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The following constitutes the order of the Court.

Signed: August 4, 2023

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Creditors***UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
OAKLAND DIVISION***In re:*THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
OAKLAND, a California corporation sole,

Debtor.

Case No. 23-40523 WJL

Chapter 11

**ORDER APPROVING EMPLOYMENT
OF BERKELEY RESEARCH GROUP,
LLC AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR
THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF
UNSECURED CREDITORS
EFFECTIVE AS OF JUNE 23, 2023**

Based on the Application to Employ Berkeley Research Group, LLC as Financial Advisor for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors Effective as of June 23, 2023 (the "Application")¹; and upon the Declaration of Matthew K. Babcock in Support of the Application

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Application.

1 (the “Babcock Declaration”); and it appearing that the Court has jurisdiction to consider the
2 Application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and it appearing that venue of this Chapter 11
3 Case in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that this
4 matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and the Court being satisfied, based
5 on the representations made in the Application and the Babcock Declaration, that Berkeley
6 Research Group, LLC (“BRG”) represents no interest adverse to the Debtor’s estate; and it
7 appearing that the services of a financial advisor are and will be required and the appointment
8 hereafter made is beneficial to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”);
9 and after due deliberation thereon, and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor:

10 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 11 1. The Application is GRANTED as set forth herein.
- 12 2. BRG is hereby appointed to represent the Committee as its financial advisor
13 effective as of June 23, 2023.
- 14 3. BRG is authorized to provide the following services to the Committee:
 - 15 a. help the Committee investigate the assets, liabilities, and financial condition
16 of the Debtor;
 - 17 b. assist the Committee in the review of financial related disclosures required
18 by the Court or Bankruptcy Code;
 - 19 c. help the Committee analyze the Debtor’s accounting reports and financial
20 statements;
 - 21 d. help the Committee review pre-petition transfers of the Debtor’s assets;
 - 22 e. help the Committee evaluate the Debtor’s ownership interests of property
23 alleged to be held in trust by the Debtor for the benefit of third parties or
24 property alleged to be owned by non-debtor entities, including, without
25 limitation, investigation and financial review of alleged donor restrictions,
26 other restricted and unrestricted funds, deposit and loan programs (if
27 applicable), and pooled income or investment funds;

- f. help the Committee review and evaluate any proposed asset sales, other asset dispositions, and any other proposed transactions for which Court approval is sought;
- g. help the Committee monitor the Debtor's cash management system for compliance with the cash management order entered in this case;
- h. assist in the review or preparation of information and analyses necessary for the confirmation of a plan of reorganization, or for the objection to any plan filed in this case which the Committee opposes;
- i. assist the Committee with the evaluation and analysis of potential claims of the Debtor's bankruptcy estate and any litigation matters, including, but not limited to, avoidance actions for fraudulent conveyances and preferential transfers, and declaratory relief actions concerning the property of the Debtor's estate; and
- j. Any other services requested by the Committee and agreed to by BRG

4. BRG shall apply for compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connections with the Debtor's case as set forth in the Application and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any other applicable procedures and orders of this Court.
5. No additional fee shall be paid to BRG, including the use of any retainer received for postpetition services, without prior approval of the Court.
6. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.
7. Notwithstanding any provision in the Bankruptcy Rules to the contrary, this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

** END OF ORDER **

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