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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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Signed June 11, 2026

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United States Bankruptcy Judge

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

In re

Kentucky Owl, LLC,¹

Debtor.

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Chapter 11

Case No.: 24-80147-swe11

¹ The Debtor in this Chapter 11 Case, along with the last four digits of its federal identification number, is Kentucky Owl, LLC (3826). The Debtor's address is Kentucky Owl, LLC, Attn: Claudia Z. Springer, Chapter 11 Trustee, c/o Novo Advisors LLC, 200 W. Madison Street, Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

**ORDER PURSUANT TO SECTION 503(a) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND
BANKRUPTCY RULE 3003(c)(3) ESTABLISHING A DEADLINE FOR FILING
REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
AND PROCEDURES RELATING THERETO AND
APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF**

Upon the emergency motion, dated June 5, 2026, (the “Motion”),² of Claudia Z. Springer (the “Kentucky Owl Trustee”), as chapter 11 trustee of Kentucky Owl, LLC (the “Debtor”), for an order pursuant to 503(a) of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 *et seq* (the “Bankruptcy Code”), and Rule 3003(c)(3) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”)) to: (a) establish the deadline for each person or entity (including, without limitation, individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint ventures, governmental entities, and trusts) to file a request for payment for certain Administrative Expenses (a “Request for Payment”) against the Debtor’s estate on or before **July 15, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (Prevailing Central Time)**, or such other date as this Court directs (the “Administrative Bar Date”), with respect to Administrative Expenses arising from the Petition Date to and including May 31, 2026 (the “Administrative Bar Date Period”), and (b) approve the (i) proposed procedures for filing the Requests for Payment, and (iii) proposed procedures for notice of the Administrative Bar Date (the “Administrative Bar Date Notice”), including, among other things, the form of notice substantially in the form attached as Annex I hereto, all as more fully described in the Motion; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor, its estate and creditors, and all parties in interest and that the

² Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.
2. The following procedures for filing Requests for Payment are approved:
 - (a) Any Request for Payment of an Administrative Expense must contain and be filed under the case caption and on the docket of this case either by electronic filing through CM/ECF by the Administrative Bar Date, or, if filed other than by CM/ECF, be filed sufficiently in advance so as to actually appear on the Court's docket by the Administrative Bar Date.
 - (b) Any Request for Payment of an Administrative Expense must be written in the English language, denominated in U.S. dollars, specify the name and case number of the Debtor, set forth the legal and factual bases for the claim, include supporting documentation or an explanation for why supporting documentation is not available, and be signed under penalty of perjury by the claimant or the claimant's attorney or authorized agent.
 - (c) The following persons or entities are **not** required to file a Request for Payment on or before the Administrative Bar Date with respect to Administrative Expenses that arose during the Administrative Bar Date Period:
 - (i) any person or entity whose claim for Administrative Expenses has been paid or otherwise satisfied in full;
 - (ii) the Kentucky Owl Trustee;
 - (iii) any person or entity who is a professional advisor (i.e. counsel, financial advisors, accountants, claims agents) retained by the Kentucky Owl Trustee, including all professional advisors retained pursuant to orders of the Bankruptcy Court (for the avoidance of doubt, this does not include professionals retained by the Debtor or the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors prior to the appointment of the Kentucky Owl Trustee); and
 - (iv) any holder of a claim for Administrative Expenses who has already properly filed a Request for Payment with the Court in accordance with these procedures.

3. The Administrative Bar Date shall apply to all professional advisors retained in the Debtor's case (collectively, the "Pre-Appointment Professionals") solely as and to

the extent set forth herein. Each Pre-Appointment Professional's Request for Payment shall be in the form of an interim, or to the extent applicable final, application seeking approval of compensation for fees incurred and reimbursement of expenses for the Administrative Bar Date Period (each, a "Fee Application"). Except as otherwise provided herein, each Fee Application shall (i) be in form and substance compliant with prior orders of this Court, including without limitation all orders authorizing professional retention and allowance of fees and expenses in the previously jointly administered cases, the Procedures Order, and the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals* [Stoli Docket No. 209]; (ii) need not contain a request for fees incurred or reimbursement of expenses for which an interim or final fee application has been previously approved by the Court, but shall indicate the amount of the previously approved fees or expenses remaining unpaid as of the date of such Fee Application; and (iii) (a) provide a summary cover sheet with an allocation of unpaid fees and expenses requested between the Debtor's and Stoli's respective estates, and not merely incorporate by reference prior filings with the Court, and (b) such allocation should specify the fees and expenses actually incurred, and not merely a percentage allocation, as to the Debtor for the Administrative Bar Date Period ((a) and (b) together, the "Allocation Information").

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Pre-Appointment Professional may file a Fee Application without the Allocation Information provided such Fee Application is filed with the Court **on or before July 1, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (Prevailing Central Time)**, except such deadline may be extended by the Kentucky Owl Trustee without further order of the Court. This paragraph shall not modify or restrict any prior orders of this Court with respect to any professional retention or application for compensation and reimbursement of expenses.

4. Except as provided in the preceding paragraph, any holder of a claim for Administrative Expenses against the Debtor's estate that is required but fails to file a Request for Payment in accordance with this Order on or before the Administrative Bar Date shall be forever barred, estopped and enjoined from asserting such claim for Administrative Expenses against the Kentucky Owl Trustee and the Debtor's estate (or filing any proof of claim or Request for Payment with respect thereto), and the Kentucky Owl Trustee, the Debtor's estate, and its successors, and property shall be forever discharged from any and all indebtedness or liability with respect to such claim for Administrative Expenses.

5. The Administrative Bar Date shall apply to Stoli subject to extension by agreement between the Kentucky Owl Trustee and the chapter 11 trustee of Stoli without further order of the Court.

6. The Administrative Bar Date Notice, substantially in the form annexed hereto as Annex I, is hereby approved.

7. The following notice procedures are hereby approved:

- (a) By no later than June 15, 2026, the Kentucky Owl Trustee shall cause to be by email, or first-class mail, postage prepaid where email is not available, the Administrative Bar Date Notice to the following parties (the "Notice Parties"):
 - (i) all holders of claims previously filed against the Debtor and ; and all holders of administrative claims previously filed against Stoli prior to entry of the Procedures Order
 - (ii) the U.S. Trustee;
 - (iii) counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee");
 - (iv) all professionals retained in the Debtor's or Stoli's respective chapter 11 cases prior to the Appointment Date;

- (v) all parties that have requested notice in in the Debtor's or Stoli's bankruptcy cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 as of the date of the entry of the Proposed Order;
 - (vi) all vendors or other parties (to the extent known by the Kentucky Owl Trustee or available in the Debtor's records) paid by the Debtor since the Petition Date;
 - (vii) all creditors and counterparties to executory contracts and unexpired leases of the Debtor listed in the Schedules of Assets and Liabilities [Docket No. 11] or their designated representatives;
 - (viii) all current and former employees of the Debtor employed since the Petition Date (to the extent that contact information for former employees is available in the Debtors' records);
 - (ix) the Internal Revenue Service and all other taxing authorities for the jurisdictions in which the Debtor conducts business;
 - (x) all relevant state attorneys general;
 - (xi) all other entities listed on the Creditor Matrix as defined in the Procedures Order; and
 - (xii) counsel to any of the foregoing, if known.
- (b) The Kentucky Owl Trustee shall also cause the Administrative Bar Date Notice to be posted on the chapter 11 case website <https://cases.stretto.com/KentuckyOwl>.

8. The Kentucky Owl Trustee is authorized and empowered to take such steps and perform such acts as may be necessary to implement and effectuate the terms of this Order.

9. Notification of the relief granted by this Order as provided herein is fair and reasonable and will provide good, sufficient, and proper notice to all creditors of their rights and obligations in connection with claims for Administrative Expenses they may have against the Debtor's estate.

10. Entry of this Order is without prejudice to the right of the Kentucky Owl Trustee to seek a further order of this Court fixing the date by which holders of administrative claims **not** subject to the Administrative Bar Date established herein must file Requests for Payment against the Debtor's estate or be forever barred from doing so.

11. Nothing in this Order shall in any way extend or otherwise alter the Pre-Petition Claim Bar Dates established in the Pre-Petition Bar Date Order.

12. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation and/or enforcement of this Order.

END OF ORDER

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ANNEX I

Administrative Bar Date Notice

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

In re	§	
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Kentucky Owl, LLC, ¹	§	Case No.: 24-80147-swe11
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Debtor.	§	
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NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH A CLAIM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
AGAINST THE DEBTOR SET FORTH BELOW:

Name of Debtor	Case Number	Tax Identification Number	Other Names Used by Debtor in the Past 8 Years
Kentucky Owl, LLC	24-80147	82-0923826	None

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, on June __, 2026, the Court entered an order (the “Administrative Bar Date Order”) establishing the deadline for each person or entity (including, without limitation, individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint ventures, governmental units (governmental units shall be ascribed the meaning as provided in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code), and trusts) to file a request for payment (a “Request for Payment”) against the Kentucky Owl, LLC’s (the “Debtor”) estate on or before **July 15, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (Prevailing Central Time)** (the “Administrative Bar Date”) with respect to administrative expenses arising from November 27, 2024 to and including May 31, 2026 (the “Administrative Bar Date Period”).

The Administrative Bar Date Order, the Administrative Bar Date, and the procedures set forth below for the filing of Requests for Payment apply to all claims for administrative expenses against the Debtor’s estate other than those set forth below as being specifically excluded. The Administrative Bar Date Order **does not relate to any claim that arose prior to November 27, 2024** (the “Petition Date”). February 25, 2025 was the deadline for filing claims against the Debtor which arose before the Petition Date for all persons and entities other than governmental entities

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and May 28, 2025 was the deadline for filing claims against the Debtor which arose before the Petition Date for all governmental units.

1. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

You **MUST** file a **Request for Payment** to obtain payment on account of **a claim for administrative expenses** arising from **November 27, 2024 to and including May 31, 2026** unless your claim is one of the types of claims described in Section 2 below. Claims for administrative expenses are specifically described in sections 330, 503 and 507 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

2. WHO NEED NOT FILE A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

The following persons or entities are **not** required to file a Request for Payment for administrative expenses on or before the Administrative Bar Date with respect to administrative expenses that arose during the Administrative Bar Date Period:

- a) any person or entity whose claim for Administrative Expenses has been paid or otherwise satisfied in full;
- b) the Kentucky Owl Trustee;
- c) any person or entity who is a professional advisor (i.e. counsel, financial advisors, accountants, claims agents) retained by the Claudia Z. Springer, in her capacity as chapter 11 trustee of the Debtor, including all professional advisors retained pursuant to orders of the Court (for the avoidance of doubt, this does not include professionals retained by the Debtor or the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors prior to the appointment of the Kentucky Owl Trustee); and
- d) any holder of a claim for Administrative Expenses who has already properly filed a Request for Payment with the Court in accordance with these procedures.

If your claim for administrative expenses falls within any of the above exceptions, you do **NOT** have to file a Request for Payment at this time. Any other person or entity with a claim for administrative expenses must file a Request for Payment as described herein.

3. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE

Any Request for Payment for administrative expenses must contain and be filed under the case caption and on the docket of this case either by electronic filing through CM/ECF by the Administrative Bar Date, or, if filed other than by CM/ECF, be filed sufficiently in advance so as to actually appear on the Court's docket by the Administrative Bar Date.

Further, any Request for Payment for administrative expenses must be written in the English language, denominated in U.S. dollars, specify the name and case number of the Debtors

against whom the claim is asserted, set forth the legal and factual bases for the claim against the Debtor, include supporting documentation or an explanation for why supporting documentation is not available, and be signed under penalty of perjury by the claimant or the claimant's attorney or authorized agent.

4. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE BAR DATE

Except with respect to claims for administrative expenses of the type set forth in Section 2 above, any creditor who fails to file a Request for Payment on or before the Administrative Bar Date in the appropriate form in accordance with the procedures described in this Notice for any claims for administrative expenses such creditor holds or wishes to assert against the Debtor's estate will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting the claim for administrative expenses against the Kentucky Owl Trustee and the Debtor's estate, and the Kentucky Owl Trustee, the Debtor's estate, its successors, and property will be forever discharged from any and all indebtedness or liability with respect to such claim for administrative expenses.

If you have any questions relating to this notice, please contact the Debtors' notice and claims agent, Stretto at 855-494-2896 or at TeamKentuckyOwl@stretto.com.

Dated: June ___, 2026

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