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Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of
Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and
Alan Nisselson, the Chapter 7 Trustee of Bernard L. Madoff*

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION
CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT
SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)
SIPA Liquidation
(Substantively Consolidated)

**TWENTY-EIGHTH APPLICATION OF WINDELS MARX LANE & MITTENDORF,
LLP FOR ALLOWANCE OF INTERIM COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF ACTUAL AND NECESSARY
EXPENSES INCURRED FROM AUGUST 1, 2018 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2018**

Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP (“Windels Marx” or the “Firm”) as special counsel to Irving H. Picard as trustee (the “Trustee”) for the substantively consolidated liquidation proceeding of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC (“BLMIS” or “Debtor”), and to Alan Nisselson as trustee (the “Chapter 7 Trustee”) for the Chapter 7 estate of Bernard L. Madoff (“Madoff”), pursuant to the Orders of the Court dated July 16,

2009 [Docket No. 327] and November 23, 2011 [Docket No. 4547], respectfully submits this application (the “Twenty-Eighth Application”) for an order pursuant to section 78eee(b)(5) of the Securities Investor Protection Act (“SIPA”), 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(5), sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et. seq. (the “Bankruptcy Code”), and Rule 2016(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), allowing and awarding interim compensation for services performed by Windels Marx for the period commencing August 1, 2018 through and including November 30, 2018 (the “Compensation Period”) in the amount of \$1,813,429.50 of which 80%, or \$1,450,743.60 is to be paid currently and 20%, or \$362,685.90, is to be deferred through the conclusion of the liquidation proceeding or further order of the Court, and reimbursement of Windels Marx’s actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period in the amount of \$13,467.97, and in support thereof, respectfully represents as follows:

I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. During this Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period, Windels Marx continued to assist the Trustee and his counsel, Baker & Hostetler LLP (“Baker”), in their efforts to recover customer property for the victims of Madoff’s fraud.

2. Among other things, Windels Marx spent significant time during the Compensation Period working independently and with Baker on the Trustee’s active subsequent transfer cases, including working on numerous factual and legal research projects, reviewing and analyzing newly produced documents, preparing memoranda in connection with anticipated motions for leave to file amended subsequent transfer complaints, and updating and revising the draft amended subsequent transfer complaints.

3. During the Compensation Period, Windels Marx also spent substantial time working on “Good Faith” matters, including preparing for the anticipated mediation in Windels Marx’s one remaining good faith adversary proceeding, reviewing prior testimony and drafting notes and memoranda on evidentiary issues, and, in coordination with Baker, drafting documents, conducting research, and assisting with other tasks to support the Trustee’s motions to conduct and/or reopen discovery and to supplement expert reports.

4. Windels Marx also worked on discovery matters during the Compensation Period, with and on behalf of Baker, preparing subpoenas, handling related objections and responses, and working on the dedesignation of confidential documents. In addition, Windels Marx assisted Baker preparing for the Second Circuit oral argument on the Trustee’s appeal from this Court’s November 2016 Order (the “ET Order”) regarding extraterritoriality and comity (the “ET Appeal”).

5. The following discussion and the materials attached to this Twenty-Eighth Application cover the major categories of services for which allowance of compensation is sought.

II. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

The SIPA Liquidation

6. On December 11, 2008, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the “District Court”) against defendants Madoff and BLMIS (Case No. 08 CV 10791) (the “SEC Action”). The SEC complaint alleged that Madoff and BLMIS engaged in fraud through the investment advisor activities of BLMIS.

7. In the SEC Action, the SEC consented to a combination of its own action with an application of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”). Thereafter, pursuant to section 78eee(a)(3) of the SIPA, SIPC filed an application in the District Court alleging, inter alia, that BLMIS was not able to meet its obligations to securities customers as they came due and, accordingly, its customers needed the protection afforded by SIPA.

8. On December 15, 2008, District Judge Stanton granted the SIPC application, which among other things:

- appointed Irving H. Picard as the SIPA Trustee for the liquidation of the business of BLMIS pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(3);
- appointed Baker as counsel to the SIPA Trustee pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(3); and
- removed the liquidation proceeding (the “BLMIS Liquidation”) to this Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(4).

The Bernard L. Madoff Chapter 7 Case

9. On April 13, 2009, Blumenthal & Associates Florida General Partnership, Martin Rappaport Charitable Remainder Unitrust, Martin Rappaport, Marc Chernoff and Steven Morganstern (collectively, the “Petitioning Creditors”), through their attorneys, Milberg LLP, filed an involuntary petition for relief under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code against Madoff.

10. On April 16, 2009, the Petitioning Creditors filed a motion to appoint a trustee in Madoff’s case, and on that same date, the Court entered an Order to Show Cause Why the Court Should Not Enter an Order Directing the United States Trustee to Appoint an Interim Trustee.

11. On April 20, 2009, the Court entered an Order directing the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York (the “UST”) to appoint an interim trustee to perform the duties of trustee as set forth in Bankruptcy Code §§ 701 and 704, pursuant to which the UST appointed Alan Nisselson as the Chapter 7 Trustee on April 21, 2009.

12. On April 24, 2009, the Court entered an Order authorizing and empowering the Chapter 7 Trustee to retain Windels Marx to represent him in the Madoff case, effective as of April 21, 2009.

13. On May 5, 2009, the SIPA Trustee and SIPC filed a joint motion for entry of an order pursuant to section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code substantively consolidating the Madoff estate into the BLMIS Liquidation (the “Substantive Consolidation Motion”).

14. On June 9, 2009, after the Chapter 7 Trustee filed a Response to the Substantive Consolidation Motion, the Court entered a Consent Order (“Consent Order”) [Docket No. 252] which, among other things, approved the Substantive Consolidation Motion, *nunc pro tunc* to December 11, 2008.

15. On July 16, 2009, this Court entered an Order granting the Trustee’s motion to retain Windels Marx as special counsel on behalf of the consolidated estate, *nunc pro tunc* as of June 9, 2009 [Docket No. 327], finding that Windels Marx is disinterested pursuant to section 78eee(b)(6) of SIPA, section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a) and is therefore in compliance with the disinterestedness requirement in section 78eee(b)(3) of SIPA, section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a).

16. On November 23, 2011, this Court entered an Order [Docket No. 4547] making certain provisions of this Court's Order Establishing Procedures Governing Interim Monthly Compensation of the Trustee and Baker & Hostetler LLP, amended and superseded in its entirety on June 1, 2011, applicable to Windels Marx, *nunc pro tunc* as of June 1, 2011.

III. SPECIAL COUNSEL'S EXPERIENCE

17. Windels Marx engages in the general practice of law, and has substantial expertise in such areas as bankruptcy, commercial litigation, securities, tax and corporate law.

18. In particular, the senior Windels Marx attorneys in charge of this matter specialize in advising Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 bankruptcy trustees in connection with complex bankruptcy litigation related to, among other things, asset analysis and recovery.

IV. SUMMARY OF SERVICES

19. The services rendered by Windels Marx during the four-month Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period are described below. In rendering professional services to the Trustee and the Chapter 7 Trustee, Windels Marx's legal team has been composed of professionals with extensive experience in bankruptcy and complex commercial litigation, securities, tax, and corporate law.

20. Windels Marx professionals have worked closely with the Trustee, his counsel at Baker, and the Trustee's other retained professionals to coordinate their efforts in order to maximize efficiency and to avoid any duplication of effort.

21. This Twenty-Eighth Application is intended to serve as a summary description of the more significant services rendered by Windels Marx during the Twenty-

Eighth Compensation Period. The following section provides an overview of those services, sorted by the matter and task codes used by Windels Marx for specific categories of work.

22. Matter Number 02 is the general matter number used for tasks that affect all proceedings commenced by Windels Marx on behalf of the Trustee, and task numbers have been assigned for specific categories of work to permit a more detailed analysis of the fees incurred.¹

23. Matter Numbers 03-23 relate to specific projects, adversary proceedings, or groups of adversary proceedings commenced, being handled, and/or being supervised by Windels Marx on behalf of the Trustee. Common tasks conducted by Windels Marx in these projects, adversary proceedings, or groups of adversary proceedings include the drafting of reports, analyses, and internal memoranda; the filing of papers and the scheduling of matters with the Bankruptcy and/or District Courts; on-going coordination with Baker regarding investigation and litigation strategy; and/or discussions with opposing counsel regarding representation, service, and appearance issues, extensions of time to respond, adjournments of pre-trial conferences, discovery, and settlement. For the sake of brevity, the descriptions of specific projects, adversary proceedings, or groups of adversary proceedings in paragraphs 24 through 45 below will not repeat these common tasks, but will be limited to matter-specific tasks and case activity that occurred during the Compensation Period.

A. MADOFF GENERAL (MATTER 02)

Task Code 004: Case Administration (8.90 hours)

¹ Matter 01 is reserved for certain non-billable time entries.

24. This category relates to various tasks across cases, including (i) research projects and memoranda of general applicability for use by Windels Marx and/or Baker, (ii) the on-going review and reporting internally and to SIPC and Baker on the status of cases and case-wide issues, (iii) the on-going review, organizing, and docketing of case-related information into Baker's and Windels Marx's central databases for use across all Windels Marx and Baker teams, (iv) coordinated tasks affecting or related to one or more Windels Marx and/or Baker cases, and (v) general administrative tasks.

25. Starting in December 2016, time entries previously included in Case Administration that related to global and case-wide matters affecting our subsequent transfer cases (including matters related to the ET Appeal) have been moved to matter 23 below.

26. Time entries during this Compensation Period related to, among other things, (i) updating weekly case status reports and (ii) participating in and working on global matters raised in team meetings led by Baker.

Task Code 007: Fee Applications (44.00 hours)

27. This category relates to the Firm's preparation of Windels Marx's monthly billing statements to SIPC and the Trustee, as well as Windels Marx's Applications for Interim Compensation, and the time spent by attorneys and paraprofessionals in reviewing the Windels Marx billing statements before they are submitted to SIPC and the Trustee, to (i) ensure that time was properly billed, (ii) correct any errors in time entries, (iii) write off certain time and expenses as agreed to by Windels Marx for the benefit of SIPC, and (iv) respond to certain adjustments requested or questions raised by SIPC and/or the Trustee after their review of the monthly billing statements and draft fee application.

Task Code 041: Discovery, Document Review, Document Production (38.60 hours)

28. This category relates to discovery and related issues not specific to a Windels Marx case, such as document productions in response to third party subpoenas, productions of documents produced by parties with whom Baker has a conflict, confidentiality issues concerning these document productions, and other discovery-related work that is responsive to requests from Baker or applicable generally to Windels Marx's cases.

29. Time entries during this Compensation Period related to, among other things (i) preparing a bank subpoena for Baker, handling service-related issues, and addressing the subpoena recipient's objections and responses; (ii) working on the dedesignation of certain confidential documents; (iii) addressing a motion by the Lehman trustee to abandon or destroy certain documents; and (iv) participating in and following up on issues raised in meetings of Baker's Discovery Management Team (and sub-groups thereof) on general discovery protocols, strategies, and issues.

Task Code L140: Document/File Management (7.00 hours)

30. This category covers time spent managing on-site and off-site preservation and organization activities with respect to the Firm's Madoff-related physical case files and inventories.

B. GOOD FAITH PROCEEDINGS (MATTER 07) (1,582.80 hours)

31. This category relates to one good faith adversary proceeding against BLMIS Investment Advisor net winner customers that was outstanding during this Compensation Period, seeking to recover approximately \$1.125 million in two-year

fictitious profits paid out by BLMIS, as well as global matters related to all of the Trustee's remaining good faith cases, on which we assist Baker.

32. In addition to the tasks outlined in ¶ 23, time entries during this Compensation Period included, among other things, (i) preparing for the mediation of Windels Marx's one remaining active good faith case, including reviewing and analyzing third-party discovery and supporting documents, researching mediation-related and certain evidentiary issues, and drafting the mediation statement and (ii) handling settlement compliance matters in a number of good faith matters that have settled.

33. Windels Marx also spent significant time working and assisting Baker on issues common to the Trustee's good faith cases including (i) working on the Trustee's motion to reopen discovery and supplement expert reports with respect to proof of the Ponzi, including conducting research on numerous legal and factual issues relating to the motion, drafting memoranda of law and language for the supporting brief and exhibits, and assisting with preparations for oral argument; (ii) conducting legal and factual research, and drafting notes and memoranda, on several evidentiary and other issues for use in good faith mediations, motion practice, and trials; and (iii) working independently and with Baker on the status, developments, and next steps in furtherance of the foregoing.

C. ZEPHYROS (MATTER 14) (49.40 hours)

34. This category relates to an avoidance action filed on April 5, 2012 to recover subsequent transfers of Customer Property from certain BLMIS feeder funds to Defendant totaling over \$114 million. *Picard v. Zephyros Limited*, Adv Pro. No. 12-

01278 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (SMB). This case was dismissed in part by virtue of the ET Order and is a part of the ET Appeal.

35. In addition to the tasks outlined in ¶ 23, time entries during this Compensation Period related to (i) reviewing and analyzing documents supporting the draft amended complaint, (ii) reviewing, editing, and restructuring the draft amended complaint, (iii) addressing potential commonalities between Zephyros and other subsequent transfer cases, and (iv) drafting and filing a notice of adjournment of the pre-trial conference.

D. MISTRAL (MATTER 15) (52.40 hours)

36. This category relates to an avoidance action filed on April 5, 2012 to recover subsequent transfers of Customer Property from certain BLMIS feeder funds to Defendant totaling approximately \$3.4 million. *Picard v. Mistral (SPC)*, Adv Pro. No. 12-01273 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (SMB). This case was dismissed in part by virtue of the ET Order. It is not a part of the Trustee's ET Appeal.

37. In addition to the tasks outlined in ¶ 23, time entries during this Compensation Period related to (i) conducting targeted document searches and analyzing documents to support the draft amended complaint, (ii) revising and updating certain sections of the draft amended complaint, and (iii) preparing and filing a notice of adjournment of the pre-trial conference.

E. ROYAL BANK OF CANADA (MATTER 17) (460.50 hours)

38. This category contains entries related to two avoidance actions. The first action relates to an avoidance action filed on June 6, 2012 to recover subsequent transfers

of Customer Property from certain BLMIS feeder funds to Defendants totaling over \$100 million. *Picard v. Royal Bank of Canada*, Adv. Pro. No. 12-01699 (SMB).

39. The second action under Matter 17 relates to an avoidance action filed on June 6, 2012 to recover subsequent transfers of Customer Property from certain BLMIS feeder funds to Defendants totaling over \$80 million. *Picard v. Banque Internationale a Luxembourg S.A. (f/k/a Dexia Banque Internationale a Luxembourg S.A.)*, Adv. Pro. No. 12-01698 (SMB).

40. These cases were dismissed in part by virtue of the ET Order and are a part of the ET Appeal.

41. In addition to the tasks outlined in ¶ 23, time entries during this Compensation Period related to (i) reviewing and analyzing documents from recent third party productions to further support the draft amended complaints and update case plans and related worksheets, (ii) revising certain sections in and otherwise updating the draft amended complaints, and (iii) revising the memorandum supporting the Trustee's motion for leave to amend the complaints.

F. COORDINATED CASES (MATTER 20) (87.70 hours)

42. This category relates to a group of thirteen subsequent transferee cases, filed by Baker and staffed with Baker attorneys, which Howard Simon is supervising, with supporting work by other Windels attorneys, to facilitate the coordination of common information, issues, and documents between the firms and take advantage of staffing efficiencies. These "Coordinated Cases" were dismissed by virtue of the ET Order and are a part of the ET Appeal.

43. This category also relates to work performed at Baker Hostetler's request in connection with the Tremont group of Madoff feeder funds, and application of same to all Windels Marx and Baker subsequent transferee cases.

44. Time entries during this Compensation Period related to (i) revising and updating the Tremont-related allegations in Windels Marx's and Baker's subsequent transfer draft amended complaints, (ii) reviewing documents to support the Tremont-related allegations and for possible use in Tremont-related discovery, and (iii) participating in and working with Baker attorneys on recent developments, next steps, and priorities raised in Tremont and other team meetings.

**G. CASE-WIDE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER LITIGATION (MATTER 23)
(2,067.40 hours)**

45. This category relates to the ET Appeal and any other omnibus-style decisions, motion practice, research, or other tasks related to Windels Marx's subsequent transfer cases globally or case-wide tasks needed by the Trustee with respect to subsequent transfer cases.

46. Time entries during this Compensation Period related to (i) reviewing newly produced and key documents to update and provide additional support for the draft amended complaints in Windels Marx's subsequent transfer cases, (ii) analyzing pleadings and other Tremont-related court filings for information supporting the allegations in draft amended subsequent transfer complaints, (iii) researching and drafting memoranda on numerous legal and factual issues related to motions for leave to file amended complaints in Windels Marx and Baker subsequent transfer actions, (iv) reviewing and drafting language to use in court papers supporting motions for leave to

amend subsequent transfer complaints, and (v) working on preparations for the Second Circuit oral argument on the ET Appeal.

V. COMPENSATION REQUESTED

47. During the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period, Windels Marx expended 4,398.70 hours in the rendition of professional and paraprofessional services on behalf of the Trustee and the Chapter 7 Trustee, resulting in a blended attorney hourly rate of \$414.80 for fees incurred. The blended rate for all professionals was \$412.26.

48. Prior to filing this Twenty-Eighth Application, Windels Marx provided to SIPC and the Trustee (i) its August 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018 monthly statements setting forth the Firm's total fees for services rendered and expenses incurred on behalf of the consolidated estate for each month during the period August 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018 in the aggregate amount of \$2,176,367.29 and \$15,545.03, respectively, and (ii) a draft of this Twenty-Eighth Application. The Firm wrote off certain unbilled and billed time, and SIPC's staff made certain additional adjustments and suggestions, which were adopted by Windels Marx. After such write-offs and adjustments (and the 10% discount), Windels Marx's August 1, 2018 through November 20, 2018 monthly statements reflected total fees and expenses of \$1,813,429.50 and \$13,467.97, respectively.

49. Specifically, Windels Marx's total fees and expenses for this Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period were \$2,176,367.29 and \$15,545.03, respectively. In connection with preparing each of the four monthly statements and this Twenty-Eighth Application, Windels Marx voluntarily (i) wrote off unbilled time of \$109,883.40, (ii) wrote off billed time of \$51,562.22 and (iii) reduced its total remaining fees of

\$2,014,921.67 to \$1,813,429.50 by discounting the Firm's rates by 10% at SIPC's request (resulting in a voluntary reduction of \$362,937.79 or approximately 16.68% of Windels Marx's total fees). Windels Marx also agreed to write off expenses customarily charged to other clients in the amount of \$2,077.06, resulting in \$13,467.97 of remaining expenses. Such fees and expenses are reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in the Chapter 7 and 11 Cases and comparable bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy cases in a competitive national legal market. Total hours expended after all reductions equal 4,398.70.

50. There is no agreement or understanding among the Trustee, Windels Marx or any other person, other than members of Windels Marx, for sharing of compensation to be received for services rendered in this case.

51. This Twenty-Eighth Application has been prepared in accordance with the Amended Guidelines for Fees and Disbursements of Professionals in Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Cases adopted by the Court on February 5, 2013 (the "Local Guidelines"). Pursuant to the Local Guidelines, the certification of Howard L. Simon, Esq. regarding compliance with the same is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

52. Exhibit B annexed hereto provides a schedule of Windels Marx professionals and paraprofessionals who have provided services during the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period, the capacity in which each individual is employed by the Firm, the year in which each attorney was licensed to practice law in New York, the hourly billing rate charged by Windels Marx for services provided by each individual and the aggregate number of hours billed by each individual. The 10% discount (as described above) is already reflected in the total amount billed.

53. Exhibit C annexed hereto provides a schedule of the expenses for which reimbursement is requested. The requested expenses are customarily charged to and paid by Windels Marx's bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy clients. At SIPC's request, Windels Marx has not charged for local travel expenses and overtime meals, which categories of expenses are regularly charged to and paid by Windels Marx's clients.

54. Exhibit D annexed hereto is a summary by matter and task code of services performed by Windels Marx from August 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018.

55. To the extent that time or disbursement charges for services rendered or disbursements incurred relate to the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period, but were not classified or processed prior to the preparation of this Twenty-Eighth Application, Windels Marx reserves the right to request additional compensation for such services and reimbursement of such expenses in a future application.

VI. WINDELS MARX'S REQUEST FOR INTERIM COMPENSATION SHOULD BE GRANTED

56. Section 78eee(b)(5)(A) of SIPA provides in pertinent part that, upon appropriate application and after a hearing, "[t]he court shall grant reasonable compensation for services rendered and reimbursement for proper costs and expenses incurred ... by a trustee ..." Section 78eee(b)(5)(C) of SIPA specifically establishes SIPC's role in connection with applications for compensation and the consideration the Court should give to SIPC's recommendation concerning fees. That section provides as follows:

In any case in which such allowances are to be paid by SIPC without reasonable expectation of recoupment thereof as provided in this Chapter and there is no difference between the amounts requested and the amounts recommended by SIPC, the court shall award the amounts recommended by

SIPC. In determining the amount of allowances in all other cases, the court shall give due consideration to the nature, extent, and value of the services rendered, and shall place considerable reliance on the recommendations of SIPC.

57. To the extent the general estate is insufficient to pay such allowances as an expense of administration, section 78eee(b)(5)(E) of SIPA requires SIPC to advance the funds necessary to pay the compensation of Windels Marx (*see* section 78fff-3(b)(2) of SIPA).

58. Based on the allocation process set forth in SIPA, the Trustee has determined at this time that he has no reasonable expectation that the general estate will be sufficient to make any distribution to general creditors or pay any administrative expenses. That is, the Trustee believes that any assets allocated to the BLMIS general estate will be exhausted prior to his being able to reimburse SIPC fully. The Trustee has been advised by SIPC that it concurs with this belief of the Trustee. Accordingly, any fees and expenses allowed by this Court will be paid from advances by SIPC without any reasonable expectation by SIPC of recoupment thereof.

59. Therefore, with respect to this Twenty-Eighth Application, Windels Marx requests that consistent with section 78eee(b)(5)(C) of SIPA, the Court “award the amounts recommended by SIPC.” *See In re Bell & Beckwith*, 112 B.R. 876 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio 1990). Windels Marx expects that SIPC will file its recommendation to the Court with respect to this Twenty-Eighth Application prior to the hearing, currently scheduled for April 24, 2019.

60. Windels Marx submits that the request for interim allowance of compensation made through this Twenty-Eighth Application is reasonable and complies

with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code governing applications for compensation and reimbursement of expenses, pursuant to section 78eee(b)(5) of SIPA.

VII. CONCLUSION

61. Windels Marx respectfully submits that the services rendered during the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period merit the approval of the fees and disbursements requested herein, and respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order: (i) allowing and awarding \$1,813,429.50 (of which 80%, or \$1,450,743.60, is to be paid currently, and 20%, or \$362,685.90 is to be deferred through the conclusion of the liquidation proceeding or further order of the Court) as an interim payment for professional services rendered by Windels Marx during the Twenty-Eighth Compensation Period, and \$13,467.97 as reimbursement of the actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred by the Firm in connection with the rendition of such services, and (ii) granting such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York
March 15, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

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AFFIDAVIT OF HOWARD L. SIMON

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss:

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

HOWARD L. SIMON, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am an attorney admitted to the bar of this Court and a member of the firm of Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP (“Windels Marx”). I submit this affidavit in support of the Twenty-Eighth application (“Twenty-Eighth Application”) of Windels Marx, as special counsel to Irving H. Picard as trustee (the “Trustee”) for the substantively consolidated liquidation proceeding of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC (“BLMIS”) and to Alan Nisselson (the “Chapter 7 Trustee”) as trustee for the chapter 7 estate of Bernard L. Madoff (“Madoff”), pursuant to the Orders of this Court dated July 16, 2009 [Docket No. 327] and November 23, 2011 [Docket No. 4547], for allowance of interim compensation for services performed and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred during the period

commencing August 1, 2018 through and including November 30, 2018 (the “Compensation Period”) pursuant to section 78eee(b)(5) of the Securities Investor Protection Act (“SIPA”), 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(5), sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq. (the “Bankruptcy Code”), and Rule 2016(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”).

2. I submit this affidavit pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2016(a) in support of Windels Marx’s Application for allowance of compensation in the amount of \$1,813,429.50 for professional services rendered during the Compensation Period (of which 20%, or \$362,685.90 is to be deferred through the conclusion of the liquidation proceeding or further order of the Court) and reimbursement in the amount of \$13,467.97 for necessary expenses incurred during the Compensation Period.

3. As the supervising attorney in charge of the attorneys and paraprofessionals staffed on this matter, I am familiar with such services and with these proceedings. These statements are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based upon conversations I have conducted with attorneys at Windels Marx, the Trustee, and his counsel Baker & Hostetler, LLP, and upon records kept by Windels Marx in the normal course of business.

4. I hereby certify that (i) I have read the Twenty-Eighth Application and (ii) to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry, the Twenty-Eighth Application substantially complies with the guidelines for fee applications under Bankruptcy Rule 2016(a).

5. Windels Marx’s fees in this case reflect a 10% public interest discount from Windels Marx’s standard rates. Windels Marx has also voluntarily written-off an additional \$51,562.22 in fees and \$109,883.40 in unbilled time. These discounts and write-offs have resulted in a voluntary reduction of \$362,937.79. Windels Marx’s fees are reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in comparable

bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy cases in a competitive national legal market.

6. I hereby certify that members of SIPC have been provided with a copy of this Twenty-Eighth Application.

7. I hereby certify that members of SIPC have been provided with monthly statements of fees and disbursements accrued during the Compensation Period.

8. I hereby certify that (i) in providing reimbursable nonlegal services to the estate, Windels Marx does not make a profit on such services; and (ii) in seeking reimbursement for a service which Windels Marx justifiably purchased or contracted from a third party, Windels Marx requests reimbursement only for the amount billed to Windels Marx by the third-party vendors and paid by Windels Marx to such vendors.

9. Windels Marx has not made any previous application for allowance of fees for professional services rendered during the Compensation Period.

10. There is no agreement or understanding between the Trustee, Windels Marx and any other person, other than members of Windels Marx, for sharing of compensation to be perceived for services rendered in this case.

11. No agreement or understanding prohibited by 18 U.S.C. §155 has been made or shall be made by Windels Marx.

/s/ Howard L. Simon
Howard L. Simon

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 15 day of March 2019.

/s/ Maritza Segarra

Maritza Segarra

Notary Public, State of New York

No. 01SE4652865

Qualified in Westchester County

Commission Expires December 31, 2021

Exhibit B

SUMMARY OF TWENTY-EIGHTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF WINDELS
MARX LANE & MITTENDORF, LLP FOR SERVICES RENDERED FROM
AUGUST 1, 2018 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2018

Name	Year Admitted	Aug-Nov 2018 Standard Hourly Rate	Aug-Nov 2018 Total Hours Billed	Aug-Nov 2018 Total Compensation
Partners				
Howard L. Simon	1977	610.00	266.10	\$ 162,321.00
Kim M. Longo	2002	480.00	582.40	\$ 279,552.00
Antonio J. Casas	1992	480.00	9.60	\$ 4,608.00
Total Partners			858.10	\$446,481.00
Special Counsel				
John J. Tepedino	2005	390.00	513.30	\$ 200,187.00
Total Special Counsel			513.30	\$200,187.00
Associates				
Karen M. Cullen	1981	440.00	624.90	\$ 274,956.00
Carol LaFond	2000	410.00	587.60	\$ 240,916.00
Lindsay H. Sklar	2014	370.00	515.30	\$ 190,661.00
Alan D. Lawn	2009	365.00	634.60	\$ 231,629.00
Alex Jonatowski	2007	355.00	602.90	\$ 214,029.50
Total Associates			2,965.30	\$1,152,191.50
Paraprofessionals				
Matthew Corwin		235.00	62.00	\$ 14,570.00
Total Paraprofessionals			62.00	\$ 14,570.00

	Hours	Total Fees
Partners	858.10	\$446,481.00
Special Counsel	513.30	\$200,187.00
Associates	2,965.30	\$1,152,191.50
Paraprofessionals	62.00	\$14,570.00
Blended Attorney Rate	414.80	
Blended Rate All Professionals	412.26	
GRAND TOTAL	4,398.70	\$ 1,813,429.50

Exhibit C

SUMMARY OF TWENTY-EIGHTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF
WINDELS MARX LANE & MITTENDORF, LLP FOR EXPENSES
INCURRED FROM
AUGUST 1, 2018 THROUGH AND INCLUDING NOVEMBER 30, 2018

Code Description	Amount
Reproduction	\$ 262.30
Telephone - Reimbursements	\$ 21.80
Air Courier/Messenger	\$ 363.59
Online Research	\$ 12,519.58
Search Fees	\$ 287.90
Miscellaneous- Research Book	\$ 12.80
TOTAL	\$ 13,467.97

Exhibit D

COMPENSATION BY MATTER AND TASK CODE FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY WINDELS MARX
LANE & MITTENDORF, LLP FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHTH INTERIM PERIOD OF
AUGUST 1, 2018 THROUGH AND INCLUDING NOVEMBER 30, 2018

Matter Number	Matter Name	Task Code	Task Code Description	Hours	Amount
2	Attorneys for Trustee	004	Case Administration	8.90	\$ 3,198.50
		007	Fee Application	44.00	18,138.00
		041	Discovery, Document Review, Document Production	38.60	17,891.00
		L140	Document/File Management	7.00	2,110.50
7	Good Faith Avoidance Actions	010	Litigation	1,582.80	690,726.50
14	Zephyros	010	Litigation	49.40	24,961.00
15	Mistral	010	Litigation	52.40	21,130.00
17	Royal Bank of Canada	010	Litigation	460.50	176,291.50
20	Coordinated Cases	010	Litigation	87.70	40,036.50
23	Case-Wide Subsequent Transfer Litigation	010	Litigation	2,067.40	818,946.00
			TOTALS	4,398.70	\$ 1,813,429.50