

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:) Chapter 11
)
NVN Liquidation, Inc., *et al.*,) Case No. 23-10937 (LSS)
f/k/a NOVAN, INC.,¹)
) (Jointly Administered)
Debtors.)
) **Obj. Deadline: June 19, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. (ET)**
) **Hearing Date: June 26, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. (ET)**
)

**SUMMARY SHEET TO THE FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF
KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS LLC, AS ADMINISTRATIVE
ADVISOR TO THE DEBTORS, FOR THE PERIOD FROM
JULY 17, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2024**

General Information

Name of Applicant: Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC
Authorized to Provide Services to: The above-captioned debtors
Petition Date: July 17, 2023
Date of Retention Order: September 15, 2023, effective as of July 17, 2023
Type of Application: Final

Summary of Fees and Expenses Sought in the Fee Application

Period for Which Compensation and Reimbursement is Sought in the Fee Application: July 17, 2023 through April 30, 2024
Amount of Compensation Sought as Actual, Reasonable, and Necessary for the Fee Period: \$58,374.89
Amount of Expense Reimbursement Sought as Actual, Reasonable, and Necessary for the Fee Period: \$0.00
Total Compensation and Expense Reimbursement Request for the Fee Period: \$58,374.89

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digitals of the Debtors' federal tax identification number (if applicable), are: NVN Liquidation, Inc., (f/k/a Novan, Inc.) (7682) and EPI Health, LLC (9118). The corporate headquarters and the mailing address for the Debtors is P.O. Box 64, Pittsboro, NC 27312.



AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED

Type of Application			Requested		Approved by Court to Date		
			<i>Fees</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Fees</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	
Interim	11/4/2023; 421	7/17/2023 – 9/30/2023	\$23,822.50	\$0.00	\$23,822.50	\$0.00	\$23,822.50
Monthly	11/30/2023; 444	10/1/2023 – 10/31/2023	\$2,352.80 (80% of \$2,941.00)	\$0.00	\$2,352.80 (80% of \$2,941.00)	\$0.00	\$2,352.80
Monthly	1/3/2024; 504	11/1/2023 – 11/20/2023	\$1,232.40 (80% of \$1,540.50)	\$0.00	\$1,232.40 (80% of \$1,540.50)	\$0.00	\$1,232.40
Monthly	1/31/2024; 576	12/1/2023 – 12/31/2023	\$17,028.00 (80% of \$21,285.00)	\$0.00	\$17,028.00 (80% of \$21,285.00)	\$0.00	\$17,028.00
Monthly	2/27/2024; 617	1/1/2024 – 1/31/2024	\$7,028.71 (80% of \$8,785.89)	\$0.00	\$7,028.71 (80% of \$8,785.89)	\$0.00	\$7,028.71

COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY

Project Category	Total Hours	Total Fees
Schedules and Statements of Financial Affairs	145.3	\$26,763.50
Solicitation	165.2	\$31,611.39
Totals	310.5	\$58,374.89

COMPENSATION BY INDIVIDUAL

Initials	Name	Position	Hours	Rate	Total
AGN	Adam Gorman	Solicitation Consultant	9.5	\$ 195.00	\$ 1,852.50
DIM	Diana Mauricio	Consultant	0.8	\$ 192.62	\$ 154.10
DPM	Dan McSwigan	Solicitation Consultant	72.3	\$ 175.00	\$ 12,652.50
DSC	Darlene Calderon	Solicitation Consultant	89.2	\$ 198.80	\$ 17,733.28
ECO	Emily Cooper	Solicitation Consultant	2.1	\$ 175.00	\$ 367.50
GHA	Gerardo Huerta	Consultant	0.9	\$ 192.62	\$ 173.35
JCN	Jacqueline Conklin	Solicitation Consultant	1.9	\$ 201.25	\$ 382.37
JEE	James Lee	Solicitation Consultant	0.8	\$ 195.00	\$ 156.00
JNG	Jennifer Ngo	Solicitation Consultant	3.4	\$ 211.34	\$ 718.57
JTN	Jonathan Thomson	Solicitation Consultant	14.9	\$ 175.00	\$ 2,607.50
KVR	Kevin Martin	Solicitation Consultant	10.6	\$ 214.59	\$ 2,274.67
LVR	Leanne Rehder	Solicitation Consultant	1.2	\$ 195.00	\$ 234.00
MCL	Mikayla Cleary	Consultant	0.9	\$ 192.62	\$ 173.36
SMZ	Stanley Martinez	Solicitation Consultant	67.4	\$ 180.22	\$ 12,146.73
SUS	Sumesh Srivastava	Senior Consultant	1.5	\$ 198.37	\$ 297.55
SZA	Sonia Zapien	Consultant	0.7	\$ 192.62	\$ 134.83
TPE	Thomas Peterson	Consultant	0.8	\$ 192.62	\$ 154.08
WRG	William Gruber	Solicitation Consultant	31.6	\$ 195.00	\$ 6,162.00
	TOTALS		310.5		\$58,374.89

Total Incurred:	\$58,374.89
Blended Rate:	\$188.00

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:)	
)	Chapter 11
NVN Liquidation, Inc., <i>et al.</i> , f/k/a NOVAN, INC., ¹)	Case No. 23-10937 (LSS)
)	
Debtors.)	(Jointly Administered)
)	
)	<u>Obj. Deadline:</u> June 19, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. (ET)
)	<u>Hearing Date:</u> June 26, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. (ET)
)	

**FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF KURTZMAN CARSON
CONSULTANTS LLC, AS ADMINISTRATIVE
ADVISOR TO THE DEBTORS, FOR THE PERIOD FROM
JULY 17, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2024**

Pursuant to Sections 330 and 331 of Title 11 of the United States Code, §§ 101-1532 (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), Rule 2016-2 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “Local Rules”), and the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expense of Professionals* dated August 21, 2023 [Docket No. 218] (the “Interim Compensation Order”), Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (“KCC”), administrative advisor for the above-captioned debtors (the “Debtors”), hereby submits its final fee application (this “Fee Application”) for allowance of compensation and authorization of payment for professional services provided in the amount of \$58,374.89 for the period from July 17, 2023 through and including April 30, 2024 (the “Fee Period”). In support of this Fee Application, KCC represents as follows:

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digitals of the Debtors’ federal tax identification number (if applicable), are: NVN Liquidation, Inc., (f/k/a Novan, Inc.) (7682) and EPI Health, LLC (9118). The corporate headquarters and the mailing address for the Debtors is P.O. Box 64, Pittsboro, NC 27312.

JURISDICTION

1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “Court”) has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2), and KCC confirms its consent pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(f) to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Fee Application to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

2. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

3. The statutory bases for the relief requested herein are section 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2016, and Local Rules 2016-1 and 2016-2.

BACKGROUND

4. On July 17, 2023 (the “Petition Date”), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

5. On the Petition Date, the Debtors filed an application to employ KCC as its claims and noticing agent (in such capacity, the “Claims and Noticing Agent”) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and Local Rule 2002-1(f) [Docket No. 5] (the “Section 156(c) Application”), which was approved by the Court on July 19, 2023 [Docket No. 35] (the “Section 156(c) Order”).

6. Given that the administration of these chapter 11 cases would require KCC to perform duties outside the scope of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), the Debtors supplemented the Section 156(c) Application with an application to retain KCC to perform certain services as the Debtors’ administrative advisor in these chapter 11 cases (in such capacity, the “Administrative Advisor”). Accordingly, on August 29, 2023 the Debtors filed the *Application of Debtors for an Order*

Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC as Administrative Advisor Effective as of the Petition Date [Docket No. 238]. On September 15, 2023, the Court entered the *Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC as Administrative Advisor Effective as of the Petition Date* [Docket No. 296] (the “Retention Order”). The Retention Order authorized the Debtors to compensate KCC in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any orders entered in these cases governing professional compensation and reimbursement for services rendered and charges and disbursements incurred.

7. The Retention Order authorizes KCC to provide the following services:
 - (a) Assist with the preparation of the Debtors’ schedules of assets and liabilities, and statements of financial affairs and gather data in conjunction therewith; generating, providing and assisting with claims objections, exhibits, claims reconciliation and related matters;
 - (b) Assist with, among other things, solicitation, balloting and tabulation of votes, and preparation of any related reports, as required in support of confirmation of any chapter 11 plan, and in connection with such services, process requests for documents from parties in interest, including, if applicable, brokerage firms, bank back-offices and institutional holders;
 - (c) Prepare an official ballot certification and, if necessary, testify in support of the ballot tabulation results for any chapter 11 plan;
 - (d) Provide a confidential data room, if requested;
 - (e) Manage and coordinate any distributions pursuant to any chapter 11 plan; and
 - (f) Provide such other processing, solicitation, balloting and other administrative services described in the Services Agreement, but not included in the Section 156(c) Order (as defined below), 2 as may be requested from time to time by the Debtors, the Court or the Office of the Clerk of the Court (the “Clerk”).

8. The amounts sought in this Application do not include any fees that may be payable by the Debtors for services provided by KCC under the Section 156(c) Order. Procedures for the

payment of such fees and disbursements are separately addressed in the Section 156(c) Order. Additionally, no fees and disbursements for services provided to the Debtors under the Retention Order are or will be sought to be paid under the Section 156(c) Order.

9. All services for which compensation is requested by KCC were performed on behalf of the Debtors.

SUMMARY AND VALUATION OF SERVICES

10. The amount of time spent by each employee providing services to the Debtors for the Fee Period is detailed in line item listings of time entries and descriptive detail set forth herein and in the invoices attached to its monthly fee applications. These are KCC's normal hourly rates of compensation for work of this character. The reasonable value of the services rendered by KCC for the Fee Period as Administrative Advisor to the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases is \$58,374.89. KCC is not seeking reimbursement for any expenses in this Application.

11. During the Fee Period, KCC's professionals spent 145.3 hours assisting the Debtors and their professionals with the preparation of the Schedules of Assets and Liabilities and Statements of Financial Affairs (the "Schedules and Statements") and the amended Schedules and Statements. This included frequent communication with the Debtors and their professionals regarding data, timelines, preparation status, and updates. Additionally, KCC gathered, organized, and tracked the Schedule and Statement data and performed quality assurance related thereto.

12. During the Fee Period, KCC's professionals additionally spent 165.2 hours assisting the Debtors and their professionals with the Solicitation. This included reviewing solicitation documents and procedures, planning for the solicitation, and communicating with the Debtors' professionals regarding the solicitation and timing. KCC professionals also prepared and updated the voting amount spreadsheet, set up KCC systems for solicitation, and communicated

with third parties regarding solicitation inquiries. Additionally, KCC professionals reviewed ballots, prepared ballot summaries, drafted the voting declaration, and prepared for and attended the confirmation hearing.

13. KCC believes that the time entries included in its monthly fee statements are in compliance with the requirements of Local Rule 2016-2.

14. In accordance with the factors enumerated in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, KCC submits that the amount requested is fair and reasonable given (a) the complexity of these cases, (b) the time expended, (c) the nature and extent of services rendered, (d) the value of such services, and (e) the costs of comparable services other than in a case under this title.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, KCC respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order: (i) granting the Fee Application and allowing final compensation in the amount of \$58,374.89 for professional services; (ii) directing payment by the Debtors of any amounts outstanding; and (iii) granting such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: May 30, 2024
El Segundo, California

/s/ Sarah Harbuck

KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS LLC
Sarah Harbuck
Drake D. Foster
222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, 3rd Floor
El Segundo, California 90245
Tel: 310.751.1539

Administrative Advisor to the Debtors

CERTIFICATION

I, Sarah Harbuck, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, state as follows:

- a) I am the Assistant General Counsel of the applicant firm, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC.
- b) I am familiar with the work performed by Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC on behalf of the Debtors.
- c) I have reviewed the foregoing Fee Application and the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Moreover, I have reviewed Local Rule 2016-2, and submit that the Fee Application substantially complies with such order.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Dated: May 30, 2024
El Segundo, California

/s/ Sarah Harbuck

Sarah Harbuck