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IT IS ORDERED as set forth below:

Date: September 8, 2025



Sage M. Sigler
U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

In re:

WELLMADE FLOOR COVERINGS INTERNATIONAL, INC., et al., ¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 25-58764

(Jointly Administered)

Related to Docket No. 103

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS, PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a) AND 363(b) TO (I) RETAIN AND EMPLOY AURORA MANAGEMENT PARTNERS INC. TO PROVIDE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL; AND (II) DESIGNATE DAVID M. BAKER AS CHIEF RESTRUCTURING OFFICER FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION, EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE, SUBJECT TO OBJECTION

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"),

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Wellmade Industries MFR. N.A LLC (1058) and Wellmade Floor Coverings International, Inc. (8425). The mailing address for the Debtors for purposes of these chapter 11 cases is: 1 Wellmade Drive, Cartersville, GA 30121.



pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b) of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101, et seq. (the "Bankruptcy Code"), filed the application (the "Application")² for entry of an order (this "Order") authorizing the Debtors to: (i) retain and employ Aurora Management Partners Inc. ("Aurora") to provide certain Additional Personnel to the Debtors; and (ii) designate David M. Baker as the Chief Restructuring Officer ("CRO") for the Debtors, effective as of the Petition Date, in accordance with the terms and conditions of that certain engagement letter between the Debtors and Aurora dated July 3, 2025 (the "Engagement Letter"). No hearing is necessary on the Application absent the filing of an objection to it. Pursuant to a certificate of service filed with or attached to the Application, the Application has been served on the United States Trustee as required by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2014, the parties included on the Debtors' consolidated list of thirty (30) largest unsecured creditors, counsel to the Debtors' prepetition and postpetition lenders, proposed counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, and any party that has requested notice pursuant to Rule 2002 of the Bankruptcy Rules. No further notice of the Application is necessary.

The Application and accompanying Declaration of David M. Baker in Support of the Application of the Debtors Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a) and 363(b) to (I) Retain Aurora Management Partners Inc. to Provide Certain Additional Personnel and (II) Designate David M. Baker as Chief Restructuring Officer for the Debtors and Debtors In Possession, Effective as of the Petition Date (the "Baker Declaration") demonstrate preliminarily that (a) Aurora does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtors' estates and (b) Aurora is a "disinterested person" as defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, it is

HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

- 1. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 327 and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2014, the Application is GRANTED subject to objection as provided for herein.
- 2. The terms of the Engagement Letter, including, without limitation, the compensation provisions and the indemnification provisions, are reasonable terms and conditions of employment and are hereby approved.
- 3. Pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors are authorized to employ and retain Aurora to provide Additional Personnel and to designate David M. Baker as the Debtors' Chief Restructuring Officer, effective to the Petition Date, on the terms set forth in the Application and the Engagement Letter, subject to the following terms, which apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary:
 - a. Aurora and its affiliates shall not act in any other capacity (for example, and without limitation, as a claims agent/claims administrator, or investor/acquirer) in connection with the above-captioned cases other than as Chief Restructuring Officer and the corresponding Additional Personnel.
 - b. In the event the Debtors seek to have Aurora personnel assume executive officer positions that are different than the positions disclosed in the Application, or to materially change the terms of the engagement by either (i) modifying the functions of personnel, (ii) adding new executive officers, or (iii) altering or expanding the scope of the engagement, a motion to modify the retention shall be filed.
 - c. On a monthly basis, Aurora shall file with the Court, and provide notice to the United States Trustee and any official committees, a report of staffing on the engagement for the previous month. Such report shall include the names and functions filled of the individuals assigned. All staffing shall be subject to review by the Court in the event an objection is filed.
 - d. No principal, employee or independent contractor of Aurora and its affiliates shall serve as a director of any of the above-captioned Debtors during the pendency of the above-captioned cases.
 - e. Aurora shall file with the Court, and provide notice to the U.S. Trustee and all official committees, reports of compensation earned and expenses incurred on a quarterly basis. Such reports shall contain summary charts that describe the services provided, identify the compensation earned by each

- executive officer and staff employee provided, and itemize the expenses incurred. All compensation shall be subject to review by the Court in the event an objection is filed.
- f. With respect to payment of any fees and expenses, Aurora shall abide by the provisions set forth in Section J of the Complex Case Procedures and shall receive monthly payments from the Debtors consistent with Section J; provided, however, Aurora shall not be required to submit fee applications pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. Instead, Aurora's fees shall be reviewed at the conclusion of the case on a reasonableness standard.
- g. Success fees, transaction fees, or other back-end fees shall be approved by the Court at the conclusion of the case on a reasonableness standard and are not being pre-approved by entry of this Order. No success fee, transaction fee, or back-end fee shall be sought upon conversion of the Chapter 11 Cases, dismissal of the Chapter 11 Cases for cause, or appointment of a trustee.
- h. Aurora shall disclose any and all facts that may have a bearing on whether Aurora, its affiliates, and/or any individuals working on the engagement have any interest materially adverse to the interest of the Debtors' estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship to, connection with, or interest in, the Debtors, or for any other reason. The obligation to disclose identified in this subparagraph is a continuing obligation.
- i. The Debtors are permitted to indemnify those persons serving as executive officers on the same terms as provided to the Debtors' other officers and directors under the corporate bylaws and applicable state law.
- 4. If there is any inconsistency between the terms of the Application, the Engagement Letter, the Baker Declaration, or this Order, this Order shall govern.
- 5. Any party in interest shall have twenty-one (21) days from the service of this Order to file an objection to the Application and/or the relief provided in this Order.
- 6. If an objection is timely filed, counsel for the Debtors will set the Application and all such objections for hearing pursuant to the Court's Open Calendar Procedures.
- 7. If no objection to this Order is timely filed, this Order shall be a final Order approving the Application.

- 8. The Debtors and Aurora are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.
- 9. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.
- 10. Proposed counsel for the Debtors, through Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC d/b/a Verita Global ("Verita") shall, within three (3) days of the entry of this Order, cause a copy of this Order to be served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on all parties served with the Application, and Verita shall file promptly thereafter a certificate of service confirming such service.

END OF ORDER

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