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10 **UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**

11 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES DIVISION**

12 In re

13 CIS International Holdings (N.A.)
Corporation,

14 Debtor.

Case No. 2:25-bk-18374-BR

Chapter 7

Hon. Barry Russell

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON FIRST AND
FINAL APPLICATION FOR
COMPENSATION AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES
BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 22, 2025 AND
OCTOBER 23, 2026 BY ERVIN COHEN &
JESSUP LLP AS GENERAL
BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL TO CHAPTER
11 DEBTOR AND DEBTOR-IN-
POSSESSION**

[No hearing required pursuant to LBR 9013-
1(o)]

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23 **TO THE HONORABLE BARRY RUSSELL, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY**
24 **JUDGE, THE CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEE, THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES**
25 **TRUSTEE, ALL CREDITORS, AND ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST:**

26 **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on general bankruptcy counsel to CIS International
27 Holdings (N.A.) Corporation, dba E Tropical Fish, the former chapter 11 debtor and debtor-in-
28 possession (the “**Debtor**”), will and hereby does seek approval of its *First and Final Application*

1 *for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses by Ervin Cohen & Jessup LLP as General*
2 *Bankruptcy Counsel to Chapter 11 Debtor and Debtor-in-Possession* (the “**Application**”), filed
3 concurrently herewith.

4 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that ECJ was employed as the Debtor’s general
5 bankruptcy counsel pursuant to the Court’s *Order Approving Application to Employ Ervin Cohen*
6 *& Jessup LLP as General Bankruptcy Counsel* entered on December 3, 2025 [Dkt. No. 132]. The
7 Debtor filed its chapter 11 petition on September 22, 2025 [Dkt. No. 1], and the case was converted
8 to chapter 7 on October 22, 2025 [Dkt. No. 80]. This is ECJ’s first and final fee application.

9 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Application covers the period from
10 September 22, 2025 through October 23, 2026 (the “**Subject Period**”). Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§
11 330, 503(b)(2), and 507(a)(2), Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2016, and Local Bankruptcy
12 Rule (“**LBR**”) 2016-1, ECJ requests that the Court allow, on a final basis, fees of \$167,091.50 and
13 expenses of \$1,665.74, for a total of \$168,757.24. Of the fees requested, \$114,768.00 was incurred
14 during the chapter 11 case, and \$52,323.50 was incurred after conversion of the case to chapter 7.
15 Of the expenses requested, \$1,355.69 was incurred during the chapter 11 case and \$310.05 was
16 incurred after conversion to chapter 7.

17 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that before the petition date, ECJ received a
18 retainer of \$50,000.00, of which ECJ has applied \$36,588.50 to fees. By the Application, ECJ
19 further requests that the Court (a) approve ECJ’s prior application of \$26,051.00 of the retainer to
20 its fees for the Subject Period; (b) authorize ECJ to apply the remaining retainer balance of
21 \$13,411.50 to its allowed fees; and (c) authorize and direct the chapter 7 trustee to pay ECJ the
22 unpaid balance of \$127,629.00 in fees and \$1,665.74 in expenses, for a total of \$129,294.74, as an
23 allowed administrative expense in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 726(b).

24 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Application is based on this Notice, the
25 Application, the Declaration of Byron Z. Moldo and the exhibits filed in support of the Application,
26 the records and files in this case, and any further evidence and argument presented at or before the
27 hearing. This Notice summarizes the Application. The full Application is on file with the Court
28 and may be reviewed through PACER, or a copy may be obtained upon request to the undersigned

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3 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, pursuant to LBR 9013-1(o), any response or
4 opposition to the Application must be in writing, must be filed with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy
5 Court, and must be served on ECJ at the address set forth in the upper left-hand corner of this Notice,
6 on the chapter 7 trustee, David M. Goodrich, (3070 Bristol St., Ste 640, Costa Mesa, CA 92626),
7 and on the Office of the United States Trustee, 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1850, Los Angeles,
8 California 90017, no later than fourteen (14) days before the hearing date. Any response or
9 opposition must state with particularity the grounds for the response or opposition and must include
10 all declarations and copies of all evidence on which the responding party intends to rely, and any
11 memorandum of points and authorities.

12 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, pursuant to LBR 9013-1(h), the failure to
13 timely file and serve a written response or opposition may be deemed by the Court to be consent to
14 the granting of the relief requested in the Application.

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16 DATED: October 27, 2026

ERVIN COHEN & JESSUP LLP

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18 By: /s/ Shantal Malmed
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PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is:

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A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (*specify*): **NOTICE OF HEARING ON FIRST AND FINAL APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 22, 2025 AND OCTOBER 23, 2026 BY ERVIN COHEN & JESSUP LLP AS GENERAL BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL TO CHAPTER 11 DEBTOR AND DEBTOR-IN-POSSESSION** will be served or was served **(a)** on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and **(b)** in the manner stated below:

1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF): Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (*date*) October 27, 2026, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below:

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2. SERVED BY UNITED STATES MAIL:

On *(date)* October 27, 2026, I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses in this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

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3. SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, OVERNIGHT MAIL, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL (state method for each person or entity served): Pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 5 and/or controlling LBR, on *(date)* October 27, 2026, I served the following persons and/or entities by personal delivery, overnight mail service, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration

This form is mandatory. It has been approved for use by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

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Honorable Barry Russell
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

October 27, 2026

Sydney Carson

/s/ Sydney Carson

Date

Printed Name

Signature

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United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, Los Angeles Division
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