

ORDER

Michael J. Quilling, as Receiver for Howe Financial Trust and related entities, has filed an application for \$770.00 in fees and \$31.51 in expenses for services performed and costs incurred in this case from September 1, 2000 through November 30, 2000. The Receiver was ordered to post a copy of this fee application on his website with instructions to all interested parties that any objections must be filed by December 27, 2000. No objections have been received by the court.

A hearing was held on January 5, 2001. The Receiver advised all interested parties of this hearing by posting notice on his website as directed by the court. No one appeared at the hearing or otherwise objected to the fee application. The Securities and Exchange Commission, through its regional counsel, previously consented to payment of the amount requested.

The Court has reviewed the fee application and exhibits attached thereto, and finds that the time spent, services performed, expenses incurred, and hourly rates charged by the Receiver are justified under the factors set forth in *Johnson v. Georgia Highway Express, Inc.*, 488 F.2d 714

(5th Cir. 1974). No upward or downward adjustment is warranted. Accordingly, the fee application is approved and the Receiver is authorized to pay the law firm of Quilling, Selander, Cummiskey & Lownds, P.C. the sum of \$770.00 in fees and \$31.51 in expenses for services performed and costs incurred in this case from September 1, 2000 through November 30, 2000.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: January 5, 2001.

FF KAPLAN INITER STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE