



**ORDER APPROVING EMPLOYMENT OF ROSE L. ROMERO OF THE  
LAW OFFICES OF ROMERO | KOZUB AS LOCAL COUNSEL  
TO RECEIVER EFFECTIVE AS OF DECEMBER 3, 2021**

Before the Court is the Application to Employ Rose L. Romero of the Law Offices of Romero | Kozub as Local Counsel to Receiver Effective December 3, 2021 (ECF No. 21), filed by Receiver Deborah D. Williamson on December 7, 2021. The Court finds that: (i) it has subject matter jurisdiction over the Application; (ii) it has personal jurisdiction over the Receivership Parties; (iii) the Law Offices of Romero | Kozub (a) does not represent or hold any interest adverse to the Receivership Parties or the Estates and (b) is disinterested and not otherwise disqualified from representing the Receiver; (iv) the Receiver's employment of Romero under the scope outlined in the Application is in the best interests of the Estates; (v) proper and adequate notice of the Application has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; (vi) no objections to the Application were filed with this Court; (vii) (a) the Receiver engaged Romero on December 3, 2021, and (b) the employment of Romero should be effective as of that date; and (viii) the Receiver has shown good, sufficient, and sound business purpose and justification for the relief requested in the Application, and that, after due deliberation thereon, good and sufficient cause exists for approving the relief requested therein.

Accordingly, the Application is **APPROVED**. Pursuant to the Receivership Order, the Receiver is authorized to employ and retain Romero as local counsel in accordance with the compensation terms detailed in the Application effective as of December 3, 2021. Romero is authorized to provide such professional services in this Case and assist the Receiver in relation to the SEC Receivership Issues outlined in the Application, including, without limitation, any issues ancillary and related thereto.

Romero shall cause to be filed, through the Receiver, applications for the approval of compensation of her fees and expenses on an interim and final basis in compliance with the Court's Receivership Order, the local rules of this Court, and such other procedures that may be fixed by an order of this Court.

**SO ORDERED** on this **8th day of December, 2021**.

  
Reed O'Connor  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE