

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re SANCTUARY BELIZE LITIGATION

No: 18-cv-3309-PJM

 ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ORDER APPROVING AND
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF RECEIVER'S AND PROFESSIONALS' FEES FROM
FEBRUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023

The Motion for Order Approving and Authorizing Payment of Receiver's and Professionals' Fees and Costs From February 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 (Doc. 1456, the "Motion") filed by the Receiver, Marc-Philip Ferzan of Ankura Consulting Group, LLC ("Receiver"), came before this Court for determination pursuant to regularly noticed motion.

The Court, having read and considered the Motion and all pleadings and evidence filed in support thereof, the Federal Trade Commission's ("FTC") Opposition to Receiver's Motions for Access to Certain Settlement Funds, DE 1457, and to Pay Professional Fees, DE 1456 (Doc. 1459, the "Opposition") and attachment thereto, the Receiver's Reply in Support of the Motion (Doc. 1461) and all documents filed in support thereof, the FTC's Reply in Support of Notice Regarding Redress Process and Request for Status Conference and Guidance from the Court (Doc. 1463, the "Reply" and together with the Opposition, the "Objections"), and the Receiver's Notice of Availability for Hearing (Doc. 1464); the Court having held a hearing on October 10, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to the Court's Paperless Notice of Scheduling of Status Conference (Doc. 1467) with appearances by Gary Owen Caris and Allison M. Rego of Barnes & Thornburg

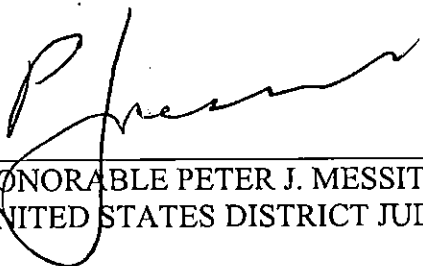
LLP on behalf of the Receiver, Benjamin J. Theisman and Christopher J. Erickson on behalf of the FTC, and John B. Williams of Williams Lopatto PLLC on behalf of the Defendants, and at which Marc-Philip Ferzan and Michael Schultz of Ankura Consulting Group, LLC were also present; the Court having heard and considered the arguments and contentions of counsel and the Receiver at the hearing; and the Court having determined that the Receiver provided due and proper notice, and good cause appearing therefore, and for the reasons stated on the record, it is

ORDERED that:

1. The Motion is granted;
2. The following fees and costs incurred from February 1, 2023, through June 30, 2023, are hereby approved and authorized to be paid from the assets of the receivership estate:
(a) Receiver's fees, including the fees of the Receiver's team at Ankura Consulting Group, LLC, of \$272,177.30 and Receiver's costs of \$2,437.95, for a total of \$274,615.25; (b) Receiver's counsel Barnes & Thornburg LLP's fees of \$137,908 and costs of \$885.74, for a total of \$138,793.74; and (c) Receiver's real estate and transactions counsel Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP's fees of \$554.40.

Dated:

10/19/23


HONORABLE PETER J. MESSITTE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE