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FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

PRIME SUCCESSION, INC. et al.,

Debtors

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Chapter 11

Case No. 00-2969 (PJW)

(Jointly Administered)

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DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

**FINAL VERIFIED APPLICATION OF KPMG LLP FOR COMPENSATION AND FOR
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE DEBTORS
FOR THE PERIOD JULY 12, 2000 THROUGH NOVEMBER 8, 2000**

Name of Applicant: KPMG LLP

Authorized to Provide Professional Services to: PRIME SUCCESSION, INC. et al.

Date of Retention: An application for an Order of this Court authorizing the retention of KPMG as accountants, tax advisors and consultants to the Debtors was originally filed with this Court on July 25, 2000. The Office of the United States Trustee filed an objection to the original application. The Trustee subsequently agreed to remove the objection and requested that KPMG file an amended application. KPMG confirmed this discussion in writing with the Trustee on September 15, 2000, and on December 8, 2000, filed an amended application for retention and employment *numc pro tunc* with this Court which incorporates the changes requested by the Trustee.

Period for which final compensation and reimbursement are sought: July 12, 2000 – November 8, 2000

Amount of compensation sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary: \$ 137,001.50

Amount of expense reimbursement sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary: \$ 4,233.00

Amount of retainer: \$ 10,000.00

This is a: _____ interim X final application _____ monthly statement

Previously Filed Applications: None

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Pursuant to 11 U.C.S. §§ 330 and 331 and Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and in accordance with the Order Pursuant to Sections 105(a) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals dated July 28, 2000 (the "Administrative Order"), KPMG LLP ("KPMG"), files this final verified application (the "Application") for final allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses in connection with KPMG LLP's services to Prime Succession, Inc., debtor in possession and its affiliated debtors ("Prime" or the "Debtors").

This Final Verified Application seeks approval of the compensation and expenses as described more fully herein for the period July 12, 2000 (the "Petition Date") through November 8, 2000 (the "Confirmation Date").

By this application, KPMG LLP seeks allowance of (i) \$ 137,001.50 as compensation and \$4,233.00 for reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses, for a total of \$ 141,234.50.

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Background

In support of its Application, KPMG LLP respectfully represents as follows:

1. The Debtor, Prime Succession, Inc. filed a bankruptcy petition for relief under Chapter 11, Case No. 00-2969 (PJW) on July 12, 2000 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.

Employment

2. Applicant's employment, effective July 12, 2000, is pending before the Court pursuant to the Debtors' Application for Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment *Nunc Pro Tunc* of KPMG LLP as Accountants, Tax Advisors and Consultants to the Debtors and the Debtors' Amended Application for Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment *Nunc Pro Tunc* of KPMG LLP as Accountants, Tax Advisors and Consultants to the Debtors (collectively the "Applications")¹

3. On or about July 12, 2000, Applicant began providing accounting and tax advisory services to the Debtors. Applicant has not received any post-petition compensation for its services.

Retention of KPMG

4. Subject to the approval of this Court, the Debtors have employed KPMG as their accountants and tax advisors in connection with their Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases. KPMG has been authorized to render the following professional services:

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connection with the matters covered in this application. There is no agreement or understanding between KPMG LLP and any other person other than members of the firm for the sharing of compensation to be received for services rendered in this case.

WHEREFORE KPMG LLP respectfully requests: (i) approval of final fee compensation in the sum of \$ 137,001.50 as compensation for necessary professional services rendered to the Debtors and the sum of \$ 4,233.00 for reimbursement of actual necessary costs and expenses incurred during those periods, for a total of \$ 141,234.50; and (ii) for such other and further relief as is just.

Dated:

January 16, 2001

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