

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION - DETROIT**

**In The Matter Of:**

THOMAS M. SHAUGHNESSY and  
CATHERINE C. SHAUGHNESSY,  
  
Debtors.

**In Bankruptcy:**

Case No. 07-57455-R  
Chapter 7  
Hon. Steven W. Rhodes

**APPLICATION FOR ORDER APPROVING FIRST AND FINAL  
PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES (NO NOTICE REQUIRED)  
FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 21, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2008**

**NOW COMES**, Gene R. Kohut, Chapter 7 Trustee, by and through his attorneys,  
Gene R. Kohut, P.C., and states the following:

1. This Application is filed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §330 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(a)(6).
2. On November 27, 2007, Gene R. Kohut and the law firm of Gene R. Kohut, P.C. was employed as counsel for the Trustee. See attached Exhibit "A."
3. Counsel for the Trustee performed necessary services and incurred fees in the amount of \$1,660.00 and expenses in the amount of \$0.00 for a total amount of \$1,660.00. See attached Exhibit "B."
4. Services rendered by Counsel for the Trustee were necessary and beneficial to the Estate.
5. Counsel for the Trustee, by way of this Application, is seeking an award of fees in the amount of \$300.00 and costs in the amount of \$0.00 for a total award of \$300.00.
6. Notice is not required pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(a)(6), as the fees requested are not in excess of \$1,000.00.

**WHEREFORE**, Trustee, Gene R. Kohut, prays that this Honorable Court enter an Order Approving First and Final Payment of Attorney Fees to Gene R. Kohut, P.C. in the total amount of \$300.00.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Dated: June 4, 2008

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT REGARDING  
EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS FOR TRUSTEE**

STATE OF MICHIGAN     )  
  )  
COUNTY OF WAYNE     )

Gene R. Kohut, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Trustee for the Debtor(s) herein: that he is making this Statement pursuant to L.B.R. 214-1(c); that he is a member of the firm of Gene R. Kohut, P.C.; that he is authorized to make this Verified Statement; that to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, after a review of the petition in bankruptcy, including the accompanying schedules and statements and Notice of Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Filing, Meeting of Creditors and Fixing of Dates, no member of said firm has any interest adverse to the Debtor(s) or Creditors or any other party in interest in the matters upon which they are to be engaged as attorneys for the Trustee, or has ever been employed by or has any connection with the Debtor(s) herein, creditors or any other party in interest, their respective known attorneys and accountants, the United States Trustee or any other person employed in the Office of the United States Trustee, other than disclosed below:

- a. Jill M. Gies, a staff attorney with the Office of the United States Trustee (Detroit) is the sister of Gene R. Kohut's wife; and

- b. Gene R. Kohut is a Chapter 7 Panel Trustee in the United States Bankruptcy Court Eastern District of Michigan and was appointed by the Office of the United States Trustee as the Chapter 7 Trustee in this proceeding.

That this information is being provided for disclosure purposes only, as said firm is a “disinterested person” as such term is defined in 11 U.S.C. Section 101 (14); and that he knows of no reason why the firm should not act as attorneys for the Trustee.

Respectfully Submitted,

GENE R. KOHUT, P.C.

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Dated: 11/27/2007

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007

/s/ Meghan A. Saur  
Meghan A. Saur, Notary Public  
State of Michigan, County of Macomb\*  
My commission expires: 11/25/08  
\*Acting in the County of Wayne

**Trustee action:**

[07-57455-swr Thomas Michael Shaughnessy and Catherine Caya Shaughnessy](#)

Type: bk

Chapter: 7 v

Office: 2 (Detroit)

Judge: swr

Assets: n

**U.S. Bankruptcy Court****Eastern District of Michigan**

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Thomas & Catherine Shaughnessy,  
Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Case No.  
07-57455-R

Professional Services

		<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11/21/2007	GRK Review 341 notes, petition, and schedules.	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
	GRK Preparation of pleadings re: Verified Statement to Employ Counsel for Trustee.	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
	GRK Preparation of pleadings re: Objection to Exemptions.	1.50 225.00/hr	337.50

		<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11/21/2007	GRK Phone conference with attorney Michael Stevenson re: objection and legal basis for same.	0.30 225.00/hr	67.50
12/6/2007	GRK Review response to objection and amended response.	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
	GRK Draft email to Stevenson re: alleged 2003 liability which reduces refund.	0.30 225.00/hr	67.50
1/14/2008	GRK Review amendments.	0.50 215.00/hr	107.50
	GRK Preparation of pleadings re: Stipulation and Order Resolving Objection to Exemptions.	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
6/3/2008	GRK Review claims.	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
	GRK Preparation of pleadings re: Application to Pay Trustee' s Counsel (under \$1000).	0.80 225.00/hr	180.00
	For professional services rendered	<hr/> 7.40	<hr/> \$1,660.00

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Gene R. Kohut, P.C. having filed and Application for Order Approving First and Final Payment of Attorney Fees For the Period of November 21, 2007 Through June 3, 2008, that fees were incurred in the amount of \$1,660.00 and expenses in the amount of \$0.00, *applicant having voluntarily agreed to reduce his fee request*; no notice being required for application for compensation or reimbursement of expense less than \$1,000 pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(a)(6); and the Court being otherwise duly advised in said premises;

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Application of Gene R. Kohut, P.C. for Order Approving First and Final Payment of the Attorney Fees is hereby and shall be approved;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Gene R. Kohut, P.C., is awarded attorney fees in the amount of \$300.00 and costs in the amount of \$0.00 for a total amount of \$300.00.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Trustee is authorized and directed to pay the above fees and expenses consistent with the Trustee's ability to pay other administrative costs.

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