

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA
CIVIL NO. 08-5348 (ADM/JSM)**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
)	
1. THOMAS JOSEPH PETTERS;)	
PETTERS COMPANY, INC.,)	
PCI; PETTERS GROUP WORLDWIDE, LLC;)	
2. DEANNA COLEMAN aka DEANNA MUNSON;)	
3. ROBERT WHITE;)	
4. JAMES WEHMHOFF;)	
5. LARRY REYNOLDS dba)	
NATIONWIDE INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES)	
aka NIR;)	
6. MICHAEL CATAIN dba)	
ENCHANTED FAMILY BUYING COMPANY;)	
7. FRANK E. VENNES JR., dba)	
METRO GEM FINANCE,)	
METRO GEM INC.,)	
GRACE OFFERINGS OF FLORIDA LLC,)	
METRO PROPERTY FINANCING, LLC,)	
38 E. ROBINSON, LLC,)	
55 E. PINE, LLC,)	
ORLANDO RENTAL POOL, LLC,)	
100 PINE STREET PROPERTY, LLC,)	
ORANGE STREET TOWER, LLC,)	
CORNERSTONE RENTAL POOL, LLC,)	
2 SOUTH ORANGE AVENUE, LLC,)	
HOPE COMMONS, LLC,)	
METRO GOLD, INC.;)	
)	
Defendants.)	

3. The Faegre & Benson firm was personally retained by Frank Vennes to represent him in ongoing civil and criminal proceedings arising out of the federal investigation. James Volling of the Faegre & Benson firm serves as Mr. Vennes' chief legal counsel.

4. I am familiar with the rates charged in the local community by attorneys performing services similar to those provided by Mr. Volling and the Faegre & Benson law firm and certify that the requested rates are on the high end of but within the range charged by attorneys of comparable experience employed by comparable Minnesota law firms for work of a comparable nature and complexity.

5. I have reviewed the itemized statement describing services provided by the Faegre & Benson law firm and certify that to the best of my knowledge, and based on the representations of Mr. Volling, all of the stated work was actually performed and was necessary for representation of Mr. Vennes.

6. I request Court approval of the Receiver's fee application in favor of the law firm of Faegre & Benson in the amount of \$178,603.50.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

s/ Gary Hansen
Gary Hansen

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 1st day of May, 2009.

s/ Julie Ann Menk
Notary Public