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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA SPOOFING LITIGATION	) No. 3:20-cv-11059-MAS-RLS		
SPOOPING LITIGATION	CLASS ACTION		
This Document Relates To:	) DECLARATION OF JENNIFER W.		
ALL ACTIONS.	SPRENGEL FILED ON BEHALF OF CAFFERTY CLOBES MERIWETHER		
	& SPRENGEL LLP IN SUPPORT OF		
	APPLICATION FOR AWARD OF		
	ATTORNEYS' FEES AND		
	EXPENSES		

- I, Jennifer W. Sprengel, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a partner of the firm of Cafferty Clobes Meriwether & Sprengel LLP ("CCMS"). I am submitting this declaration in support of the application for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses/charges ("expenses") in connection with services rendered in the above-entitled action.
- 2. My firm filed cases on behalf of plaintiffs Port 22 and Larry Blankenship, and served as a member of the Executive Committee.
- 3. The information in this declaration regarding my Firm's time and expenses is taken from time and expense reports and supporting documentation prepared and maintained by the Firm in the ordinary course of business. I am the managing partner of the Firm and am responsible for the review of these reports on a regular basis and in connection with the preparation of this declaration. The purpose of this review was to confirm both the accuracy of the entries as well as the necessity for, and reasonableness of, the time and expenses committed to the litigation. Based on this review, I believe that the time reflected in the Firm's lodestar calculation and the expenses for which payment is sought herein are reasonable and were necessary for the effective and efficient prosecution and resolution of the litigation
- 4. A breakdown of the lodestar is provided in Exhibit A. The lodestar amount for attorney/paralegal time based on the Firm's current rates is \$185,172.50.

The hourly rates shown in Exhibit A are consistent with hourly rates submitted by the Firm in other securities class action litigation. The Firm's rates are set based on periodic analysis of rates charged by firms performing comparable work both on the plaintiff and defense side. Different timekeepers within the same employment category (e.g., partners, associates, paralegals, etc.) may have different rates based on a variety of factors, including years of practice, years at the Firm, years in the current position (e.g., years as a partner), relevant experience, relative expertise, and the rates of similarly experienced peers at this Firm or other firms. For personnel who are no longer employed by the Firm, the "current rate" used for the lodestar calculation is based upon the rate for that person in his or her final year of employment with the Firm.

5. My Firm seeks an award of \$2,199.40 in expenses and charges in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. Those expenses and charges are summarized by category in Exhibit B.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023, at Chicago, Illinois.

Jennifer W. Sprengel

# **EXHIBIT A**

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In re Bank of Nova Scotia Spoofing Litigation, No. 3:20-cv-11059-MAS-RLS Cafferty Clobes Meriwether & Sprengel LLP Inception through July 31, 2023

NAME		HOURS	RATE	LODESTAR
Jennifer W. Sprengel	(P)	9	1,100.00	9,900.00
Anthony F. Fata	(P)	129	950.000	122,550.00
Kaitlin Naughton	(A)	43.7	550.00	24,035.00
Brian P. O'Connell	(A)	39.5	600.00	23,700.00
Paralegals				
Sharon M. Nyland		5.8	375.00	2,175.00
Kelly McDonald		7.5	375.00	2,812.50
TOTAL		234.5		185,172.50

<sup>(</sup>P) Partner

<sup>(</sup>A) Associate

# **EXHIBIT B**

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CATEGORY	<i>AMOUNT</i>
Filing, Witness and Other Fees	800.00
Online Legal and Financial Research	1,399.40
TOTAL	2,199.40