# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

### D.N.J. LBR 2016-1, FEE APPLICATION COVER SHEET

IN RE: CCA Construction, Inc	APPL	APPLICANT: <u>Duane Morris LLP</u>						
CASE NO.: <u>24-22548 (CMG)</u>	CLIEN	CLIENT: Special Committee of Independent Directors						
CHAPTER: 11	CASE	CASES FILED: December 22, 2024						
COMPLETION <u>AND SIGNIN</u> PENALTY OF PERJURY, <u>PU</u>	RSUANT TO 28 U.S.C.	SECTION 174	<u>6.</u>	N UNDER				
	RETENTION ORDER	<u>(S) ATTACHE</u>	<u>,D</u>					
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TOTAL PREVIOUS FEE REQ TOTAL FEES ALLOWED TO TOTAL RETAINER (IF APPL TOTAL HOLDBACK (IF APPL TOTAL RECEIVED BY APPL	DATE: \$	ine 30, 2025)	EXPENSES \$ \$573.10 \$ \$0 \$ \$0 \$ \$0 \$ \$0 \$ \$0	- - - -				
NAME OF PROFESSIONAL & TITLE				FEE				
CCA Construction, Inc.								
1. Morris S. Bauer	1989(NY)/1990(NJ)	11.20	\$1,010.00	\$11,312.00				
TOTALS		11.20		\$11,312.00				
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SECTION II

#### SECTION II SUMMARY OF SERVICES

SE	RVICES RENDERED	HOURS	FEE
a) .	Asset Analysis and Recovery	4.50	\$4,545.00
	Identification and review of potential assets including		, ,
	causes of action and non-litigation recoveries.		
b)	Asset Disposition		
	Sales, leases, abandonment and related transaction work		
c)	Avoidance Action Litigation		
	Preference and fraudulent transfer litigation.		
d)	<b>Business Operations</b>		
	Issues related to debtor-in-possession operating in chapter 11 such		
	as employee, vendor, tenant issues and other similar problems.		
e)	Case Administration	0.30	\$303.00
	Coordination and compliance activities, including preparation of statement of		
	financial affairs, schedules, lists of contracts, United States Trustee interim		
	statements and operating reports; contacts with the United States Trustee;		
	general creditor inquiries.		
f)	Claims Administration and Objections		
	Specific claim inquiries; bar date motions; analyses, objections and allowance		
- \	of claims.		
g)	Employee Benefits/Pensions		
	Review issues such as severance, retention, 401K coverage and continuance of pension plan.		
h)	Fee/Employment Applications	2.70	\$2,727.00
11)	Preparations of employment and fee applications for self or others; motions to	2.70	\$2,727.00
	establish interim procedures.		
i)	Fee/Employment Objections		
1)	Review of an objection to the employment and fee applications of others.		
j)	Financing		
J)	Matters under 361, 363, and 364 including cash collateral and secured claims;		
	loan document analysis.		
k)	Litigation		
	Other than Avoidance Action Litigation (there should be a separate category		
	established for each major matter).		
1)	Meeting of Creditors		
	Preparing for and attending the conference of creditors, the 341(a) meeting and		
	other creditors' meetings.		
m)	Plan and Disclosure Statement	3.70	\$3,737.00
	Formulation, presentation and confirmation; compliance with the plan		
	confirmation order, related orders and rules; disbursement and case closing		
	activities, except those related to allowance and objections to allowance of		
	claims.		
n)	Doliaf from Stay Droggodings		
n)	Relief from Stay Proceedings  Matters relating to termination or continuation of automatic stay under 362		
	Matters relating to termination or continuation of automatic stay under 362.		

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o)	Accounting/Auditing		
	Activities related to maintaining and auditing books of account, preparation of		
	financial statements and account analysis.		
p)	<b>Business Analysis</b>		
	Preparation and review of company business plan; development and review of		
	strategies; preparation and review of cash flow forecasts and feasibility studies.		
q)	Corporate Finance		
	Review financial aspects of potential mergers, acquisitions and disposition of		
	company or subsidiaries.		
r)	Data Analysis		
	Management information systems review, installation and analysis,		
	construction, maintenance and reporting of significant case financial data, lease		
	rejection, claims, etc.		
s)	Litigation Consulting		
	Providing consulting and expert witness services related to various bankruptcy		
	matters such as insolvency, feasibility, avoiding actions; forensic accounting,		
	etc.		
t)	Reconstruction Accounting		
	Reconstructing books and records from past transactions and bringing		
	accounting current.		
u)	Tax Issues		
	Analysis of tax issues and preparation of state and federal tax returns.		
v)	Valuation		
	Appraise or review appraisals of assets.		
w)	Travel Time		\$
SE	RVICE TOTALS:	11.20	\$11,312.00

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#### SECTION III SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

DI	SBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT
a)	Filing Fees	
	Payable to Clerk of Court	
b)	Computer Assisted Legal Research	
	Westlaw, Lexis and description of manner calculated.	
c)	Pacer Fees	
	Payable to the Pacer Service Center for search and/or print	
d)	Fax	
	No. of Pages Rate per Page <u>1.00</u> (Max. \$1.00/pg.)	
e)	Case Specific Telephone/Conference Call Charges	
	Exclusive of overhead charges.	
f)	In-house Reproduction Services	
	Exclusive of overhead charges.	
g)	Outside Reproduction Services	
	Including scanning services.	
h)	Other Research	
	Title searches, UCC searches, Asset searches, Accurint.	
i)	Court Reporting	
	Transcripts.	
j)	Travel	\$79.20
	Mileage, tolls, airfare, parking.	
k)	Courier & Express Carries	
	Overnight and personal delivery.	
1)	Postage & Overnight Mail	
m)	Other (specify)	
	SBURSEMENTS TOTAL	\$79.20

I certify under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct.

Date: <u>July 21, 2025</u>	/s/ Morris S. Bauer
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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Caption in Compliance with D.N.J. LBR 9004-1(b)

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In Re:

Chapter 11

CCA Construction, Inc.,

Case No. 24-22548

Debtor.1

Judge: Hon. Christine M. Gravelle

# MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF DUANE MORRIS LLP, COUNSEL TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2025 TO JUNE 30, 2025

TO: THE HONORABLE CHRISTINE M. GRAVELLE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

The Monthly Fee Statement of Duane Morris LLP ("<u>DM</u>" or "<u>Your Applicant</u>") respectfully shows unto Your Honor and alleges:

- 1. Your Applicants are attorneys of the State of New Jersey, duly admitted to practice before this Honorable Court.
- 2. Your Applicants further show that on December 22, 2024, CCA Construction, Inc. (the "Debtor" or "CCA") filed a voluntary petition for reorganization pursuant to chapter 11 of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last four digits of CCA's federal tax identification number are 4862. CCA's service address for the purpose of this chapter 11 case is 445 South Street, Suite 310, Morristown, NJ 07960.

United States Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>Chapter 11 Case</u>"), and at that time was continued in possession of its assets.

- 3. On May 28, 2025, an Order was entered in the Chapter 11 Case authorizing the retention of DM as Counsel to the Special Committee of Independent Directors. See Docket No. 343. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a copy of the retention order.
- 4. On February 16, 2025, the Administrative Fee Order Establishing Procedures for the Allowance and Payment of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals Retained by Order of this Court (the "Interim Compensation Order") was entered in the Chapter 11 Case, which order sets for the Compensation Procedure for, inter alia. Professional to submit Monthly Fee Statements such that Professionals may be paid 80% of their monthly fees and 100% of their expenses. See Docket No. 178.
- 5. The services rendered by DM on behalf of the Special Committee of Independent Directors in conjunction with the Chapter 11 Case between June 1, 2025 and June 30, 2025, included the following, *inter alia*:
  - a) Numerous conversations and correspondence with client regarding ongoing investigation;
  - b) Correspondence with BML representatives, coordinate meeting with BML and attendance at meeting;
  - c) Review correspondence and proposed stipulation relating to Examiner request to increase budget amount;
  - d) Weekly conversations with Cole Schotz representatives regarding on-going investigation; and
  - e) Review documents pertinent to investigation.
- 6. Your Applicants show that annexed hereto as Exhibit "B" is a computer printout itemizing all services performed by members and associates of DM by task codes in accordance

with the United States Trustee guidelines for the period commencing June 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025. As shown on said exhibit, DM devoted in excess of 11.20 hours of services having a value of \$11,312.00 at this firm's then-existing billing rates. The names of the attorneys and the paralegals involved in this matter, their hourly billing rates, the time spend by each of them and the total fees resulting therefrom are as follows:

NAME OF PROFESSIONAL & TITLE	YEAR ADMITTED (OR YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE)	HOURS	RATE	FEE
CCA Construction, Inc.				
1. Morris S. Bauer	1989(NY)/1990(NJ)	11.20	\$1,010.00	\$11,312.00
TOTALS		11.20		\$11,312.00

- 7. Your Applicants further show that they have incurred out-of-pocket expenses in the sum of \$79.20, which are specifically set forth in the Fee Application Cover Sheet submitted simultaneously herewith.
- 8. Your Applicants further show that on June 24, 2025, Your Applicants filed their First Monthly Fee Statement requesting fees in the amount of \$43,793.60 (80% of \$54,742.00) and reimbursement of expenses in the amount of \$573.10. See Docket No. 385. No objections were filed to the First Monthly Fee Statement. See Docket No. 403. As of this date, Your Applicants have not received payment.
- 9. Your Applicants certify that the Special Committee of Independent Directors will have received and will have ample opportunity to review the within application for compensation and reimbursement of expenses.

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WHEREFORE, subject to no objections being interposed by the objection deadline, Your Applicants will respectfully request that the Special Committee of Independent Directors remit thereto 80% of the requested fees and 100% of their out-of-pocket expenses in the amounts of \$9,049.60 and \$79.20, respectively, in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.

DUANE MORRIS LLP. Attorneys for Special Committee of Independent Directors

Dated: July 21, 2025 By: /s/ Morris S. Bauer

MORRIS S. BAUER

## **EXHIBIT A**

**Duane Morris Retention Order** 

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Caption in Compliance with D.N.J. LBR 9004-1(b)

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**Independent Directors** 

In Re:

CCA Construction, Inc.,

Debtor.1

Order Filed on May 28, 2025 by Clerk U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of New Jersey

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-22548

Judge: Hon. Christine M. Gravelle

#### ORDER AUTHORIZING RETENTION OF DUANE MORRIS LLP AS ATTORNEYS FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS EFFECTIVE APRIL 9, 2025

The relief set forth on the following page, numbered two (2), is hereby **ORDERED**.

**DATED: May 28, 2025** 

Honorable Christine M. Gravelle, Chief Judge United States Bankruptcy Judge

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Debtor: CCA Construction, Inc. Case No. 24-22548 (CMG)

Caption of Order: Order Authorizing Retention of Duane Morris LLP as Attorneys for the Special

Committee of Independent Directors Effective April 9, 2025

Upon the applicant's request for authorization to retain Duane Morris LLP ("DM") as attorneys for the committee of independent directors of the board of CCA Construction, Inc. (the "Debtor"), it is hereby ORDERED:

1. The applicant is authorized to retain DM with respect to all matters for which the Special Committee has been delegated authority, including with respect to the Special Committee's oversight of the investigation of potential claims or causes of action of the Debtor, if any, against third parties and related matters in the Chapter 11 Case as the representation proceeds (the "Matter"), at the direction of and with the approval of the Special Committee. DM shall use its best efforts to avoid duplication of services provided by any of the other professionals retained in the Chapter 11 Case.

The professional's address is:

Duane Morris LLP

200 Campus Drive, Suite 300 Florham Park, NJ 07932-1007

Attn: Morris S. Bauer

- 2. Compensation will be paid by the Debtor in such amounts as may be allowed by the Court on proper application(s).
- 3. The effective date of retention is the April 9, 2025.

## **EXHIBIT B**

## **Detailed Time Records**

			Work	Task	
Timekeeper Name	Hours	Fees	Date	Code	Narrative
CASE ADMINISTRATION:					
CASE ADMINISTRATION.					
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/23/25	B110	REVIEW EMAILS ON EXAMINER REQUEST TO INCREASE BUDGET
					REVIEW FOLLOW UP EMAILS WITH D. HARRIS ON VARIOUS ITEMS, REVIEW CLIENT EMAILS, SEND EMAIL
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/30/25	B110	RESPONSE
CASE ADMINISTRATION TOTAL:	0.30	303.00			
ASSET ANALYSIS AND RECOVERY:					
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.50	505.00	6/3/25	B120	ATTEND CONFERENCE CALL WITH COLE RE:
D. IOZI, IIIO/IIIO G.	0.00	000.00	0/0/20	5120	REVIEW MINUTES, COMMENCE REVIEW OF INTERVIEW
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.40	404.00	6/3/25	B120	INFO, COORDINATE RESCHEDULING CONFERENCE CALL
					REVIEW EMAIL FROM B. THEISEN RE: LETTER ON BML
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/5/25	B120	INVESTIGATION ISSUES
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.70	707.00	6/10/25	B120	PREPARE FOR CONFERENCE CALL AND ATTEND COLE CONFERENCE CALL; REVIEW SUBSEQUENT EMAILS
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/12/25	B120	REVIEW INFORMATION ON CERTAIN LEGAL ISSUES
DALLED MODBIG G	0.00	202.22	0/40/05	D400	DEVIEW FMAILS TO DESCRIPTIVE WEEK VOAL
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/16/25	B120	REVIEW EMAILS TO RESCHEDULE WEEKLY CALL
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.60	606.00	6/17/25	B120	REVIEW MEETING MINUTES (0.1); ATTEND WEEKLY COLE CONFERENCE CALL (0.5)
					CONFERENCE CALL WITH DEBEVOISE, COLE, BDO AND
BAUER, MORRIS S.	1.10	1,111.00	6/20/25	B120	CLIENT RE: ADDRESSING ITEMS DISCUSSED WITH BML
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/23/25	B120	REVIEW EMAILS AND SEND EMAILS TO RESCHEDULE CALL
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BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/24/25	B120	PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF DRAFT DOCUMENT
					TELEPHONE CALL TO E. ABRAMS RE: STATUS,
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.30	303.00	6/26/25	B120	INVESTIGATION

ASSET ANALYSIS AND RECOVERY TOTAL:	4.50	4,545.00			
FEE/EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS:					
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/2/25	B160	REVIEW ENTERED EXAMINER SCOPE ORDER AND SEND EMAIL TO CLIENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/12/25	B160	REVIEW EMAIL FROM D. HARRIS RE: COLE SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/13/25	B160	REVIEW EMAILS ON REQUEST BY EXAMINER TO INCREASE BUDGET AND SEND EMAIL TO CLIENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.50	505.00	6/16/25	B160	PARTICIPATE IN CALL TO DISCUSS EXAMINER REQUEST TO INCREASE BUDGET
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.70	707.00	6/23/25	B160	PREPARE IN DRAFT DM MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT FOR APRIL AND MAY 2025
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/24/25	B160	COORDINATE FILING AND SERVICE OF MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/25/25	B160	REVIEW EMAIL FROM D. HARRIS RE: PROPOSED NOTICE REGARDING EXAMINER BUDGET; SEND EMAIL TO CLIENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.50	505.00	6/27/25	B160	EXAMINER BUDGET AND TELEPHONE CALL TO/FROM D. HARRIS (0.2); SEND EMAIL TO/FROM CLIENT (0.1); SEND EMAIL TO D. HARRIS (0.2) RE: COMMENT AND
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.30	303.00	6/30/25	B160	REVIEW EMAIL FROM D. HARRIS RE: REVISED STIPULATION AND PROPOSED APPLICATION (0.2); SEND EMAIL TO D. HARRIS (0.1) RE: COMMENTS
FEE/EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS TOTAL:	2.70	2,727.00			
PLAN/DISCLOSURE STATEMENT:					
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/4/25	B320	REVIEW EMAIL FROM B. THEISEN RE: REQUEST CONFERENCE CALL ON PLAN AND FORWARD TO CLIENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/5/25	B320	REVIEW AND CORRESPOND WITH CLIENT RE: POSSIBLE MEETING WITH BML'S COUNSEL ON PLAN
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.30	303.00	6/5/25	B320	REVIEW EMAILS AND SEND EMAIL TO BML ATTYS TO COORDINATE MEETING TO DISCUSS PLAN
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/6/25	B320	SEND EMAIL TO B. THEISEN RE: AVAILABLE DATE FOR MEETING; SEND EMAIL TO CLIENT
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.30	303.00	6/9/25	B320	SEND EMAILS TO/REVIEW EMAILS FROM VARIOUS PARTIES RE: SCHEDULING MEETING TO DISCUSS PLAN

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BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.20	202.00	6/16/25	B320	COORDINATE MEETING FOR PLAN DISCUSSIONS WITH BML
BAUER, MORRIS S.	1.70	1,717.00	6/17/25	B320	UPCOMING MEETING (0.1); REVIEW EMAILS FROM/SEND EMAILS TO COLE (0.1) RE: ATTENDEES; TELEPHONE CALL FROM M. SIROTA (0.2) RE:
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.10	101.00	6/18/25	B320	REVIEW EMAILS FROM VARIOUS PERSONS TO SCHEDULE CONFERENCE CALL; PROVIDE EMAIL REPLY ON AVAILABILITY
BAUER, MORRIS S.	0.60	606.00	6/24/25	B320	WEEKLY CALL WITH COLE TEAM
PLAN/DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TOTAL:	3.70	3,737.00			
	11.20	11,312.00			

Costs	Cost Code	Cost Code Description
79.2	0006-H	TRAVEL - LOCAL
0	0038-S	PACER FEDERAL DOCKET COSTS
0	0036-3	PAGER FEDERAL DOCKET COSTS
0	0038-S	PACER FEDERAL DOCKET COSTS
0	0038-S	PACER FEDERAL DOCKET COSTS
79.2		