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FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND  
NORTHERN DIVISION

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE )  
COMMISSION, )

*Plaintiff,* )

v. )

KEVIN B. MERRILL, et al., )

*Defendants.* )

Case No.: 1:18-cv-02844-RDB

**ORDER GRANTING RECEIVER GREGORY S. MILLIGAN'S  
MOTION FOR ORDER AUTHORIZING RETENTION,  
EMPLOYMENT, AND COMPENSATION OF BANKRUPTCY MANAGEMENT  
SOLUTIONS INC. D/B/A STRETTO AS CLAIMS AGENT**

This matter is before the Court on the Motion for Order Authorizing Retention, Employment, and Compensation of Bankruptcy Management Solutions Inc. d/b/a Stretto as Claims Agent (the "Motion") (Dkt. No. 393), filed by Receiver Gregory S. Milligan (the "Receiver"), the Court-appointed Receiver in the above-captioned case. The Court, having considered the Motion and evidence submitted in support thereof, responses or objections, if any, the arguments of counsel, and the pleadings on file, finds that the Motion should be, and hereby is, GRANTED.

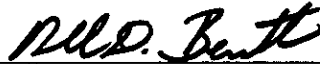
It is therefore ORDERED that:

1. The Motion is GRANTED in its entirety.
2. The Receiver is authorized to employ Bankruptcy Management Solutions Inc. d/b/a Stretto as the claims agent to facilitate the noticing and cataloging of claims submitted by investors and creditors and in accordance with the terms set forth in the Engagement Agreement attached to the Facciano Declaration as Exhibit 1 (the "Engagement Agreement").

3. Bankruptcy Management Solutions Inc. d/b/a Stretto shall file interim and final fee applications pursuant to and in accordance with the Receivership Order and SEC's Billing Instructions.

4. The Receiver is authorized to disclose the Victim Financial Information and the Pooled Fund Information, as defined in Dkt. Nos. 187 & 190 in the Criminal Action, and records under Misc. Order No 19-708 (under seal) to Stretto as part of its duties in acting as the Receiver's claims agent. Stretto will be bound by the same requirements as the SEC and the Receiver that are contained in Dkt. Nos. 187 & 190 and Misc. Order No 19-708 (under seal) in the Criminal Action.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 9<sup>TH</sup> day of February, 2021.



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HON. RICHARD D. BENNETT  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE