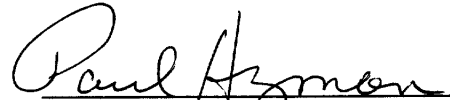




ORDERED in the Southern District of Florida on February 1, 2017.


Paul G. Hyman, Jr., Judge
United States Bankruptcy Court

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
WEST PALM BEACH DIVISION
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In re:

Chapter 11

PALM BEACH FINANCE PARTNERS, L.P.,
PAL BEACH FINANCE II, L.P.¹,

Case No.: 09-36379-PGH
Case No.: 09-36396-PGH
(Jointly Administered)

Debtors.

**ORDER AWARDING THIRD INTERIM POST CONFIRMATION FEE
APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION
AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF MICHAEL J. LESSER AS EXPERT TO
CHAPTER 11 LIQUIDATING TRUSTEE**

THIS CAUSE came before the Court on January 31, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., upon the Third Interim Post Confirmation Fee Application for Allowance and Payment of Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Michael J. Lesser as Expert to Chapter 11 Liquidating Trustee [ECF No. 3116] (the "*Application*").

¹ The address and last four digits of the taxpayer identification number for each of the Debtors follows in parenthesis: (i) Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P., 3601 PGA Blvd. Suite 301, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 (TIN 9943); and (ii) Palm Beach Finance II, L.P., 3601 PGA Blvd. Suite 301, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 (TIN 0680).

The Court, having reviewed the Application, having heard from all parties in interest who had an opportunity to be heard, having taken into consideration 11 U.S.C. § 331 and each of the factors that govern the reasonableness of fees as set forth in *In re First Colonial Corp. of America*, 544 F.2d 1291 (5th Cir. 1977) and *Johnson v. Georgia Highway Express*, 488 F.2d 714 (5th Cir. 1974), having heard the argument of counsel, and based on the record, it is

ORDERED that:

1. The Application is **APPROVED**.
2. Michael J. Lesser as expert consultant to the Liquidating Trustee², is awarded compensation in the amount of **\$8,875.00**, (representing 100% of the fees requested) and **\$713.00** (representing 100% of expenses requested) (“*Fee and Cost Award*”).
3. Pursuant to Section 1.76 of the Plan, and as set forth in the Application, the fees awarded herein are subject to the *pro rata* allocation formula. The Fee and Cost Award shall be paid by the particular estate as follows:

| Estate / Percentage | Fees | Costs |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Palm Beach Finance Partners, L.P. (18%) | \$1,597.50 | \$128.34 |
| Palm Beach Finance II, L.P. (82%) | \$7,277.50 | \$584.66 |
| TOTAL FEES AND COSTS: | \$8,875.00 | \$713.00 |

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² All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term as set forth in the Application.

4. Pursuant to Section 7.1.11 of the Plan, the Court ratifies payments previously made by the Liquidating Trustee to Michael J. Lesser, with respect to the Fee and Cost Award.

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Solomon B. Genet, Esquire, is directed to serve copies of this Order on all parties in interest and to file a Certificate of Service.