EPIQ BANKRUPTCY SOLUTIONS, LLC

STANDARD BANKRUPTCY SERVICES AGREEMENT

Between Epiq Bankruptcy Solutions, LLC (formerly known as Bankruptcy Services LLC), a New York limited liability company ("Epiq") and the Parties listed on Schedule A annexed hereto (collectively, the "Customer" or "Debtor"), dated as of April 8, 2010.

In consideration of the premises herein contained and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

General Terms and Conditions

1. Services.

In accordance with the charges, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement and in the schedule attached hereto (the "Agreement"), Epiq agrees to furnish Customer with computerized bankruptcy support services and bankruptcy administrative services according to the pricing schedule annexed hereto (the "Schedule"). This Schedule sets forth individual unit pricing for services provided by Epiq. The price listed for each service represents a bona fide proposal for that service and the Customer may accept separate Service components or may accept the Services listed in their entirety. Services will be provided when requested by the Customer. Services are mutually exclusive and are deemed delivered and accepted when provided by Epiq.

2. Term.

This Agreement shall become effective on the later of (i) the date of its acceptance by Epiq and (ii) the date of entry of an order by the Bankruptcy Court approving this Agreement (or such earlier date set by the Bankruptcy Court). The Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated by the Customer on one (1) month's prior written notice received by Epiq and entry of an order of the Court discharging Epiq as claims agent or by Epiq upon three (3) month's prior written notice received by the Customer and entry of an order of the Court discharging Epiq as claims agent.

3. Charges.

- 3.1 For services and materials furnished by Epiq under this Agreement, Customer shall pay the charges set forth in the schedule annexed hereto attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. Epiq will bill Customer monthly. All invoices shall be due and payable upon receipt.
- 3.2 Epiq reserves the right to reasonably increase its prices, charges and rates annually on January 2nd of each year. However, if such increases exceed 10%, Epiq will be required to give sixty (60) days prior written notice to Customer.
- 3.3 Customer agrees to pay Epiq for all materials necessary for Epiq's performance under this Agreement, other than computer hardware and software, and any reasonable out of pocket expenses including, without limitation, transportation, long distance communications, printing, postage and related items.



- 3.4 In addition to all charges for services and materials hereunder, Customer shall pay to Epiq all taxes, however designated, levied or based that are applicable to this Agreement or are measured directly by payments made under this Agreement and are required to be collected by Epiq or paid by Epiq to taxing authorities. This provision, includes but is not limited to, sales, use and excise taxes, but does not include personal property taxes or taxes based on net income.
- 3.5 In addition to all other charges for services and materials hereunder, Customer shall pay to Epiq any actual charges related to, arising out of or as a result of any Customer error or omission, as mutually agreed by Epiq and Customer. Such charges shall include but not be limited to re-runs and any additional clerical work billed at the Epiq then prevailing standard rates, supplies, long distance phone calls, travel expenses and overtime expenses for work chargeable at the rates set forth on the schedule annexed hereto.
- 3.6 Where the Customer requires measures that are unusual and beyond normal business practice of Epiq such as but not limited to CPA audit, errors and omissions insurance, or off premises storage of data, the cost of such measures, if provided by Epiq, shall be charged to the Customer at a competitive rate.
- 3.7 In the event of termination due to Customer's default, Customer shall be liable for all amounts then owing.
- 3.8 Customer shall pay Epiq a retainer in the amount of \$50,000 to be applied immediately in satisfaction of any prepetition obligations incurred pursuant to this agreement. Any amounts not applied pre-petition will be applied against Epiq's final invoice for the services provided herein.

4. Confidentiality.

All of Customer's data given to Epiq will be safeguarded by Epiq to the same extent that Epiq safeguards data relating to its own business; provided, however, that if data is publicly available, was already in Epiq's possession or known to it, or was rightfully obtained by Epiq from a third party, Epiq shall bear no responsibility for disclosure.

5. <u>Title to Property.</u>

Epiq reserves all property rights in and to all materials, concepts, know-how, techniques, programs, systems and other information, including, without limitation, data processing programs, specifications, applications, routines, subroutines, procedural manuals and documentation furnished or developed by Epiq for itself or for use by the Customer ("Property"). Charges paid by Customer do not vest in Customer any rights to the Property, it being expressly understood that the Property is made available to Customer under this Agreement solely for Customer's use during and in connection with each use of the Epiq equipment and services. Customer agrees not to copy or permit others to copy any of the Property.

6. Disposition of Data.

Any data, programs, storage media or other materials furnished by the Customer to Epiq in connection with this Agreement may be retained by Epiq until the services provided herein are paid for, or until this Agreement is terminated with the services provided herein having been paid for in full. Customer shall remain liable for all charges imposed under this Agreement as a result of data or physical media maintained by Epiq. Epiq shall dispose of the data and media in the manner requested by Customer. Customer agrees to pay Epiq for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of the disposition of the data or media. After giving Customer thirty (30) days advance notice, Epiq reserves the right to dispose of data or media maintained by Epiq for Customer if Customer has not utilized the services provided herein for a period of at least ninety (90) days or if Customer has not paid all charges due to Epiq.

7. Limitation of Liability, Warranty and Indemnity.



- 7.1 Except as provided herein, Epiq's liability to Customer or any person claiming through or under Customer for any claim, loss, damage, expense of any kind, or for any lost profits, loss of business or other consequential damages even if Epiq has been advised of the possibility of such damages, whether direct or indirect and unless due to negligence or willful misconduct of Epiq shall be limited to the total amount billed or billable to Customer for this engagement. In no event shall Epiq be liable to Customer for any special or consequential damages (including loss of anticipated profits) incurred by Customer in connection with or arising out of the services provided for in this Agreement.
- 7.2 Customer is responsible for the accuracy of the programs and data it submits for processing to Epiq and for the output. Customer agrees to initiate and maintain backup files that would allow Customer to regenerate or duplicate all programs and data submitted by Customer to Epiq.
- 7.3 Customer agrees that except as set forth in the paragraph 7.1 above, Epiq makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to, any implied or express warranty of merchantability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.
- 7.4 The Customer shall indemnify and hold Epiq, its affiliates and each of their respective officers, members, directors, agents, consultants and employees (each an "Indemnified Person") harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs (including, without limitation, costs of preparation and attorneys' fees) and expenses as incurred (collectively, "Losses"), to which any Indemnified Person may become subject or involved in any capacity arising out of or relating to this Agreement or Epiq's rendering of services pursuant hereto, regardless of whether any of such Indemnified Persons is a party thereto, other than Losses resulting solely from Epiq's negligence or willful misconduct. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, "Losses" includes any liabilities resulting from claims by third persons against any Indemnified Person. The Indemnified Persons shall notify the Customer in writing promptly of the commencement, institution, threat, or assertion of any claim, action or proceeding for which the Indemnified Persons seek indemnification. The Customer shall have the right to conduct the defense or settlement of any such claim at its sole expense, and the Indemnified Persons shall cooperate. The Indemnified Persons shall nonetheless have the right to participate in such defense at the Indemnified Persons' cost. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of the Customer and shall survive the termination of this Agreement until the expiration of all applicable statutes of limitation with respect to Epiq's liabilities.

8. Bank Accounts

At the Customer's request, Epiq shall be authorized to establish accounts with financial institutions in the name of and as agent for the Customer. To the extent certain financial products are provided to the Customer pursuant to Epiq's agreement with certain financial institutions, Epiq may receive compensation from such financial institutions for the services Epiq provides pursuant to such agreement.

9. Confidential On-Line Workspace

Upon request of the Customer, Epiq shall be authorized to: (a) establish a confidential on-line workspace with an outside vendor in connection with the provision of its services to the Customer pursuant to this Agreement; and (b) with the consent of the Customer and/or its designees, publish documents and other information to such confidential workspace. By publishing documents and other information to this confidential workspace in accordance with the foregoing, Epiq shall not be considered in violation of any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Section 4 (Confidentiality).

10. General

10.1 No waiver, alteration, amendment or modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon either party unless signed in writing by a duly authorized representative of both parties.



- 10.2 This Agreement may not be assigned by Customer without the express written consent of Epiq, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The services provided under this Agreement are for the sole benefit and use of Customer, and shall not be made available to any other persons.
- 10.3 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to that state's provisions for choice of law.
- 10.4 The parties agree that this Agreement is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties which supersedes all proposals or prior agreements, oral or written, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- 10.5 Notices to be given or submitted by either party to the other, pursuant to this Agreement, shall be sufficiently given or made if given or made in writing and sent by certified mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

If to Epiq:

Epiq Bankruptcy Solutions, LLC 757 Third Avenue, Third Floor New York, New York 10017 Attn: Ron Jacobs

If to Customer:

Joel Dempsey
Vice President and General Counsel
Brown Publishing Company
Brown Media Holdings, LLC
10222 Alliance Road
Cincinnati, OH 45242

With a copy to:

Edward M. Fox, Esq. K&L Gates LLP 599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022-6030



10.6 This Agreement shall be subject to approval of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement.

EPIQ BANKRUPTCY SOLUTIONS, LLC

Name: Daniel C. McElhinney

Title:

Executive Director

DEBTOR {SEE SCHEDULE A}

Schedule A

The Brown Publishing Company, Ohio Corporation, Charter number 89941

The Delaware Gazette Company, Ohio Corporation, Charter number 219379

Troy Daily News, Inc., Ohio Corporation, Charter number 249545

The Messenges Publishing Company, Ohio Corporation, Charter number 8665

REB

Brown Media Holdings Company, Ohio Corporation, Charter number 1717817

Texas Community Newspapers, Inc., Texas Corporation, Charter number 800022385

Dan's Papers, Inc., New York Corporation

Business Publications, LLC, Iowa Limited Liability Company

Brown Publishing Inc., L.L.C., Ohio Limited Liability Company, charter number 1444111

ARG, LLC, Texas LLC, Texas Limited Liability Company, charter number 800944854

SC Biz News, LLC, South Carolina Limited Liability Company

Brown Business Ledger, LLC, Illinois LLC, file number 02703874

Texas Business News, LLC, Texas LLC, charter number 800982247

Upstate Business News, LLC, South Carolina LLC

Boulder Business Information, Inc., Colorado Corporation Utah Business Publishers, LLC, Utah LLC



Case Management Services:

<u>Title</u>	Rate Range	Average Rate
Clerk	\$40 - \$60 per hour	\$ 50.00
Case Manager (Level 1)	\$125 - \$175 per hour	\$142.50
IT Programming Consultant	\$140 - \$190 per hour	\$165.00
Case Manager (Level 2)	\$185 - \$220 per hour	\$202.50
Senior Case Manager	\$225 - \$275 per hour	\$247.50
Senior Consultant	TBD	TBD*

The level of Senior Consultant activity will vary by engagement. If such services are required, the usual average rate is \$295 per hour. Please note that any additional professional services not specifically covered by this proposal will be charged at hourly rates, including any outsourced data input services performed under our supervision and control. Outside vendors may charge a premium for weekend and overtime work.

Claims Management Services:

Database and System Access (No restriction on number of users)	\$.10 per record per month
Data Transfer	\$.10 per creditor
Manual Claims Input	\$.35 per claim plus hourly rates
Document Storage	Waived



Pricing

Printing, Mailing and Noticing:

Set up Printing

Collate, fold and/or insert Postage and overnight delivery Electronic noticing Legal notice publishing Claim acknowledgement card Fax Waived

\$.10 per image (plus page including envelope face)
\$.10 each piece

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At cost

\$.02 per page

Quote prior to publishing

\$.25 per notice

\$.20 per page

Document Management/Imaging:

Electronic imaging (scanning/bar coding)
Additional OCR capture
CD burning (mass document storage)
Stand Alone Case Website Construction
Hosting Case Specific Site
Case Data Web Traffic

\$.30 per image \$.10 per image Varies upon requirements \$150.00 per hour \$200.00 per month Waived

Confidential Document Management:

Standard Confidential on-line workspace

\$1.30 per page per 9 months

Call Center Services:

Standard Call Center Setup

\$2,500

Call Center Operator

\$75 per hour

Voice Recorded Message

\$.19 per minute

Standard Call Center Support/Maintenance

\$200 per month

Additional call center services not specifically covered by this proposal will be charged at hourly rates or at a unit price to be determined. Specifically, such tasks as reviewing and managing traffic reports, assigning and supervising staff, call auditing, quality control testing, training and the like will be billed at the applicable hourly rate.



Pricing

Voting Tabulation and Reports:

Set-up, tabulation and vote verification

Applicable consulting fees only

Printing and mailing of ballots

Subject to unit pricing for mailing

and noticing above

Solicitation and Notification of Public

Securities Holders

Varies upon requirements

Please note that Epig will coordinate outside services for notice publication, printing and scanning upon request. Reimbursable expenses including travel, envelopes and courier services are billed at cost. Postage is payable in advance of any mailings.

Disbursements:

Transaction fees:

Per check or Form 1099 Per record to transfer agent \$1.50 each

\$.25 each