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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
BANKRUPTCY DIVISION**

Case 1:24-bk-00002

In re

IMPERIAL PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL
(CNMI), LLC,

Debtor and
Debtor-in-Possession.

**ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTOR TO
EMPLOY CHOI & ITO, ATTORNEYS AT
LAW, AND MCDONALD LAW OFFICE AS
CO-COUNSEL ON A FINAL BASIS**

The *Application to Employ Choi & Ito, Attorneys at Law and McDonald Law Office as Co-Counsel* (the “Application,” ECF No. 10),¹ filed by IMPERIAL PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL (CNMI), LLC, debtor and debtor-in-possession (the “Debtor”) on April 23, 2024, came on for a Final hearing before the Honorable Ramona V. Manglona, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the United States District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands (the “Court”) on June 21, 2024. During the final hearing on this matter, the Court GRANTED the application. (ECF No. 134.)

Appearances are as noted on the record.

¹ Capitalized terms not herein defined shall have the meaning set forth in the Application.




1 Having reviewed the Application and all papers filed in support thereof, the Declaration of
2 Howyo Chi in Support of “First Day” Motions (ECF No. 14), the position statement filed by the
3 Office of the U.S. Trustee (ECF No. 19), the opposition (the “Gray Opposition”) filed by Creditor
4 Joshua Gray (ECF No. 30), the joinder to the Gray Opposition filed by Dotts Law Office (ECF No.
5 31) and having heard the statements of counsel regarding the relief requested in the Application at
6 the hearing, the Court finding that (a) it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157
7 and 1334, (b) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2), and (c) notice of the hearing
8 on the Application was sufficient, and good cause appearing therefore,

9 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- 10 1. The Application is granted on a final basis.
- 11 2. The Debtor is hereby authorized, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 327(a) and Rules 2014 and
12 6003 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, to employ Choi & Ito, Attorneys at Law and
13 McDonald Law Office as co-counsel for the Debtor, effective as of April 19, 2024 (the petition date).

14 SO ORDERED this 28th day of June 2024.

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19 RAMONA V. MANGLONA
20 Chief Judge

21 Approved as to form:

22 /s/ Neil J. Verbrugge
23 Curtis B. Ching, Esq.
24 Neil J. Verbrugge, Esq.

Counsel for Office of the U.S. Trustee