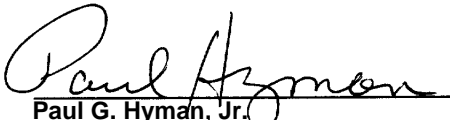




**ORDERED in the Southern District of Florida on October 29, 2014.**

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

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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.,  
  
Debtors.

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

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**ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION  
OF MICHAEL J. LESSER, NUNC PRO TUNC TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2014**

**THIS CAUSE** came before the Court on October 28, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. upon the Liquidating Trustee’s *Application to Employ Michael J. Lesser (“Applicant”), Nunc Pro Tunc to September 26, 2014* [ECF No. 2466] (“*Application*”). Upon the representations that the Applicant (i) is duly qualified, (ii) holds no interest adverse to the Liquidating Trustee or the Debtors’ estates in the matters upon which the Applicant is engaged, (iii) is disinterested as required by 11 U.S.C. § 327(a), (iv) has disclosed any connections with parties set forth in *Fed.*

*R. Bankr. P.* 2014, and (v) the Applicant's employment is necessary and would be in the best interests of the Debtors' estates and their creditors, it is

**ORDERED** as follows:

1. The Application is **GRANTED**, *nunc pro tunc* to September 26, 2014.
2. The Liquidating Trustee is authorized to retain the Applicant as a consultant (expert) pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 327, 330 and 331, and the terms set forth in the Application.
3. The Applicant is entitled to monthly interim compensation for fees and expenses incurred and shall, no less frequently than once every four (4) months, submit applications to the Bankruptcy Court for final approval of same.
4. The "Pro Rata Allocation Formula" is the proper methodology to allocate Applicant's fees and expenses between the two estates.

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