period”)
- IV. PETITION DATE:** November 27, 2024
- V. RETENTION:** Order entered March 7, 2025, effective as of December 31, 2024 [Docket No. 283]
- VI. STATUS OF CASE:** Chapter 11 plan was filed on April 29, 2025 [Docket No. 389] and subsequently amended on June 25, 2025 [Docket No. 580].

VII. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEES AND EXPENSES REQUESTED:

Amount Requested		Voluntary Reductions
Fees	\$438,393.70	\$9,317.50
Expenses	\$9,384.26	\$0.00
Total Fees and Expenses Incurred	\$447,777.96	
Less: Payments Received to Date	(\$148,149.69)	
Total Payment Requested	\$299,628.27	

VIII. RETAINER: N/A

IX. HOURLY RATES:

	Attorney	Paralegal/Professional Staff
Highest Billed Rate:	\$2,600.00	\$575.00
Total Hours Billed:	265.1	10.9
Blended Rate:	\$1,630.05	\$575.00

Statement from the Applicant

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?	No.
If the fees sought in this fee application as compared to the fees budgeted for the time period covered by this fee application are higher by 10% or more, did you discuss the reasons for the variation with the client?	N/A.
Have any of the professionals included in this fee application varied their hourly rate based on the geographic location of the bankruptcy case?	No.
Does the fee application include time or fees related to reviewing, revising, or redacting time records or preparing, reviewing, or revising invoices?	No.
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?	The retention application disclosed the 2024 and 2025 rates. Brown Rudnick filed a <i>Notice of Rate Increase</i> on December 19, 2026 at Docket No. 1010.
Rates in Application are higher than those approved or disclosed at retention?	Brown Rudnick's' retention application disclosed potential periodic annual rate increases. The last such rate increase was effective January 1, 2026. Notice of the rate increase was filed at Docket No. 1010.
Number of Professionals included in this Application	Ten (10) including paralegals.
If applicable, number of professionals in this Application not included in staffing plan approved by client:	N/A.
If applicable, difference between fees budgeted and compensation sought for the Application Period:	N/A.
Number of Professionals billing fewer than 15 hours to the Chapter 11 Cases during the Application Period:	Three (3).

Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”), as counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”), of Stoli Group (USA) LLC and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), hereby submits this Fifth Interim Fee Application (the “Fourth Interim Application”), pursuant to section 330 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 Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the “Local Rules”); this Court’s *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Professionals* dated January 23, 2025 (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 209]; the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013* (the “U.S. Trustee Guidelines”); and this Court’s *Guidelines for Compensation and Expense Reimbursement of Professionals, effective January 1, 2001* (together with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, the “Fee Guidelines”) for the interim allowance of compensation for professional services provided in the amount of \$438,393.70 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$9,384.26 that Brown Rudnick incurred for the period from January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026 (the “Application Period”) and requests entry of an order granting the Fifth Interim Application and authorizing interim allowance of compensation and directing payment thereof.

In support of the Fifth Interim Application, Brown Rudnick respectfully represents as follows:

BACKGROUND

1. On November 27, 2024 (the “Petition Date”), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Texas (the “Court”).

2. The Debtors continue to operate and manage their business as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 1107(a) and 1108. No trustee or examiner has been requested or appointed in these Cases.

3. On December 23, 2024, the Office of the United States Trustee (the “U.S. Trustee” or “UST”) appointed three eligible creditors to the Committee. *See Appointment of the Official Unsecured Creditors’ Committee* [Docket No. 93].

4. On December 31, 2024, the Committee selected Brown Rudnick to serve as its counsel in these Cases.

5. On January 23, 2025, the Court entered the Interim Compensation Order. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, the Court established a procedure for payment of interim compensation and reimbursement of disbursements for professionals retained in these Cases. In particular, the Court authorized the filing and service to certain Notice Parties (as defined under the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals* [Docket No. 209] (the “Interim Compensation Order”)) of interim fee applications by professionals retained in these Cases (including professionals employed by the Committee) and payment by the Debtors of 20% of all unpaid requested fees (including the 20% holdback) and expenses.

6. On January 28, 2025, the Committee filed the *Application for Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Brown Rudnick LLP as Counsel for the Official Committee of*

Unsecured Creditors of Stoli Group (USA) LLC, et al., Effective as of December 31, 2024 (the “Retention Application”) [Docket No. 218]. On March 7, 2025, the Court entered an order approving the Retention Application [Docket No. 283].

7. This Fifth Interim Application is Brown Rudnick’s fifth application for allowance of interim compensation for services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses. Brown Rudnick has previously served (2) monthly statements (together, the “Monthly Fee Applications”), covering the Fifth Application Period upon the Notice Parties pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order. The Application concerns the pre-Feb 5, 2026 period during which fees were to be sought against both debtors pursuant to, among other orders of this Court, paragraph 7 of the orders entered March 31, 2026 terminating joint administration, found on Stoli USA docket no. 1252 and Kentucky Owl docket no. 37 (professionals to apply for compensation “with respect to all services rendered and expenses incurred on or prior to February 5, 2026, with a single application to be filed on the docket in both cases”).

8. This Fifth Interim Application concerns the period prior to and including Feb. 5, 2026, the effective date of termination of joint administration. Prior to such date, the Committee was appointed in both jointly administered cases, acted as fiduciary of creditors of both Debtors without distinction, and sought payment of its professional fees and expenses from both estates. Upon termination of joint administration, the Court ordered that allowance of fees and expenses shall be sought “with respect to all services rendered and expenses incurred on or prior to February 5, 2026, with a single application to be filed on the docket in both cases.” Stoli USA Dkt. No. 1252; Kentucky Owl Dkt. No. 37, paragraph 7 (identical order language). Accordingly, this Fifth Interim Application is being filed on the docket in both the Stoli USA and Kentucky Owl cases, and payment is sought from both formerly jointly administered Debtors.

**SUMMARY OF SERVICES PERFORMED BY
BROWN RUDNICK DURING THE SECOND INTERIM FEE PERIOD**

9. **DIP Financing/Cash Collateral: Fees: \$385,106.50; Total Hours: 232.8.** During the Application Period, Brown Rudnick expended the bulk of its time (a) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Emergency Motion for an Order Pursuant to Section 1112(b) of the Bankruptcy Code Converting These Cases to Cases Under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code* [Dkt. No. 1043] (the "Conversion Motion"); (b) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Objection to Fifth Third Bank, National Association's Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1076] in opposition to *Fifth Third Bank, National Association's Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1055] (the "Trustee Motion"); (c) related preparations in connection with the hearing on the foregoing matters, including preparation of a declaration in support of the Committee's Conversion Motion; and (d) ongoing negotiations with the Debtors and Fifth Third Bank towards a consensual resolution of the matters to be heard at the January 30th hearing and documented thereafter.

10. **Hearings: Fees: \$24,780.00; Total Hours: 13.6.** During the Application Period, Brown Rudnick prepared for and attended various hearings relating to the Conversion Motion and the Trustee Motion, and the Debtors' Conversion Motion and various cash collateral approval and related case financing and management issues related thereto.

11. Brown Rudnick has continually made every effort to maximize recoveries for the Committee and all creditors in these Cases. Rudnick asserts that the foregoing services were necessary to the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases and were beneficial to the Committee at the time which the services were rendered. All services were performed within a reasonable

amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue or task addressed.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

12. As noted above, Brown Rudnick was retained to serve in the capacity of counsel to the Committee by Order of this Court dated March 7, 2025, which retention was effective *nunc pro tunc* as of December 31, 2024.

13. This Fifth Interim Application represents Brown Rudnick's fifth interim application as counsel to the Committee and covers the period from January 1, 2026, through February 5, 2026.

14. The computerized time sheets included with the Monthly Fee Applications attached hereto as Exhibit C, and Exhibit D detail the services rendered by the members and associates of Brown Rudnick, the hourly rate charged by each member, associate or paralegal, and the actual time expended in the performance of such services. Said time sheets reflect that Brown Rudnick has expended 276.0 hours in performing services for the Committee, resulting in charges of \$438,393.70. The blended hourly rate charged herein is \$1,588.38 which Brown Rudnick believes is fair and reasonable in light of the nature of the services rendered and the expertise of the professionals rendering such services.

15. The Monthly Fee Applications also include a detailed breakdown of all out-of-pocket disbursements incurred by Brown Rudnick in the performance of its duties as counsel to the Committee, which total \$14,884.97. In the normal course of Brown Rudnick's practice, expenses are only charged to a client after the expenses are actually incurred by Brown Rudnick.

16. The following Monthly Fee Applications which comprise this Fourth Interim Application were served pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order:

Date Served	Filing Period	Total Fees (at 100%)	20% Holdback	Fees Requested (at 80%)	Expenses Requested (at 100%)
(Thirteenth) 2/26/2026	January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026	\$362,718.70	\$72,543.74	\$290,174.96	\$8,717.05
(Fourteenth - Partial) 4/29/2026	February 1, 2026 – February 28, 2026	\$75,675.00	\$15,135.00	\$60,540.00	\$667.21
TOTAL		\$438,393.70	\$87,678.74	\$350,714.96	\$9,384.26

PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTED

17. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, Brown Rudnick submits this Fifth Interim Application seeking interim approval and allowance of compensation in the amount of \$438,393.70 and actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$9,384.26, incurred during the interim period from January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026.

18. Brown Rudnick has not previously applied for payment of any fees or reimbursement of any disbursement during the Cases, except for the Monthly Fee Applications and our First, Second, Third, and Fourth Interim Fee Applications that it has served upon the Notice Parties. Brown Rudnick does not hold a retainer in respect of its services as counsel to the Committee.

19. In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 504 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016(a), no agreement or understanding exists between Brown Rudnick and any other person for the sharing of compensation received or to be received for services rendered in or in connection with these Cases.

20. No agreement or understanding prohibited by 18 U.S.C. § 155 has been or will be made by Brown Rudnick.

21. The undersigned has reviewed the requirements of Local Rule 2016-1 and certifies that this Application complies with that Local Rule.

22. Notice of this Fifth Interim Application has been provided in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order. Brown Rudnick submits that no other of further notice need to be provided.

23. Annexed hereto and made part hereof as Exhibit A is the Certification of Bennett S. Silverberg, with respect to compliance of Local Rules submitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code.

RELIEF REQUESTED

24. By this Application, Brown Rudnick requests entry of an order substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “Proposed Order”) granting interim allowance and approval of one hundred percent (100%) of the fees and expenses incurred by Brown Rudnick during the Application Period.

25. In accordance with the factors enumerated in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, it is respectfully submitted that the amount of compensation requested by Brown Rudnick in this Fourth Interim Application is fair and reasonable given (a) the complexity of the Chapter 11 Cases, (b) the time expended, (c) the nature and extent of the services rendered, (d) the value of such services, and (e) the costs of comparable services other than in a case under the Bankruptcy Code.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Brown Rudnick respectfully requests (a) interim approval and allowance of compensation for professional and paraprofessional services rendered as counsel to the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$438,393.70; (b) interim approval and allowance of the amount of actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the course of providing

services as counsel to the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$9,384.26; (c) approval of payment of the Holdbacks in the amount of \$87,678.74; and (d) entry of an order authorizing and directing that the Debtors, as debtors-in-possession, pay to the Applicant the amounts allowed, subject to amounts paid on account of the Monthly Fee Applications under the Interim Compensation Order, and granting any and all further relief as may be appropriate.

Dated: June 29, 2026

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on June 29, 2026, the foregoing Application was served (i) via the Court's CM/ECF system upon all parties receiving such service in this bankruptcy case; and (ii) via e-mail upon the following parties:

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EXHIBIT A
(Certification)

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re: Stoli Group (USA) LLC, ¹ Debtors.	Chapter 11 Case No. 24-80146-swe11 (Jointly Administered)
In re: KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, ² Debtor.	Chapter 11 Case No. 24-80147-swe11

**FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS**

CERTIFICATION OF BENNETT S. SILVERBERG

I, Bennett S. Silverberg, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and after reasonable inquiry, hereby certify that:

1. I am a partner of Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”). Brown Rudnick was retained by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Stoli Group (USA) LLC, *et al.* (the “Committee”). I am an attorney-at-law, duly admitted and in good standing to practice in the State of New York and am admitted *pro hac vice* in this Court. This certification is made in support of the *Fifth Interim Application for Allowance of Fees and Reimbursement of Expenses of Brown*

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtors’ federal tax identification number, are: Stoli Group (USA), LLC (5602) and Kentucky Owl, LLC (3826). The Debtors’ address is: 135 East 57th Street, 9th Floor, New York City, New York 10022.

² The Debtor in this Chapter 11 Case, along with the last four digits of the Debtor’s federal tax identification number, is: Kentucky Owl, LLC (3826). The Debtor’s address is Attn: Claudia Z. Springer, Chapter 11 Trustee, c/o NOVO Advisors LLC, 200 W. Madison Street, Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

Rudnick LLP, as Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred for the Period of January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026 (the “Fifth Interim Application”).³

2. I have read the foregoing Fifth Interim Application. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the statements contained in the Fifth Interim Application are true and correct.

3. I certify that the compensation and expense reimbursement requested are billed at rates in accordance with practices no less favorable than those customarily employed by Brown Rudnick and generally accepted by Brown Rudnick’s clients.

4. In addition, I believe that the Fifth Interim Application complies with Local Bankruptcy Rules 2016-1.

Executed on June 29, 2026 in New York, New York.

BROWN RUDNICK LLP

/s/ Bennett S. Silverberg

Bennett S. Silverberg

³ Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Application.

EXHIBIT B
(Proposed Order)

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

Stoli Group (USA) LLC,¹

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

In re:

KENTUCKY OWL, LLC,²

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80147-swe11

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**FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS**

**ORDER GRANTING FIFTH INTERIM APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE OF FEES
AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF BROWN RUDNICK LLP, AS COUNSEL
TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR SERVICES
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD
FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH AND INCLUDING FEBRUARY 5, 2026**

Upon the *Fifth Application* (the “Application”)³ of Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”), as counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”), of Stoli Group (USA) LLC and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), seeking allowance and payment of compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred for the period from January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026 (the “Application Period”), the Court finds that after good and sufficient notice, due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the Application is **GRANTED** on an interim basis; and it is further

ORDERED that Brown Rudnick is hereby awarded interim compensation for professional services rendered as counsel to the Committee during the Fifth Interim Period in the total amount of \$438,393.70 (the “Fifth Interim Fees”); and it is further

ORDERED that Brown Rudnick is hereby awarded interim reimbursement for actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Brown Rudnick as counsel to the Committee during the Fifth Interim Period in the total amount of \$9,384.26 (the “Fifth Interim Expenses”); and it is further

³ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

ORDERED that, within ten (10) days following the entry of this Order, the Debtors shall remit to Brown Rudnick all unpaid portions of the Fifth Interim Fees and Fourth Interim Expenses, totaling \$299628.27.

END OF ORDER

Prepared and submitted by:

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EXHIBIT C
(Brown Rudnick Invoices for January 2026)

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

Stoli Group (USA) LLC, *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

(Jointly Administered)

Objection Deadline: March 8, 2026 at 4:00
p.m. (prevailing Central Time)

**COVER PAGE OF THIRTEENTH MONTHLY FEE APPLICATION OF
BROWN RUDNICK LLP, AS COUNSEL FOR THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR ALLOWANCE OF INTERIM COMPENSATION
AND FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS INCURRED FOR
THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2026**

Name of applicant:	Brown Rudnick LLP (“ <u>Brown Rudnick</u> ”)
Authorized to provide professional services to:	Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “ <u>Committee</u> ”)
Date retention approved:	Order Entered March 7, 2025 [Dkt. No. 283]; <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i> to December 31, 2024
Period for which compensation and reimbursement is sought:	January 1, 2026 through January 31, 2026
Amount of compensation sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$362,718.70 ² (Interim compensation sought for 80% of that amount, or \$290,174.96)
Amount of reimbursement sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$8,717.05
This is an <u>x</u> interim (monthly) _____ final application application	
This is the Thirteenth Monthly Fee Application for Compensation and Reimbursement of Disbursements.	

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² Over the period of January 1, 2026 through January 31, 2026, Brown Rudnick reduced its requested fees by \$7,935.50. The deduction pertains to, among other things, voluntary reductions for transient timekeepers and certain other fee application preparation time that is non-compensable under the guidelines promulgated by the Office of the United States Trustee.

SUMMARY OF TIME & COMPENSATION

January 1, 2026 through January 31, 2026

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – PARTNERS				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Robert J. Stark	Partner; Admitted to New Jersey Bar in 1995; New York Bar in 1996; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,600	19.2	\$49,920.00
Jeffrey L. Jonas	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 1994; New York Bar in 1996; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,600	17.7	\$46,020.00
		\$1,300	5.0	\$6,500.00
Bennett S. Silverberg	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 2001; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,175	13.2	\$28,710.00
Tristan G. Axelrod	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 2015; Bankruptcy & Restructuring	\$1,775	72.4	\$128,510.00
		\$888	10.4	\$9,235.20
Daniel J. Healy	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 1999; Washington, DC Bar in 2002; Maryland Bar in 2005; Litigation & Dispute Resolution	\$1,450	2.3	\$3,335.00
Catherine Gardner	Partner; Admitted to Washington, DC Bar in 1996; New York Bar in 2011; Corporate	\$1,350	4.4	\$5,940.00
TOTAL			144.6	\$278,170.20
PARTNER BLENDED RATE		\$1,923.72		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – ASSOCIATES AND OTHER COUNSEL				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Andrew Rizkalla	Associate; Admitted to Illinois Bar in 2021; Tennessee Bar in 2021; New York Bar in 2023; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$980	62.2	\$60,956.00
Bryan Garcia	Associate: Admitted to New York Bar in 2024 Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$925	19.6	\$18,130.00
TOTAL			81.8	\$79,086.00
ASSOCIATES AND OTHER COUNSEL BLENDED RATE		\$966.82		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – PARAPROFESSIONALS				
Name of Professional Person	Position/Number of Years	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Harriet E. Cohen	Paralegal; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring; over 35 years	\$575	9.5	\$5,462.50
TOTAL			9.5	\$5,462.50
PARAPROFESSIONALS BLENDED RATE		\$575.00		
GRAND TOTAL			235.9	\$362,718.70
BLENDED RATE FOR ALL BROWN RUDNICK TIMEKEEPERS		\$1,537.60		

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

Stoli Group (USA) LLC, *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

(Jointly Administered)

Objection Deadline: March 8, 2026 at 4:00
p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)

**THIRTEENTH MONTHLY FEE APPLICATION OF BROWN RUDNICK LLP,
AS COUNSEL FOR THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS
FOR ALLOWANCE OF INTERIM COMPENSATION AND FOR
REIMBURSEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS INCURRED
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2026**

Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”), as counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”) of Stoli Group (USA) LLC and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) in these Chapter 11 cases (the “Cases”), hereby submits this Thirteenth Monthly Fee Application for Allowance of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Disbursements (the “Application”) seeking (i) payment of \$290,174.96 representing eighty percent (80%) of Brown Rudnick’s fees of \$362,718.70, and (ii) reimbursement of one hundred percent (100%) of Brown Rudnick’s disbursements in the amount of \$8,717.05, for the period of January 1, 2026 through January 31, 2026 (the “Application Period”), as pursuant to section 330 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 Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of

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Texas (the “Local Rules”); this Courts *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals* dated January 23, 2025 (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Dkt. No. 209]; the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013* (the “U.S. Trustee Guidelines”); and this Court’s *Guidelines for Compensation and Expense Reimbursement of Professionals, effective January 1, 2001* (together with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, the “Fee Guidelines”). In support of this Application, Brown Rudnick hereby states as follows.

BACKGROUND

1. On November 27, 2024 (the “Petition Date”), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the “Court”).

2. The Debtors continue to operate and manage their businesses as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 1107(a) and 1108. No trustee or examiner has been requested or appointed in these Cases.

3. On December 23, 2024, the Office of the United States Trustee (the “U.S. Trustee” or “UST”) appointed three eligible creditors to the Committee. *See Appointment of the Official Unsecured Creditors’ Committee* [Dkt. No. 93].

4. On December 31, 2024, the Committee selected Brown Rudnick to serve as its counsel in these Cases.

5. On January 23, 2025, the Court entered the Interim Compensation Order. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, the Court established a procedure for payment of interim compensation and reimbursement of disbursements for professionals retained in these Cases. In particular, the Court authorized the filing and service to certain notice parties of monthly fee

applications by professionals retained in these Cases (including professionals employed by the Committee) and payment by the Debtors of 80% of fees and 100% of expenses, in the absence of an objection made within ten (10) days of service of the pertinent application.

6. On January 28, 2025, the Committee filed the *Application for Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Brown Rudnick LLP as Counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Stoli Group (USA) LLC, et al., Effective as of December 31, 2024* (the “Retention Application”) [Dkt No. 218]. On March 7, 2025, the Court entered an order approving the Retention Application [Dkt. No. 283].

PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTED

7. Brown Rudnick submits this Application for (a) payment of compensation for actual, reasonable, and necessary professional services performed by it as counsel for the Committee during the Application Period; and (b) reimbursement of actual, reasonable, and necessary disbursements incurred in representing the Committee during the Application Period. This Application is made pursuant to sections 328, 330, and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, the Interim Compensation Order, and the Fee Guidelines. This is Brown Rudnick’s thirteenth monthly fee application.

8. During the Application Period, Brown Rudnick rendered legal services to the Committee having a value of \$362,718.70 in fees, calculated at Brown Rudnick’s usual and customary hourly rates as more specifically set forth herein. In addition, Brown Rudnick incurred disbursements of \$8,717.05 during the Application Period. Thus, the total amount of fees (80% of the aggregate amount of fees for the Application Period) and disbursements for which Brown Rudnick seeks approval and payment on an interim basis for the Application Period is \$298,892.01.

9. Professional services and disbursements for which compensation and reimbursement are sought were provided to and incurred on behalf of the Committee. Brown Rudnick requests that it be compensated for the time spent and expenses incurred in connection with this matter. All of the fees and disbursements sought to be paid or reimbursed in this Application were actual, necessary, and reasonable, and benefited both the Debtors' estate and creditors.

10. As set forth in the Retention Application, the Committee retained Brown Rudnick as its counsel to provide the following professional services:

- a. assisting, advising, and representing the Committee in its meetings, consultations and negotiations with the Debtors and other parties in interest regarding the administration of these Cases;
- b. assisting, advising, and representing the Committee in understanding its powers and its duties under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules and in performing other services as are in the interests of those represented by the Committee;
- c. assisting with the Committee's review of the Debtors' Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, Statement of Financial Affairs and other financial reports prepared by or on behalf of the Debtors;
- d. assisting the Committee's investigation of the acts, conduct, assets, liabilities, and financial condition of the Debtors and its affiliates, including certain transactions preceding the bankruptcy filing and the formation of the Debtors;
- e. assisting and advising the Committee regarding the identification and prosecution of estate claims and causes of action;
- f. assisting and advising the Committee in its review and analysis of, and negotiations with the Debtors and any counterparties related to, any potential sale or restructuring transactions;
- g. reviewing and analyzing all applications, motions, complaints, orders, and other pleadings filed with the Court by the Debtors or third parties, and advising the Committee as to their propriety and, after consultation with the Committee, taking any appropriate action;
- h. preparing necessary applications, motions, answers, orders, reports, and other legal papers on behalf of the Committee, and pursuing or participating in contested

matters and adversary proceedings as may be necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the Committee's duties, interest, and objectives;

- i. representing the Committee at hearings held before the Court and communicating with the Committee regarding the issues raised, and the decisions of the Court;
- j. assisting, advising, and representing the Committee in connection with the review of filed proofs of claim and reconciliation of or objections to such proofs of claim and any claims estimation proceedings;
- k. assisting, advising, and representing the Committee in their participation in the negotiation, formulation, and drafting of a plan of reorganization/liquidation;
- l. assisting, advising, and representing the Committee with respect to its communications with the general creditor body regarding significant matters in these Cases;
- m. responding to inquiries from individual creditors as to the status of, and developments in, these Cases; and
- n. providing such other services to the Committee as may be necessary in these Cases or any related proceedings.

REASONABLE AND NECESSARY SERVICES RENDERED

11. The services rendered by Brown Rudnick during these Cases can be grouped into the categories set forth in **Exhibit A**. Brown Rudnick attempted to place the services provided in the category that best relates to such services. However, because certain services may relate to one or more categories, services pertaining to one category may in fact be included in another category. The following provides a narrative description of project categories to which attorneys and paraprofessionals of Brown Rudnick dedicated the most significant time (*i.e.*, time charges in excess of \$10,000 in the aggregate) during the Application Period.

- a. **DIP Financing / Cash Collateral: Fees: \$321,526.50; Total Hours: 200.1.** This category relates to services rendered by Brown Rudnick during the Application Period, including but not limited to, (a) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Emergency Motion for an Order Pursuant to Section 1112(b) of the Bankruptcy Code Converting These Cases to Cases Under Chapter 7 of the*

Bankruptcy Code [Dkt. No. 1043] (the “Conversion Motion”); (b) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors’ Objection to Fifth Third Bank, National Association’s Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1076] in opposition to *Fifth Third Bank, National Association’s Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1055] (the “Trustee Motion”); (c) related preparations in connection with the hearing on the foregoing matters, including preparation of a declaration in support of the Committee’s Conversion Motion; and (d) ongoing negotiations with the Debtors and Fifth Third Bank towards a consensual resolution of the matters to be heard at the January 30th hearing.

- b. **Non-Working Travel: Fees: \$15,735.20; Total Hours: 15.4.** Time in this category relates to services rendered by Brown Rudnick during the Application Period, including non-working travel time to appear at the hearing on the Conversion Motion, the Trustee Motion, and the *Debtors’ Emergency Motion for Entry of an Order (I) Converting the Chapter 11 Cases to Chapter 7 and (II) Granting Related Relief* [Dkt. No. 1042] (the “Debtors’ Conversion Motion”). All non-working travel time is billed at fifty percent (50%) as required under the Fee Guidelines.
- c. **Hearings: Fees: \$13,490.00; Total Hours: 7.6.** Time in this category relates to services rendered by Brown Rudnick during the Application Period, including preparation for and attendance at the hearing on the Conversion Motion, Trustee Motion, and the Debtors’ Conversion Motion.
12. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** are detailed time entries reflecting the daily work performed by each Brown Rudnick professional with respect to whom compensation is sought

during the Application Period. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is an itemized description of disbursements incurred during the Application Period.

13. This is Brown Rudnick's thirteenth monthly fee statement. A summary of Brown Rudnick's Monthly Fee Statements, inclusive of this Application, is reflected in the chart below.

Application Period	Total Fees	80% of Fees	20% Holdback	100% Expenses	Total Paid or To Be Paid for Compensation Period
12/31/2024 to 1/31/2025	\$519,462.00	\$415,569.60	\$103,892.40	\$4,457.13	\$523,919.13
2/1/2025 to 2/28/2025	\$220,318.00	\$176,254.40	\$44,063.60	\$10,176.41	\$230,494.41
3/1/2025 to 3/31/2025	\$209,379.00	\$167,503.20	\$41,875.80	\$896.37	\$210,275.37
4/1/2025 to 4/30/2025	\$288,215.00	\$230,572.00	\$57,643.00	\$2,416.49	\$290,631.49
5/1/2025 to 5/31/2025	\$529,260.50	\$423,408.40	\$105,852.10	\$27,253.39	\$556,513.89
6/1/2025 to 6/30/2025	\$694,375.00	\$555,500.00	\$138,875.00	\$11,820.63	\$706,195.63
7/1/2025 to 7/31/2025	\$302,457.00	\$241,965.60	\$60,491.40	\$16,883.14	\$319,340.14
8/1/2025 to 8/31/2025	\$317,318.50	\$253,854.80	\$63,463.70	\$4,817.53	\$322,136.03
9/1/2025 to 9/30/2025	\$67,398.50	\$53,918.80	\$13,479.70	\$12,315.73	\$79,714.23
10/1/2025 to 10/31/2025	\$59,454.50	\$47,563.60	\$11,890.90	\$4,001.50	\$63,456.00
11/1/2025 to 11/30/2025	\$9,427.00	\$7,541.60	\$1,885.40	\$20.05	\$9,447.05
12/1/2025 to 12/31/2025	\$48,025.00	\$38,420.00	\$9,605.00	\$10,863.42	\$58,888.42
1/1/2026 to 1/31/2026	\$362,718.70	\$290,174.96	\$72,543.74	\$8,717.05	\$371,435.75

14. In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 504 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016(a), no agreement or understanding exists between Brown Rudnick and any other person for the sharing of compensation received or to be received for services rendered in or in connection with this Case.

15. No agreement or understanding prohibited by 18 U.S.C. § 155 has been or will be made by Brown Rudnick.

16. The undersigned has reviewed the requirements of Local Rule 2016-1 and certifies that this Application complies with that Local Rule.

17. To the extent time or disbursement charges for services rendered or expenses incurred relate to the Application Period, but were not processed prior to the preparation of this application, or Brown Rudnick has for any other reason not yet sought compensation or reimbursement of expenses herein with respect to any services rendered or expenses incurred

during the Application Period, Brown Rudnick reserves the right to request compensation for such services and reimbursement of such expenses in a future application.

WHEREFORE, Brown Rudnick requests immediate payment and reimbursement by the Debtors of the following amounts in connection with its representation of the Committee for the Application Period, comprised of:

- a. interim compensation of \$290,174.96 (which is 80% of the aggregate amount of Brown Rudnick's fees totaling \$362,718.70 for the Application Period); and
- b. \$8,717.05 in disbursements.

Dated: February 26, 2026

Respectfully Submitted

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By: /s/ Joseph M. Coleman

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EXHIBIT A

DETAILED TIME ENTRIES



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UNSECURED CREDITORS
135 EAST 57TH STREET, 9TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Invoice 7010968
Date Feb 26, 2026
Client 041132

RE: STOLI GROUP (USA), LLC OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0002	CASE ADMINISTRATION	4,527.00	0.00	4,527.00
041132.0003	MEETINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH UCC	1,248.00	0.00	1,248.00
041132.0004	EMPLOYMENT AND FEE APPLICATIONS	2,147.00	0.00	2,147.00
041132.0009	NON-WORKING TRAVEL	15,735.20	0.00	15,735.20
041132.0013	HEARINGS	13,490.00	0.00	13,490.00
041132.0018	DIP FINANCING/CASH COLLATERAL	321,526.50	0.00	321,526.50
041132.0021	INSURANCE	4,045.00	0.00	4,045.00
Total		362,718.70	0.00	362,718.70

Total Current Fees	\$362,718.70
20% Holdback Amount	(72,543.74)
80% CURRENT BALANCE DUE	\$290,174.96
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$290,174.96



STOLI GROUP (USA), LLC OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS
135 EAST 57TH STREET, 9TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Invoice 7010968
Date Feb 26, 2026
Client 041132

RE: CASE ADMINISTRATION

INVOICE

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through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0002	CASE ADMINISTRATION	4,527.00	0.00	4,527.00
Total		4,527.00	0.00	4,527.00

Total Current Fees	\$4,527.00
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$4,527.00



RE: CASE ADMINISTRATION

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/05/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE H. O'NEILL REGARDING CASE STATUS, DIVERSION OF ESTATE FUNDS (.2), FOLLOWUP CORRESPONDENCE R. STARK, COMMITTEE (.3)	0.50	1,087.50
01/06/26	COHEN	ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES	0.20	115.00
01/08/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.2); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.3); UPDATE DATABASE (.2)	0.70	402.50
01/09/26	COHEN	ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.1); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.20	115.00
01/14/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.3); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.60	345.00
01/15/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.2); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.50	287.50
01/16/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.2); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.50	287.50
01/22/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.2); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.50	287.50
01/23/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.1); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.1); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.30	172.50
01/27/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS AND UPDATE DATABASE	0.20	115.00
01/28/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILING (.3); STRATEGIZE REGARDING JANUARY 30TH HEARING (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.60	345.00
01/29/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.3); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.40	230.00
01/30/26	RIZKALLA	REVIEW HEARING UPDATE AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS W/ H. COHEN RE: UPCOMING DATES/DEADLINES	0.40	392.00
01/30/26	COHEN	CIRCULATE FILINGS (.3); ANALYSIS OF PERTINENT DATES AND DEADLINES (.2); UPDATE DATABASE (.1)	0.60	345.00
Total Hours and Fees			6.20	4,527.00

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
BENNETT S. SILVERBERG	0.50 hours at	2,175.00	1,087.50
HARRIET E. COHEN	5.30 hours at	575.00	3,047.50
ANDREW RIZKALLA	0.40 hours at	980.00	392.00
Total Fees			4,527.00



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Invoice 7010968
Date Feb 26, 2026
Client 041132

RE: MEETINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH UCC

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0003	MEETINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH UCC	1,248.00	0.00	1,248.00
Total		1,248.00	0.00	1,248.00

Total Current Fees	\$1,248.00
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$1,248.00



RE: MEETINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH UCC

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/09/26	GARCIA	ATTEND MEETING TO FINALIZE AGENDA FOR WEEKLY COMMITTEE MEETING	0.40	370.00
01/09/26	JONAS	CORRESPONDENCE WITH COMMITTEE RE STATUS, STRATEGY (.2); CORRESPONDENCE RE COMMITTEE MEETING AND OTHER ISSUES (.1)	0.30	780.00
01/09/26	RIZKALLA	RESPOND TO CREDITOR INQUIRY	0.10	98.00
Total Hours and Fees			0.80	1,248.00

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
JEFFREY L. JONAS	0.30 hours at	2,600.00	780.00
ANDREW RIZKALLA	0.10 hours at	980.00	98.00
BRYAN GARCIA	0.40 hours at	925.00	370.00
Total Fees			1,248.00



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RE: EMPLOYMENT AND FEE APPLICATIONS

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0004	EMPLOYMENT AND FEE APPLICATIONS	2,147.00	0.00	2,147.00
Total		2,147.00	0.00	2,147.00

Total Current Fees	\$2,147.00
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$2,147.00



RE: EMPLOYMENT AND FEE APPLICATIONS

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/08/26	COHEN	FINALIZE NOVEMBER FEE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS (.4); EFFECTUATE SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO INTERIM COMPENSATION PROCEDURES AND PROVIDE LEDES REPORTS TO UST (.3)	0.70	402.50
01/08/26	RIZKALLA	CORRESPONDENCE W/ BR TEAM RE: NOVEMBER MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT	0.20	196.00
01/09/26	RIZKALLA	REVIEW AND REVISE DECEMBER MONTHLY	0.70	686.00
01/09/26	COHEN	PREPARE AND FINALIZE DECEMBER FEE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS (1.2); EFFECTUATE SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO INTERIM COMPENSATION PROCEDURES AND PROVIDE LEDES REPORTS TO UST (.3)	1.50	862.50
Total Hours and Fees			3.10	2,147.00

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
HARRIET E. COHEN	2.20 hours at	575.00	1,265.00
ANDREW RIZKALLA	0.90 hours at	980.00	882.00
Total Fees			2,147.00



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RE: NON-WORKING TRAVEL

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0009	NON-WORKING TRAVEL	15,735.20	0.00	15,735.20
Total		15,735.20	0.00	15,735.20

Total Current Fees	\$15,735.20
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$15,735.20



RE: NON-WORKING TRAVEL

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/29/26	AXELROD	NON-WORKING TRAVEL TO DALLAS FOR HEARING	2.70	2,397.60
01/30/26	AXELROD	NON-WORKING RETURN TRAVEL FROM HEARING	7.70	6,837.60
01/30/26	JONAS	NON-WORKING TRAVEL (DALLAS-NYC)	5.00	6,500.00
Total Hours and Fees			15.40	15,735.20

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
JEFFREY L. JONAS	5.00 hours at	1,300.00	6,500.00
TRISTAN G. AXELROD	10.40 hours at	888.00	9,235.20
Total Fees			15,735.20



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RE: HEARINGS

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0013	HEARINGS	13,490.00	0.00	13,490.00
Total		13,490.00	0.00	13,490.00

Total Current Fees	\$13,490.00
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$13,490.00



RE: HEARINGS

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/15/26	AXELROD	HEARING RE CONVERSION/CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE AND INSURANCE MOTIONS	1.00	1,775.00
01/30/26	AXELROD	PREP FOR HEARING (2.0); HEARING AND NEGOTIATION RE CONVERSION/TRUSTEE ISSUES (4.0); FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION WITH UCC AND NOTES WITH COUNSELS RE NEXT STEPS (.6)	6.60	11,715.00
Total Hours and Fees			7.60	13,490.00

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
TRISTAN G. AXELROD	7.60 hours at	1,775.00	13,490.00
Total Fees			13,490.00



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RE: DIP FINANCING/CASH COLLATERAL

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0018	DIP FINANCING/CASH COLLATERAL	321,526.50	0.00	321,526.50
Total		321,526.50	0.00	321,526.50

Total Current Fees	\$321,526.50
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$321,526.50



RE: DIP FINANCING/CASH COLLATERAL

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/06/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE R. WINNING, M. ALTMAN REGARDING CASH COLLATERAL USAGE, CASE POSTURE	0.40	870.00
01/06/26	AXELROD	STRATEGIZE AND PREPARE PLEADINGS RE CONVERSION AND TRUSTEESHIP MATTERS	1.70	3,017.50
01/06/26	RIZKALLA	DRAFT MOTION TO CONVERT	8.80	8,624.00
01/06/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE J. DOWNS, R. STARK ET AL. REGARDING CASE POSTURE (.3); CONSIDER NEXT STEPS FOR COMMITTEE, MOTION PRACTICE (.5)	0.80	1,740.00
01/06/26	STARK	ZOOM MEETING WITH FTB COUNSEL RE STATUS (.5); O/C TEAM RE SAME (.5)	1.00	2,600.00
01/07/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE T. AXELROD REGARDING CASE POSTURE, CH 11 TRUSTEE NEGOTIATIONS	0.20	435.00
01/07/26	AXELROD	REVISE CONVERSION MOTION (5.3); DISCUSS RELATED MATTERS WITH DEBTOR COUNSEL (.3); CALL WITH B SILVERBERG RE SAME (.2)	5.80	10,295.00
01/08/26	AXELROD	REVISE DISMISSAL MOTION (.3); CALL WITH B SILVERBERG RE SAME (.1)	0.40	710.00
01/08/26	SILVERBERG	EVALUATE CONTINUED CASE POSTURE WITH R. STARK, T. AXELROD	0.40	870.00
01/08/26	RIZKALLA	REVIEW DRAFT MOTION TO CONVERT	0.50	490.00
01/09/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE D. FAGAN, R. STARK, ET AL. REGARDING CASE POSTURE	0.40	870.00
01/09/26	AXELROD	MEET WITH BARDSTOWN RE NEXT STEPS (.3); INQUIRIES RE CHALLENGE DEADLINE, DISMISSAL/TRUSTEE OR OTHER NEXT STEPS (.3); STRATEGIZE RE HEARING PREP AND POTENTIAL FILINGS (.5); UPDATE TO CLIENTS RE SAME (.2)	1.30	2,307.50
01/09/26	STARK	PREPARE FOR AND ATTEND STRATEGY CALL WITH BARDSTOWN COUNSEL	1.00	2,600.00
01/13/26	STARK	WORK ON CONVERSION MOTION (1.0); COMMUNICATIONS TEAM RE SAME (.5)	1.50	3,900.00
01/13/26	GARCIA	ANALYZE ISSUES RESPECTING MOTION TO CONVERT CHAPTER 11 CASE	1.80	1,665.00
01/14/26	GARCIA	ANALYZE ISSUES RESPECTING MOTION TO CONVERT CHAPTER 11 CASE	0.30	277.50
01/14/26	JONAS	REVIEW CONVERSION PLEADINGS	0.40	1,040.00
01/14/26	AXELROD	REVISE AND PREPARE FILING OF CONVERSION MOTION	3.70	6,567.50



Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/14/26	STARK	WORK ON MOTION TO CONVERT	3.50	9,100.00
01/14/26	SILVERBERG	ATTENTION TO ISSUES REGARDING CONVERSION, CONTINUED USE OF CASH COLLATERAL	1.60	3,480.00
01/15/26	SILVERBERG	FINALIZE CONVERSION MOTION	0.30	652.50
01/15/26	JONAS	REVIEW CLIENT CORRESPONDENCE AND PLEADINGS	0.40	1,040.00
01/15/26	AXELROD	REVISE AND COORDINATE CONVERSION MOTION FILING (1.8); REVIEW DEBTOR FILINGS AND PREP FOR HEARING (.5); HEARING FOLLOWUP RE INSURANCE LANGUAGE (.5); EMAILS WITH J DOWNS RE CONVERSION (.3)	3.10	5,502.50
01/15/26	STARK	FINALIZE MOTION TO CONVERT PAPERS	1.50	3,900.00
01/16/26	AXELROD	CALL WITH J DOWNS RE TRUSTEE MOTIONS (.5); FOLLOWUP WITH B SILVERBERG (.3); NOTE TO CLIENTS RE SAME (.3); REVIEW TABASCO COMPLAINT AND FURTHER DISCUSSION RE CONVERSION (1.0)	2.10	3,727.50
01/16/26	STARK	INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS RE FIFTH THIRD SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL, STATUS AND STRATEGY	1.00	2,600.00
01/17/26	AXELROD	REVIEW AND STRATEGIZE RE LENDER TRUSTEE MOTION	1.00	1,775.00
01/20/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE J. DOWNS, T. AXELROD REGARDING CONVERSION MOTION	0.20	435.00
01/20/26	AXELROD	CALL WITH FTB COUNSEL RE TRUSTEE MOTIONS (.5); CALLS WITH CREDITORS RE SAME (.3); EMAILS AND CALL WITH A RIZKALLA RE RESPONSE TO FTB CH 11 TR MOTION (.3)	1.10	1,952.50
01/20/26	JONAS	REVIEW PLEADINGS, EMAILS RE: CASE STATUS	0.50	1,300.00
01/20/26	RIZKALLA	LEGAL RESEARCH RE: CONVERSION/TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT ISSUES (2.8); DRAFT OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT (4.0)	6.80	6,664.00
01/21/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE J. DOWNS, H. O'NEILL, T. AXELROD ET AL REGARDING CONVERSION HEARING M&C	0.70	1,522.50
01/21/26	GARCIA	DRAFT FACT STIPULATION	1.80	1,665.00
01/21/26	JONAS	REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE AND PLEADINGS	0.40	1,040.00



Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/21/26	AXELROD	CALLS AND EMAILS RE HEARING SCHEDULE (.2); CALL WITH DEBTOR AND BANK COUNSEL RE HEARING ISSUES AND POTENTIAL RESOLUTION (.5); CALL WITH HILCO RE POTENTIAL LIQUIDATION PROCESS (.2); CALL WITH BARDSTOWN COUNSEL RE STATUS AND NEXT STEPS (.3); REVIEW AND COMMENT RE DRAFT TRUSTEE OBJECTION (.4); STRATEGIZE RE HEARING PREP AND POTENTIAL FACT STIPULATIONS (1.7)	3.30	5,857.50
01/21/26	RIZKALLA	LEGAL RESEARCH RE: TRUSTEE/CONVERSION ISSUES	3.10	3,038.00
01/21/26	RIZKALLA	DRAFT OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE MOTION	5.40	5,292.00
01/21/26	RIZKALLA	FURTHER REVISE OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE MOTION	2.40	2,352.00
01/22/26	GARCIA	DRAFT FACT STIPULATION (.6); STRATEGIZE ON SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION (1.2)	1.80	1,665.00
01/22/26	AXELROD	CALLS WITH R STARK, B SILVERBERG RE TRIAL PREP (.7); CONTINUED CALL WITH SAME AND J JONAS, R WINNING, M ALTMAN (1.0); REVISE RESPONSE TO BANK TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT MOTION (2.4); CALL WITH R WINNING AND M ALTMAN RE DECLARATION RE CONVERSION AND RELATED TRIAL ISSUES (.7); STRATEGIZE RE EVIDENCE/FACT NEEDS AND FORM OF DECLARATION AND DOCUMENT LIST (1.6)	6.40	11,360.00
01/22/26	GARCIA	ANALYZE ISSUES RELATED TO MOTION TO CONVERT AND FACT STIPULATION	2.10	1,942.50
01/22/26	SILVERBERG	PREPARATIONS WITH R. STARK, R. WINNING, T. AXELROD, M. ALTMAN FOR CONVERSION/TRUSTEE HEARING (.9); FOLLOWUP R. WINNING REGARDING DECLARATION IN SUPPORT (1.0)	1.90	4,132.50
01/22/26	STARK	FOCUS ON PREP/EVIDENTIARY ISSUES RESPECTING UPCOMING CONVERSION TRIAL	4.00	10,400.00
01/22/26	JONAS	ALL HANDS COMMITTEE PROFESSIONALS CALL RE CONVERSION AND RELATED ISSUES AND FOLLOW UP	1.00	2,600.00
01/22/26	COHEN	RESEARCH AND COMPILE FACT STIPULATION FILINGS	0.80	460.00
01/22/26	RIZKALLA	LEGAL RESEARCH RE: CONVERSION/TRUSTEE ISSUES	2.40	2,352.00
01/22/26	RIZKALLA	REVIEW DRAFT OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE MOTION (.4); CALL W/ T. AXELROD RE: SAME (.3)	0.70	686.00
01/22/26	RIZKALLA	DRAFT OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE MOTION	1.90	1,862.00



Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/23/26	AXELROD	DRAFT DECLARATION ISO CONVERSION MOTION AND TRUSTEE OBJECTION (4.8); CALL WITH R WINNING AND M ALTMAN RE DECLARATION AND HEARING PREP (1.7)	6.50	11,537.50
01/23/26	STARK	FOCUS ON CONVERSION MOTION AND EVIDENCE	1.00	2,600.00
01/23/26	RIZKALLA	LEGAL RESEARCH RE: CONVERSION/TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT ISSUES	2.30	2,254.00
01/23/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE T. AXELROD, M. ALTMAN, R. WINNING RE DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF CONVERSION MOTION	0.90	1,957.50
01/25/26	AXELROD	EMAILS AND CALL WITH M3 RE DECLARATION AND HEARING PREP	0.60	1,065.00
01/26/26	AXELROD	CALL WITH M ALTMAN RE DECLARATION STATUS AND NEXT STEPS (.2); REVIEW DOCUMENTS AND SEND QUOTES FOR DECLARATION ETC (1.4); REVIEW AND COMMENT RE TRUSTEE OBJECTION (.5); RESEARCH RE TRUSTEE OBJECTION (1.2)	3.30	5,857.50
01/26/26	GARCIA	ANALYZE ISSUES RESPECTING FACT STIPULATION FOR MOTION TO CONVERT	0.90	832.50
01/26/26	STARK	INTERNAL CALLS RE FIFTH THIRD SETTLEMENT OFFER AND TRIAL PREP	1.50	3,900.00
01/26/26	JONAS	EMAIL AND CALL RE CONVERSION	0.20	520.00
01/26/26	RIZKALLA	REVISE OBJECTION TO FTB CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE MOTION	2.40	2,352.00
01/26/26	RIZKALLA	LEGAL RESEARCH RE: TRUSTEE/CONVERSION ISSUES	2.10	2,058.00
01/26/26	RIZKALLA	FURTHER REVISE OBJECTION TO FTB TRUSTEE MOTION	1.70	1,666.00
01/27/26	SILVERBERG	CONFER R. STARK, T. AXELROD REGARDING CARVEOUT, CONVERSION ISSUES	0.20	435.00
01/27/26	SILVERBERG	CONFER R. STARK, T. AXELROD, R. WINNING REGARDING CONVERSION MOTION HEARING PREP	2.00	4,350.00
01/27/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE J. JONAS, T. AXELROD, R. WINNING, M. ALTMAN REGARDING WITNESS PREPARATIONS FOR CONVERSION MOTION	0.20	435.00
01/27/26	GARCIA	WORK ON DECLARATION MATERIALS AHEAD OF JANUARY 30 HEARING	2.10	1,942.50



Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/27/26	AXELROD	PREP WITNESS AND EXHIBIT LIST AND RELATED DOCS AND CALL WITH B GARCIA RE SAME (1.0); CALLS AND EMAILS WITH KRCL RE EW LIST AND MOTION TO FILE UNDER SEAL (.4); REVISE AND CIRCULATE OBJECTION TO TRUSTEE MOTION (1.2); REVISE WINNING DECLARATION (1.4); DISCUSS WINNING DECLARATION AND HEARING PREP WITH M3 AND COUNSEL TEAM (2.7); STRATEGIZE RE CLOSING DECK AND ARGUMENT AND CALL WITH A RIZKALLA RE SAME (.6); MEET AND CONFER WITH DEBTORS RE RESOLUTION (.2)	7.50	13,312.50
01/27/26	RIZKALLA	WORK ON CLOSING SIDE PRESENTATION FOR CONVERSION ARGUMENT	3.70	3,626.00
01/27/26	RIZKALLA	EMAILS RE: CASE STATUS AND UPDATES	0.30	294.00
01/27/26	RIZKALLA	REVIEW RECENT FILINGS	0.40	392.00
01/28/26	SILVERBERG	CONFERENCE J. DOWNS, H. O'NEILL, T. AXELROD ET AL. REGARDING M&C FOR CONVERSION TRIAL (.4); CONFER M. FAGEN, T. AXELROD REGARDING BARDSTOWN CASE POSITION (.1)	0.50	1,087.50
01/28/26	GARCIA	ANALYZE ISSUES RESPECTING DECLARATION AND OBJECTION	0.60	555.00
01/28/26	AXELROD	REVIEW AND COMMENT AND REVISE CLOSING DECK (.7); REVIEW TRANSCRIPTS AND SELECT EXHIBITS FOR EW LIST AND HEARING USE (4.3); REVISE AND COORDINATE FILING OF DECLARATION AND EW LIST (2.5); MEET AND CONFER WITH DEBTORS AND BANK (.7); MEET WITH BARDSTOWN (.2); REVIEW OBJECTION FILINGS FROM BANK AND DEBTORS (.5); FOLLOWUP STRATEGIZE WITH COUNSEL TEAM RE HEARING PLAN (1.0)	9.90	17,572.50
01/28/26	RIZKALLA	ANALYZE LATEST FILINGS	0.60	588.00
01/28/26	RIZKALLA	WORK ON CLOSING SLIDES AND ASSIST W/ RELATED PREPARATIONS FOR 1/30 HEARING	5.70	5,586.00
01/28/26	RIZKALLA	ASSIST W/ 1/30 HEARING PREPARATIONS	1.50	1,470.00
01/29/26	GARCIA	CONDUCT RESEARCH ON ELECTION OF TRUSTEE	5.10	4,717.50
01/29/26	GARCIA	PREPARE MATERIALS FOR JAN 30 HEARING (1.9); COMMUNICATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR JANUARY 30 HEARING (.8)	2.70	2,497.50
01/29/26	JONAS	PREPARE FOR CONVERSION/TRUSTEE HEARINGS/TRIAL	7.50	19,500.00
01/29/26	AXELROD	CONVERSION MOTION TRIAL PREP INCLUDING CLOSING PREP, EXHIBITS (5.7); TESTIMONY PREP WITH R WINNING (1.0)	6.70	11,892.50



Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/29/26	COHEN	COMPILE DOCUMENTS AND UPDATE INDEX FOR JANUARY 30TH HEARING BINDERS	1.20	690.00
01/29/26	STARK	ASSIST TEAM PREPARE FOR HEARING	1.00	2,600.00
01/29/26	RIZKALLA	FINALIZE CLOSING ARGUMENT AND ASSIST WITH PREPARATIONS FOR 1/30 HEARING	8.10	7,938.00
01/29/26	SILVERBERG	ANALYSIS OF ISSUES RE CONTESTED CONVERSION HEARING	2.00	4,350.00
01/29/26	GARDNER	REVIEW CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ISSUES IN CONNECTION WITH MOTION TO CONVERT	2.20	2,970.00
01/30/26	STARK	CONDUCT SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS OF CONVERSION MOTION	2.20	5,720.00
01/30/26	JONAS	FURTHER PREP, TRIAL RE CONVERSION, TRUSTEE AND RELATED MATTERS AND SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS AND FOLLOW UP	7.00	18,200.00
01/30/26	GARDNER	REVIEW CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ISSUES IN CONNECTION WITH MOTION TO CONVERT	2.20	2,970.00
Total Hours and Fees			200.10	321,526.50

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
JEFFREY L. JONAS	17.40 hours at	2,600.00	45,240.00
ROBERT J. STARK	19.20 hours at	2,600.00	49,920.00
CATHERINE GARDNER	4.40 hours at	1,350.00	5,940.00
BENNETT S. SILVERBERG	12.70 hours at	2,175.00	27,622.50
TRISTAN G. AXELROD	64.40 hours at	1,775.00	114,310.00
HARRIET E. COHEN	2.00 hours at	575.00	1,150.00
ANDREW RIZKALLA	60.80 hours at	980.00	59,584.00
BRYAN GARCIA	19.20 hours at	925.00	17,760.00
Total Fees			321,526.50



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RE: INSURANCE

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0021	INSURANCE	4,045.00	0.00	4,045.00
Total		4,045.00	0.00	4,045.00

Total Current Fees	\$4,045.00
Total Current Costs	\$0.00
Total Invoice	\$4,045.00



RE: INSURANCE

TIME DETAIL

Date	Professional	Description	Hours	Value
01/08/26	AXELROD	REVIEW INSURANCE PREMIUM FINANCING MOTION AND INQUIRY TO D. HEALY RE SAME	0.40	710.00
01/13/26	HEALY	ANALYSIS OF PREMIUM FINANCE ISSUES FOR RENEWAL POLICIES (.6); DRAFT COMMENTS RE SAME (.6)	1.20	1,740.00
01/15/26	HEALY	REVIEW OF PROPOSED ORDER(.4); DRAFT REVISIONS TO SAME (.3); DRAFT CORRESPONDENCE RE SAME (.4)	1.10	1,595.00
Total Hours and Fees			2.70	4,045.00

TIME SUMMARY

Professional	Hours	Rate	Value
TRISTAN G. AXELROD	0.40 hours at	1,775.00	710.00
DANIEL J. HEALY	2.30 hours at	1,450.00	3,335.00
Total Fees			4,045.00

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TAX IDENTIFICATION # 04-3108175

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STOLI GROUP (USA), LLC OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS
135 EAST 57TH STREET, 9TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Invoice	7010968
Date	Feb 26, 2026
Client	041132

RE: STOLI GROUP (USA), LLC OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS

Remittance 

Balance Due: \$290,174.96

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Remittance Address

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New York, NY 10087-3079

Wire Instructions

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270 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10017
ABA Number: 021000021
SWIFT Code: CHASUS33

For Credit To

Brown Rudnick LLP Deposit Account
Account Number: 760367067

EXHIBIT B

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS



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NEW YORK, NY 10022

Invoice 7010967
Date Feb 26, 2026
Client 041132

RE: COSTS

INVOICE

For professional services rendered in connection with the above captioned matter
through January 31, 2026:

Matter No.	Matter Name	Fees	Costs	Total
041132.0001	COSTS	0.00	8,717.05	8,717.05
Total		0.00	8,717.05	8,717.05

Total Current Fees	\$0.00
Total Current Costs	\$8,717.05
Total Invoice	\$8,717.05

COST DETAIL

Date	Description	Value
09/10/25	TRANSCRIPTS - VENDOR: THOMPSON COURT REPORTERS, INC.; INVOICE#: 35086; DATE: 9/10/2025	1,054.90
12/05/25	PACER	0.80
12/12/25	PACER	0.80
01/06/26	COPIES	0.20
01/06/26	COPIES	0.10
01/06/26	COPIES	1.00
01/06/26	COPIES	0.20
01/06/26	COPIES	1.10
01/07/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	5.00
01/08/26	COPIES	2.30
01/08/26	COPIES	0.70
01/08/26	COPIES	1.60
01/20/26	COPIES	1.00
01/20/26	COPIES	1.90
01/20/26	COPIES	1.10
01/20/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	12.00
01/20/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	144.00
01/20/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	594.00
01/20/26	COPIES	0.50
01/20/26	COPIES	0.50
01/20/26	COPIES	1.00
01/20/26	COPIES	0.10
01/20/26	COPIES	1.00
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01/20/26	COPIES	0.80
01/20/26	COPIES	0.60
01/21/26	COPIES	2.30
01/21/26	COPIES	2.70
01/21/26	COPIES	0.20
01/21/26	COPIES	1.50
01/21/26	COPIES	0.20
01/21/26	COPIES	1.00

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Date	Description	Value
01/21/26	COPIES	0.10
01/21/26	COPIES	2.30
01/21/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	85.00
01/21/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	297.00
01/22/26	COPIES	0.30
01/22/26	COPIES	0.70
01/22/26	COPIES	0.50
01/22/26	COPIES	0.40
01/22/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	85.00
01/22/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	990.00
01/24/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026 T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010641899078 BOS DFW 1/24/2026	107.26
01/25/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026 T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010641710850 BOS DFW 1/25/2026	99.68
01/26/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	2.00
01/26/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	60.00
01/26/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	85.00
01/26/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	1,089.00
01/27/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	55.00
01/27/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	396.00
01/28/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	15.00
01/28/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	198.00
01/29/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	12.00
01/29/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	100.00
01/29/26	WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	297.00
01/29/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026 T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010641899078 1/29/2026	(50.76)
01/29/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026 T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010641929335 BOS DFW 1/29/2026	136.97
01/29/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026 T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010642186105 BOS DFW 1/29/2026	102.22
01/29/26	TAXI - VENDOR: TRISTAN AXELROD INVOICE#: 010050083814 DATE: 2/5/2026 STOLI HEARING TRAVEL - TAXI - HOME - AIRPORT	26.35
01/29/26	HOTEL - VENDOR: TRISTAN AXELROD INVOICE#: 010050083814 DATE: 2/5/2026	390.60

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Date	Description	Value
	STOLI HEARING TRAVEL - HOTEL	
01/29/26	TAXI - VENDOR: TRISTAN AXELROD INVOICE#: 010050083814 DATE: 2/5/2026	65.97
	STOLI HEARING TRAVEL - UBER TX AIRPORT - HOTEL	
01/29/26	IN FLIGHT INTERNET - VENDOR: TRISTAN AXELROD INVOICE#: 010050083814 DATE: 2/5/2026	29.00
	STOLI HEARING TRAVEL - WIFI	
01/29/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	730.40
	AIRFARE TO HEARING	
01/29/26	TAXI - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	37.00
	UBER - DINNER TO HOTEL	
01/29/26	MEALS - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	210.30
	DINNER - 4 PEOPLE	
01/30/26	MEALS - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	110.00
	LUNCH - 5 PEOPLE	
01/30/26	TAXI - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	74.80
	UBER - HEARING TO HOTEL	
01/30/26	HOTEL - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	401.05
	HOTEL - 1 NIGHT	
01/30/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	398.40
	AIRFARE - DFW TO LGA	
01/30/26	TAXI - VENDOR: JEFFREY L. JONAS INVOICE#: 010050328541 DATE: 2/17/2026	120.00
	UBER - AIRPORT TO HOME	
01/30/26	AIRFARE - VENDOR: DINERS CLUB INVOICE#: 5528350069999929-226 DATE: 2/14/2026	59.36
	T AXELROD AMERICAN 0010642386362 DFW BOS 1/30/2026	
01/30/26	TAXI - VENDOR: TRISTAN AXELROD INVOICE#: 010050083814 DATE: 2/5/2026	59.95
	STOLI HEARING TRAVEL - UBER	
	Total Costs	8,717.05

COST SUMMARY

Description	Value
MEALS	320.30
TRANSCRIPTS	1,054.90

February 26, 2026

Description	Value
IN FLIGHT INTERNET	29.00
AIRFARE	1,583.53
TAXI	384.07
HOTEL	791.65
WESTLAW ONLINE TRANSACTIONAL SEARCHES / DOCS	4,521.00
PACER	1.60
COPIES	31.00
Total Costs	8,717.05

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RE: COSTS

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

Stoli Group (USA) LLC, *et al.*,¹
Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

(Jointly Administered)

Objection Deadline: March 8, 2026 at 4:00
p.m. (prevailing Central Time)

CERTIFICATION OF BENNETT S. SILVERBERG

I, Bennett S. Silverberg, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and after reasonable inquiry, hereby certify that:

1. I am a partner of Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”). Brown Rudnick was retained by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Stoli Group (USA) LLC, *et al.* (the “Committee”). I am an attorney-at-law, duly admitted and in good standing to practice in the States of New York and am admitted *pro hac vice* in this Court. This certification is made in support of the *Thirteenth Monthly Fee Application of Brown Rudnick LLP, as Counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for Allowance of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Disbursements Incurred for the Period of January 1, 2026 through January 31, 2026* (the “Application”).²

2. I have read the foregoing Application. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the statements contained in the Application are true and correct.

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Application.

In addition, I believe that the Application complies with Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1.

Executed on February 26, 2026 in New York, New York.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
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In re:

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Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80146-swe11

(Jointly Administered)

In re:

KENTUCKY OWL, LLC,

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-80147-swe11

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FEE APPLICATION COVER SHEET FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH FEBRUARY 5, 2026

FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS

Debtor: <u>Stoli Group (USA) LLC²</u>	Applicant: <u>Brown Rudnick LLP</u>
Case No.: <u>24-80146-swe11</u>	Client: <u>Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors</u>
Chapter: <u>11</u>	Case Filed: <u>November 27, 2024</u>

Debtor: <u>KENTUCKY OWL, LLC,³</u>	Applicant: <u>Brown Rudnick LLP</u>
Case No.: <u>24-80147-swe11</u>	Client: <u>Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors</u>
Chapter: <u>11</u>	Case Filed: <u>November 27, 2024</u>

SECTION 1
FEE SUMMARY

☐ Monthly Fee Application No. or ☒ Interim Fee Application No. 5 or ☐ Final Fee Application

Summary of Amounts Requested for the Period from January 1, 2026 through February 5, 2026
(the “Fifth Interim Period”)

Total Fees:	\$438,393.70 ⁴
Total Disbursements:	\$9,384.26
Total Fourth Interim Fee Application:	\$447,777.96

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⁴ Over the period of January 1, 2026 through February 5, 2026, Brown Rudnick reduced its requested fees by \$9,317.50. The deduction pertains to, among other things, voluntary reductions for transient timekeepers and certain other fee application preparation time that is non-compensable under the guidelines promulgated by the Office of the United States Trustee.

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – PARTNERS				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Robert J. Stark	Partner; Admitted to New Jersey Bar in 1995; New York Bar in 1996; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,600	22.2	\$57,720.00
Jeffrey L. Jonas	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 1988; Dispute Resolution & Restructuring	\$2,600	23.4	\$54,340.00
Bennett S. Silverberg	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 2001; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$2,175	21.8	\$47,415.00
Tristan G. Axelrod	Partner; Admitted to Massachusetts Bar in 2015; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$1,775	107.1	\$180,887.70
Nicole M. Bouchard	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 2009; Tax	\$1,625	2.1	\$3,412.50
Daniel J. Healy	Partner; Admitted to New York Bar in 1999; Massachusetts in 1999; District of Columbia in 2002; Maryland in 2005; Litigation & Dispute Resolution	\$1,450	2.3	\$3,335.00
Catherine Gardner	Partner; Admitted to Washington, DC Bar in 1996; New York Bar in 2011; Corporate	\$1,350	4.4	\$5,940.00
TOTAL			183.3	\$353,050.20
PARTNER BLENDED RATE		\$1,926.08		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN – ASSOCIATES AND OTHER COUNSEL				
Name of Professional Person	Position; Admission Date; Specialty	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Andrew Rizkalla	Associate; Admitted to Illinois Bar in 2021; Tennessee Bar in 2021; New York Bar in 2023; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$980	62.2	\$60,956.00
Bryan Garcia	Associate; Admitted to New York Bar in 2024; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring	\$825	19.6	\$18,130.00
TOTAL			81.8	\$79,086.00
ASSOCIATE & OTHER COUNSEL BLENDED RATE		\$966.82		

TIME AND COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN - PARAPROFESSIONALS				
Name of Professional Person	Position/Numbers of Years	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Compensation
Harriet E. Cohen	Paralegal; Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring; over 35 years	\$575	10.9	\$6,267.50
TOTAL			10.9	\$6,267.50
PARAPROFESSIONALS BLENDED RATE		\$575.00		
GRAND TOTAL			276.0	\$438,393.70
BLENDED RATE FOR ALL BROWN RUDNICK TIMEKEEPERS		\$1,588.38		

Fee Totals: \$438,393.70

Disbursements Totals: \$ 9,384.26

Total Fee Application \$447,777.96

**SECTION II
SUMMARY OF
SERVICES**

PROJECT CATEGORY	HOURS	FEE
Case Administration	7.6	\$5,332.00
Meetings and Communications with Committee	.8	\$1,248.00
Employment and Fee Applications	3.1	\$2,147.00
Plan and Disclosure Statement	.0	\$0.00
Stay Relief/Injunction Litigation	0.0	\$0.00
Committee Governance Matters	0.0	\$0.00
Non-Working Travel	15.4	\$15,735.20
Committee Investigation (Lender)	0.0	\$0.00
Committee Investigation (Non-Lender)	0.00	\$0.00
Claims Administration and Objections	0.0	\$0.00
Tax	0.0	\$0.0
Hearings	13.6	\$24,780.00
Regulatory Issues	0.0	\$0.00
Asset Sales and Disposition	0.0	\$0.00
Contested Matters	0.0	\$0.00
DIP Financing/Cash Collateral	232.8	\$385,106.50
Intellectual Property	0.0	\$0.00
Business Operations	0.0	\$0.00
Insurance	2.7	\$4,045.00
SERVICE TOTALS:	276.0	\$438,393.70

**SECTION III
SUMMARY OF
DISBURSEMENTS**

DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT
Airfare	\$1,612.53
In-house Copies	\$32.00
Westlaw Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$4,550.00
Hotel	\$791.65
Meals	\$320.30
Pacer Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$20.40
Taxi	\$384.07
Transcripts	\$1,054.90
Lexis Online Transactional Searches / Docs	\$106.70
Outside Copies	\$511.71
SERVICE TOTALS:	\$9,384.26

I certify under penalty of perjury that the above is true.

Date: June 29, 2026

/s/ Bennett S. Silverberg
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**FIFTH INTERIM APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE OF FEES AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF BROWN RUDNICK LLP, AS COUNSEL
TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR SERVICES
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD
FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH AND INCLUDING FEBRUARY 5, 2026**

**FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH STOLI GROUP (USA) LLC, AND
KENTUCKY OWL, LLC, AS JOINTLY ADMINISTERED DEBTORS**

If you object to the relief requested, you must respond in writing. Unless otherwise directed by the Court, you must file your response electronically at <https://ecf.txnb.uscourts.gov/> no more than twenty-one (21) days after the date this application was filed. If you do not have electronic filing privileges, you must file a written objection that is actually received by the clerk and filed on the docket no more than twenty-one (21) days after the date this application was filed. Otherwise, the Court may treat the pleading as unopposed and grant the relief requested.

SUMMARY SHEET

I. REQUESTING FIRM: Brown Rudnick, LLP

II. CLIENT: Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors

III. TIME PERIOD: January 1, 2026 – February 5, 2026 (the “Application Period”)

IV. PETITION DATE: November 27, 2024

V. RETENTION: Order entered March 7, 2025, effective as of December 31, 2024 [Docket No. 283]

VI. STATUS OF CASE: Chapter 11 plan was filed on April 29, 2025 [Docket No. 389] and subsequently amended on June 25, 2025 [Docket No. 580].

VII. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEES AND EXPENSES REQUESTED:

Amount Requested		Voluntary Reductions
Fees	\$438,393.70	\$9,317.50
Expenses	\$9,384.26	\$0.00
Total Fees and Expenses Incurred	\$447,777.96	
Less: Payments Received to Date	(\$148,149.69)	
Total Payment Requested	\$299,628.27	

VIII. RETAINER: N/A

IX. HOURLY RATES:

	Attorney	Paralegal/Professional Staff
Highest Billed Rate:	\$2,600.00	\$575.00
Total Hours Billed:	265.1	10.9
Blended Rate:	\$1,630.05	\$575.00

Statement from the Applicant

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?	No.
If the fees sought in this fee application as compared to the fees budgeted for the time period covered by this fee application are higher by 10% or more, did you discuss the reasons for the variation with the client?	N/A.
Have any of the professionals included in this fee application varied their hourly rate based on the geographic location of the bankruptcy case?	No.
Does the fee application include time or fees related to reviewing, revising, or redacting time records or preparing, reviewing, or revising invoices?	No.
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?	The retention application disclosed the 2024 and 2025 rates. Brown Rudnick filed a <i>Notice of Rate Increase</i> on December 19, 2026 at Docket No. 1010.
Rates in Application are higher than those approved or disclosed at retention?	Brown Rudnick's' retention application disclosed potential periodic annual rate increases. The last such rate increase was effective January 1, 2026. Notice of the rate increase was filed at Docket No. 1010.
Number of Professionals included in this Application	Ten (10) including paralegals.
If applicable, number of professionals in this Application not included in staffing plan approved by client:	N/A.
If applicable, difference between fees budgeted and compensation sought for the Application Period:	N/A.
Number of Professionals billing fewer than 15 hours to the Chapter 11 Cases during the Application Period:	Three (3).

Brown Rudnick LLP (“Brown Rudnick”), as counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”), of Stoli Group (USA) LLC and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), hereby submits this Fifth Interim Fee Application (the “Fourth Interim Application”), pursuant to section 330 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 Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the “Local Rules”); this Court’s *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Professionals* dated January 23, 2025 (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 209]; the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013* (the “U.S. Trustee Guidelines”); and this Court’s *Guidelines for Compensation and Expense Reimbursement of Professionals, effective January 1, 2001* (together with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, the “Fee Guidelines”) for the interim allowance of compensation for professional services provided in the amount of \$438,393.70 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$9,384.26 that Brown Rudnick incurred for the period from January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026 (the “Application Period”) and requests entry of an order granting the Fifth Interim Application and authorizing interim allowance of compensation and directing payment thereof.

In support of the Fifth Interim Application, Brown Rudnick respectfully represents as follows:

BACKGROUND

1. On November 27, 2024 (the “Petition Date”), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Texas (the “Court”).

2. The Debtors continue to operate and manage their business as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 1107(a) and 1108. No trustee or examiner has been requested or appointed in these Cases.

3. On December 23, 2024, the Office of the United States Trustee (the “U.S. Trustee” or “UST”) appointed three eligible creditors to the Committee. *See Appointment of the Official Unsecured Creditors’ Committee* [Docket No. 93].

4. On December 31, 2024, the Committee selected Brown Rudnick to serve as its counsel in these Cases.

5. On January 23, 2025, the Court entered the Interim Compensation Order. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, the Court established a procedure for payment of interim compensation and reimbursement of disbursements for professionals retained in these Cases. In particular, the Court authorized the filing and service to certain Notice Parties (as defined under the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals* [Docket No. 209] (the “Interim Compensation Order”)) of interim fee applications by professionals retained in these Cases (including professionals employed by the Committee) and payment by the Debtors of 20% of all unpaid requested fees (including the 20% holdback) and expenses.

6. On January 28, 2025, the Committee filed the *Application for Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Brown Rudnick LLP as Counsel for the Official Committee of*

Unsecured Creditors of Stoli Group (USA) LLC, et al., Effective as of December 31, 2024 (the “Retention Application”) [Docket No. 218]. On March 7, 2025, the Court entered an order approving the Retention Application [Docket No. 283].

7. This Fifth Interim Application is Brown Rudnick’s fifth application for allowance of interim compensation for services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses. Brown Rudnick has previously served (2) monthly statements (together, the “Monthly Fee Applications”), covering the Fifth Application Period upon the Notice Parties pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order. The Application concerns the pre-Feb 5, 2026 period during which fees were to be sought against both debtors pursuant to, among other orders of this Court, paragraph 7 of the orders entered March 31, 2026 terminating joint administration, found on Stoli USA docket no. 1252 and Kentucky Owl docket no. 37 (professionals to apply for compensation “with respect to all services rendered and expenses incurred on or prior to February 5, 2026, with a single application to be filed on the docket in both cases”).

8. This Fifth Interim Application concerns the period prior to and including Feb. 5, 2026, the effective date of termination of joint administration. Prior to such date, the Committee was appointed in both jointly administered cases, acted as fiduciary of creditors of both Debtors without distinction, and sought payment of its professional fees and expenses from both estates. Upon termination of joint administration, the Court ordered that allowance of fees and expenses shall be sought “with respect to all services rendered and expenses incurred on or prior to February 5, 2026, with a single application to be filed on the docket in both cases.” Stoli USA Dkt. No. 1252; Kentucky Owl Dkt. No. 37, paragraph 7 (identical order language). Accordingly, this Fifth Interim Application is being filed on the docket in both the Stoli USA and Kentucky Owl cases, and payment is sought from both formerly jointly administered Debtors.

**SUMMARY OF SERVICES PERFORMED BY
BROWN RUDNICK DURING THE SECOND INTERIM FEE PERIOD**

9. **DIP Financing/Cash Collateral: Fees: \$385,106.50; Total Hours: 232.8.** During the Application Period, Brown Rudnick expended the bulk of its time (a) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Emergency Motion for an Order Pursuant to Section 1112(b) of the Bankruptcy Code Converting These Cases to Cases Under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code* [Dkt. No. 1043] (the "Conversion Motion"); (b) preparing and filing *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Objection to Fifth Third Bank, National Association's Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1076] in opposition to *Fifth Third Bank, National Association's Emergency Motion for the Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustees for Each of Stoli Group (USA), LLC and Kentucky Owl, LLC* [Dkt. No. 1055] (the "Trustee Motion"); (c) related preparations in connection with the hearing on the foregoing matters, including preparation of a declaration in support of the Committee's Conversion Motion; and (d) ongoing negotiations with the Debtors and Fifth Third Bank towards a consensual resolution of the matters to be heard at the January 30th hearing and documented thereafter.

10. **Hearings: Fees: \$24,780.00; Total Hours: 13.6.** During the Application Period, Brown Rudnick prepared for and attended various hearings relating to the Conversion Motion and the Trustee Motion, and the Debtors' Conversion Motion and various cash collateral approval and related case financing and management issues related thereto.

11. Brown Rudnick has continually made every effort to maximize recoveries for the Committee and all creditors in these Cases. Rudnick asserts that the foregoing services were necessary to the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases and were beneficial to the Committee at the time which the services were rendered. All services were performed within a reasonable

amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue or task addressed.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

12. As noted above, Brown Rudnick was retained to serve in the capacity of counsel to the Committee by Order of this Court dated March 7, 2025, which retention was effective *nunc pro tunc* as of December 31, 2024.

13. This Fifth Interim Application represents Brown Rudnick's fifth interim application as counsel to the Committee and covers the period from January 1, 2026, through February 5, 2026.

14. The computerized time sheets included with the Monthly Fee Applications attached hereto as Exhibit C, and Exhibit D detail the services rendered by the members and associates of Brown Rudnick, the hourly rate charged by each member, associate or paralegal, and the actual time expended in the performance of such services. Said time sheets reflect that Brown Rudnick has expended 276.0 hours in performing services for the Committee, resulting in charges of \$438,393.70. The blended hourly rate charged herein is \$1,588.38 which Brown Rudnick believes is fair and reasonable in light of the nature of the services rendered and the expertise of the professionals rendering such services.

15. The Monthly Fee Applications also include a detailed breakdown of all out-of-pocket disbursements incurred by Brown Rudnick in the performance of its duties as counsel to the Committee, which total \$14,884.97. In the normal course of Brown Rudnick's practice, expenses are only charged to a client after the expenses are actually incurred by Brown Rudnick.

16. The following Monthly Fee Applications which comprise this Fourth Interim Application were served pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order:

Date Served	Filing Period	Total Fees (at 100%)	20% Holdback	Fees Requested (at 80%)	Expenses Requested (at 100%)
(Thirteenth) 2/26/2026	January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026	\$362,718.70	\$72,543.74	\$290,174.96	\$8,717.05
(Fourteenth - Partial) 4/29/2026	February 1, 2026 – February 28, 2026	\$75,675.00	\$15,135.00	\$60,540.00	\$667.21
TOTAL		\$438,393.70	\$87,678.74	\$350,714.96	\$9,384.26

PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTED

17. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, Brown Rudnick submits this Fifth Interim Application seeking interim approval and allowance of compensation in the amount of \$438,393.70 and actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$9,384.26, incurred during the interim period from January 1, 2026 through and including February 5, 2026.

18. Brown Rudnick has not previously applied for payment of any fees or reimbursement of any disbursement during the Cases, except for the Monthly Fee Applications and our First, Second, Third, and Fourth Interim Fee Applications that it has served upon the Notice Parties. Brown Rudnick does not hold a retainer in respect of its services as counsel to the Committee.

19. In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 504 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016(a), no agreement or understanding exists between Brown Rudnick and any other person for the sharing of compensation received or to be received for services rendered in or in connection with these Cases.

20. No agreement or understanding prohibited by 18 U.S.C. § 155 has been or will be made by Brown Rudnick.

21. The undersigned has reviewed the requirements of Local Rule 2016-1 and certifies that this Application complies with that Local Rule.

22. Notice of this Fifth Interim Application has been provided in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order. Brown Rudnick submits that no other of further notice need to be provided.

23. Annexed hereto and made part hereof as Exhibit A is the Certification of Bennett S. Silverberg, with respect to compliance of Local Rules submitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code.

RELIEF REQUESTED

24. By this Application, Brown Rudnick requests entry of an order substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “Proposed Order”) granting interim allowance and approval of one hundred percent (100%) of the fees and expenses incurred by Brown Rudnick during the Application Period.

25. In accordance with the factors enumerated in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, it is respectfully submitted that the amount of compensation requested by Brown Rudnick in this Fourth Interim Application is fair and reasonable given (a) the complexity of the Chapter 11 Cases, (b) the time expended, (c) the nature and extent of the services rendered, (d) the value of such services, and (e) the costs of comparable services other than in a case under the Bankruptcy Code.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Brown Rudnick respectfully requests (a) interim approval and allowance of compensation for professional and paraprofessional services rendered as counsel to the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$438,393.70; (b) interim approval and allowance of the amount of actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the course of providing

services as counsel to the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$9,384.26; (c) approval of payment of the Holdbacks in the amount of \$87,678.74; and (d) entry of an order authorizing and directing that the Debtors, as debtors-in-possession, pay to the Applicant the amounts allowed, subject to amounts paid on account of the Monthly Fee Applications under the Interim Compensation Order, and granting any and all further relief as may be appropriate.

Dated: June 29, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on June 29, 2026, the foregoing Application was served (i) via the Court's CM/ECF system upon all parties receiving such service in this bankruptcy case; and (ii) via e-mail upon the following parties:

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