

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

In re:) Chapter 11
)
COLLINS & AIKMAN CORPORATION, et al.¹) Case No. 05-55927 (SWR)
) (Jointly Administered)
Debtors.)
) (Tax Identification #13-3489233)
)
) Honorable Steven W. Rhodes

**ORDER GRANTING SEVENTH INTERIM AND FINAL APPLICATION OF
LAZARD FRERES & CO. LLC, INVESTMENT BANKER FOR THE DEBTORS, FOR
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR
THE PERIOD MAY 17, 2005 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2007**

Upon the seventh interim and final application (the “Final Application”)² of Lazard Freres & Co. LLC (“Lazard”) for compensation and reimbursement of expenses for services rendered as investment bankers for the Debtors for the period May 17, 2005 through September 30, 2007 [Docket No. 8554] and the settlement agreement reached between Lazard,

¹ The Debtors in the jointly administered cases include: Collins & Aikman Corporation; Amco Convertible Fabrics, Inc., Case No. 05-55949; Becker Group, LLC (d/b/a/ Collins & Aikman Premier Mold), Case No. 05-55977; Brut Plastics, Inc., Case No. 05-55957; Collins & Aikman (Gibraltar) Limited, Case No. 05-55989; Collins & Aikman Accessory Mats, Inc. (f/k/a the Akro Corporation), Case No. 05-55952; Collins & Aikman Asset Services, Inc., Case No. 05-55959; Collins & Aikman Automotive (Argentina), Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive (Argentina), Inc.), Case No. 05-55965; Collins & Aikman Automotive (Asia), Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive (Asia), Inc.), Case No. 05-55991; Collins & Aikman Automotive Exteriors, Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive Exteriors, Inc.), Case No. 05-55958; Collins & Aikman Automotive Interiors, Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive Interiors, Inc.), Case No. 05-55956; Collins & Aikman Automotive International, Inc., Case No. 05-55980; Collins & Aikman Automotive International Services, Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive International Services, Inc.), Case No. 05-55985; Collins & Aikman Automotive Mats, LLC, Case No. 05-55969; Collins & Aikman Automotive Overseas Investment, Inc. (f/k/a Textron Automotive Overseas Investment, Inc.), Case No. 05-55978; Collins & Aikman Automotive Services, LLC, Case No. 05-55981; Collins & Aikman Canada Domestic Holding Company, Case No. 05-55930; Collins & Aikman Carpet & Acoustics (MI), Inc., Case No. 05-55982; Collins & Aikman Carpet & Acoustics (TN), Inc., Case No. 05-55984; Collins & Aikman Development Company, Case No. 05-55943; Collins & Aikman Europe, Inc., Case No. 05-55971; Collins & Aikman Fabrics, Inc. (d/b/a Joan Automotive Industries, Inc.), Case No. 05-55963; Collins & Aikman Intellimold, Inc. (d/b/a M&C Advanced Processes, Inc.), Case No. 05-55976; Collins & Aikman Interiors, Inc., Case No. 05-55970; Collins & Aikman International Corporation, Case No. 05-55951; Collins & Aikman Plastics, Inc., Case No. 05-55960; Collins & Aikman Products Co., Case No. 05-55932; Collins & Aikman Properties, Inc., Case No. 05-55964; Comet Acoustics, Inc., Case No. 05-55972; CW Management Corporation, Case No. 05-55979; Dura Convertible Systems, Inc., Case No. 05-55942; Gamble Development Company, Case No. 05-55974; JPS Automotive, Inc. (d/b/a PACJ, Inc.), Case No. 05-55935; New Baltimore Holdings, LLC, Case No. 05-55992; Owosso Thermal Forming, LLC, Case No. 05-55946; Southwest Laminates, Inc. (d/b/a Southwest Fabric Laminators Inc.), Case No. 05-55948; Wickes Asset Management, Inc., Case No. 05-55962; and Wickes Manufacturing Company, Case No. 05-55968.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Final Application.

the fee examiner and the agent for the Debtors' senior, secured prepetition lenders that such parties would support a total amount of fees incurred by Lazard of \$6,091,000.00; it appearing that the relief requested is in the best interest of the Debtors' estates, their creditors and other parties in interest; it appearing that the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; it appearing that this proceeding is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); it appearing that venue of this proceeding and this Final Application in this District is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; it appearing that notice of this Final Application and the opportunity for a hearing on this Final Application was appropriate under the particular circumstances and that no other or further notice need be given; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby ORDERED

1. The Final Application is granted, on a final basis.
2. The Court allows an administrative expense claim for Lazard in the amount of \$6,091,000.00 for necessary professional services rendered and \$326,909.63 for expenses incurred during the Compensation Period.
3. The Debtors are hereby authorized and directed to pay to Lazard the outstanding amount of the sums described in paragraph 2 hereof.
4. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Final Application.
5. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

6. The Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

Signed on January 22, 2008

/s/ Steven Rhodes
Steven Rhodes
7. **Chief Bankruptcy Judge**