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22 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
23 **FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
24 **CENTRAL DISTRICT**

25 In re the Conservatorship of the Estate of

26 **BRITNEY JEAN SPEARS,**

27 Conservatee.

Case No. BP 108870

**EX PARTE PETITION FOR
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION TO
JAMES P. SPEARS**

(PROBATE CODE §2641, et seq.)

Date: April 29, 2014
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 9
Judge: Hon. Reva Gooch

RECEIVED:
DATE PAID: 04/29/14 08:10 PM
PAYMENT: \$435.00
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CHECK: \$435.00
CASH: \$0.00
CHANGE: \$0.00
DEBIT: \$0.00

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1 ANDREW M. WALLET, ("Mr. Wallet") Co-Conservator of the Estate, and JAMES P.
2 SPEARS ("Mr. Spears") as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate of Britney
3 Jean Spears, Conservatee, (Collectively "Petitioners") present their Petition for Allowance of
4 Compensation to James P. Spears (Probate Code §2640, 2641, *et seq*), as follows:
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6 1. Mr. Spears has and will continue to perform his responsibilities as Conservator of the
7 Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate of Britney Jean Spears, which are necessary, for the
8 benefit of Conservatee's person and estate.

9 2. Pursuant to Court Orders entered on February 27, 2009, December 22, 2009, March
10 16, 2010, and October 29, 2013 (collectively "Compensation Orders"), Mr. Spears is authorized
11 and allowed to receive compensation through his personal services corporation Spears
12 Management, Inc., for services performed as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the
13 Estate in the amount of \$16,000 monthly and allows and approves payment for the cost of an
14 office in the amount of \$2,000 monthly, which Order is to remain in full force and effect unless
15 otherwise modified by the Court.
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17 COMPENSATION REQUESTS

18 3. Petitioners request confirmation of Mr. Spears' compensation in the amount of
19 \$16,000 per month, shall be allowed and authorized on account until further Court Order.
20 Additionally, Petitioners request confirmation that Mr. Spears be authorized to continue to expend
21 the sum of \$2,000 monthly for his office space (which is in a secure location and is dedicated to
22 her activities), as set forth in the Compensation Orders.
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24 4. Petitioners seek further additional compensation to Mr. Spears from Atara Tours, Inc.,
25 for the services Mr. Spears has been and will be performing in various roles and capacities for Ms.
26 Spears' performances at Planet Hollywood in Las Vegas from 2013-2015 entitled "Piece of Me"
27 and related activities (collectively, the "LV Show"), which services are over and above the
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1 services he performs as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate. Mr. Spears
2 has been and will be providing primary responsibility for negotiations with regard to all key
3 aspects of the LV Show, and global oversight of the LV Show production and logistics, making all
4 final production calls on site. Mr. Spears is creating significant savings and value for the Estate
5 through his efforts. Petitioners seek fair and reasonable compensation for the efforts Mr. Spears
6 has made and will make and the results that he has achieved to date and is expected to achieve in
7 the LV Show.

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9 5. Specifically, Petitioners seek compensation to Mr. Spears through his personal
10 services corporation, Spears Management, Inc., in addition to the compensation Mr. Spears
11 receives in his capacity as Conservator Britney's Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate, from
12 Atara for the services Mr. Spears has been and will be performing in various capacities for the LV
13 Show. The additional compensation requested is as follows: 1.5% of the gross revenues from the
14 performances and merchandise associated with the LV Show, less the amortization of
15 preproduction expenses and running show costs for the sound and lights (the "Revenue
16 Adjustments").¹ The Conservators have provided to Samuel D. Ingham, III ("Mr. Ingham"),
17 Court-appointed counsel for Ms. Spears, detailed commission calculations for all commissions to
18 be paid from the adjusted LV Show revenues. The Conservators are informed and believe that Mr.
19 Ingham has reviewed the calculations with Ms. Spears and that she has consented to this
20 additional compensation request for Mr. Spears. A Consent and Waiver of Notice executed by
21 Mr. Ingham is filed concurrently with this Petition.
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24 6. Persons Entitled to Notice. The names and addresses of the persons entitled to notice
25 of this Petition are as follows:
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27 ¹ By way of comparison, Mr. Spears' Court-approved compensation for his efforts on behalf of the
28 2011 Femme Fatale Tour totaled 2.95% (a commission of .95% directly from the tour's adjusted
gross revenues and 1/5 of the 10% commission for the tour that was paid to Larry Rudolph
Management, Inc. and ReignDeer Entertainment Corp.).
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NAME & ADDRESS

AGE

RELATIONSHIP

[REDACTED]

Adult

Petitioner, Conservator of the Person, Co-Conservator of the Estate

Britney Jean Spears

Adult

Conservatee

[REDACTED]

Samuel D. Ingham, III

Adult

Court Appointed Counsel for Conservatee

[REDACTED]

Andrew M. Wallet

Adult

Co-Conservator of the Estate

[REDACTED]

7. Clark R. Byam of Hahn & Hahn, attorneys for the trustee of the SJB Trust, whose address is 301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Ninth Floor, Pasadena, CA 91101, will be provided with a copy of this Petition.

8. No one has filed a request for special notice in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners request an Order of the Court as follows:

1. That notice of hearing of this petition was given as required by law;
2. Re-confirming allowance of Mr. Spears' compensation as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate of Ms. Spears through his personal services corporation, Spears Management, Inc., in the amount of \$16,000;
3. Re-confirming allowance of Mr. Spears' expenditure of \$2,000 monthly for his office space;
4. Allowing and approving fees to Mr. Spears for his services in relation to the LV Show from the revenues generated by the LV Show in the amount of 1.5% of the gross revenues from the performances and merchandise associated with the LV Show, less the amortization of preproduction expenses and running show costs for the sound and lights; and

- 1 5. Authorizing Petitioners to pay from Atara Tours, Inc., Mr. Spears' compensation for
2 the services he is rendering in relation to the LV Show through Spears Management,
3 Inc.,; and
4 6. For such other and further relief as the Court considers just and proper.

5 DATED: April 28, 2014

HINOJOSA & WALLET, LLP
Andrew M. Wallet, Esq.

6 HOFFMAN, SABBAN & WATENMAKER, APC
7 Geraldine A. Wyle
8 Jeryll S. Cohen

9 By: 

10 Geraldine A. Wyle

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VERIFICATION

I have read the foregoing EX PARTE PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF
COMPENSATION TO JAMES P. SPEARS and know its contents.

I am a petitioner in this action. The matters stated in the foregoing document are true of
my own knowledge except as to those matters which are stated on information and belief, and as
to those matters which I believe them to be true.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 28, 2014, at Los Angeles, California.



Andrew M. Waller

VERIFICATION

04/29/2014

S.L. Williams, Deputy Court Clerk
Tamara Vogl CSR #10186; Reporter

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
 Department LA 9

04/29/2014

Court Convened at: 0830AM
REVA G. GOETZ, Judge

Honorable Commissioner David J. Cowan
 none, Deputy Sheriff

S.L. Williams, Deputy Court Clerk
 Tamara Vogl CSR #10186, Reporter

BP-108870 1016 SPEARS, BRITNEY JEAN - CONSERVATORSHIP
 Conservatorship-Pers

STATUS HEARING

Petitioner(s): SUPERIOR COURT

Attorney(s):

Continuance Number: 1 Continuance From: 3/11/2014 12:00:00AM

Last Date Changed: 4/25/2014 11:54:51AM

Last Note Changed By: LMCGLOTH

-transcript of today's
 orders ordered sealed
 to be released to attys.
 only, anyone else required
 to get court order.

Separate path for allowance
 of compensation to James P. Sears
 is granted. Order signed & filed
 this date.

for period ending 12-31-13

MINUTE ORDER

☐ Granted ☐ Denied Without Prejudice ☒ Completed ☐ Continued to ☐ Submitted ☐ Off-calendar
☐ As Supplemented ☐ Pardon and Estate ☐ No Bond ☐ Bond of \$ Additional ☐ Will and Codicil(s) Admitted
☐ Full/Limited/No IARA ☐ Lack Medical Capacity and Volving Capacity ☐ Face Granted in the Amount of \$ ☐ County/Estate
☐ Dementia Powers Granted ☐ Medical and Placement ☐ PC 2151.5 powers granted ☐ Supplemental Probate Investigator/DCPS Report Ordered
☐ Court has Read and Considered/Approved Report ☐ Parties stipulate to Judge Pro Tem- written ☐ Give Notice Waived ☐ Bond Exonerated
☐ Court Investigation/DCPS/Regional Center Report is placed in the Confidential Envelope / is admitted into evidence as Court's Exhibit I and sealed ☐ No further review required
☐ PVI/Attorney/Clerk/Party Ordered Back/Discharged/As Prayed ☐ Appearance of Minor(s)/counsel waived for next hearing ☐ PVP Appointed/Remains/Discharged
☐ New Citation to issue/personal service ☐ Re: If proof of deposit to a blocked account filed
☐ Confirmed for 3 Commissions: Title:
☐ Time to Administer Estate / Special/Temporary Letters Extended/Granted to 12-30-14 and set for hearing. An OSC re Accounting and/or Status of Distribution
☐ Accounting ☐ Pet. for Final Distribution Report to be filed by 12-30-14 and set for hearing. An OSC re Accounting and/or Status of Distribution
 is set for hearing on 1-13-15 OSC date vacated if Accounting, Final Distribution or Status Report filed timely.

RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION:

Order to be Prepared By:

Clerk: Attorney:

RELATED ITEMS:

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County of Los Angeles

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Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk
By Sheron L. Williams, Deputy
SHERON L. WILLIAMS

Case No. BP 108870

**DECLARATION OF GERALDINE A.
WYLE RE NOTICE AND URGENCY
IN SUPPORT OF EX PARTE
PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF
COMPENSATION TO JAMES P.
SPEARS**

Date: April 29, 2014
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 9 / Room 260

Assigned to Hon. Reva G. Goetz

1 **DECLARATION OF GERALDINE A. WYLE**

2 I, Geraldine A. Wyle, declare:

3 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of California and am a
4 member of the law firm of Hoffman, Sabban & Watenmaker APC, counsel of record for
5 James P. Spears, conservator of the person and co-conservator of the estate of Britney Jean
6 Spears. Except as otherwise stated, the statements contained herein are based on my
7 personal knowledge and experience. If called as a witness, I could and would testify
8 competently to those facts.

9 **NOTICE**

10 2. In a series of telephone calls and email communications during the week of
11 April 21, 2014, I provided Samuel D. Ingham, III, Court- appointed counsel for Britney
12 Jean Spears, with telephonic notice that the Conservators will be filing an *Ex Parte*
13 Petition for Allowance of Compensation to James P. Spears. I informed him that the
14 Petition will be presented at 8:30 a.m., on April 29, 2014, in either Department 9 or Room
15 260 of the Los Angeles Superior Court, Central District, located at 111 No. Hill Street, Los
16 Angeles, CA 90012.

17 3. Mr. Ingham was provided with a nearly final draft of the Petition for review, and
18 I am informed and believe that he has reviewed the document with Ms. Spears, who is
19 aware of the subject matter, grounds, and relief sought in the Petition.

20 4. Mr. Ingham has advised me that Ms. Spears has consented to the relief sought in
21 the Petition. Filed concurrently with this *Ex Parte* Petition is a Consent and Waiver of
22 Notice signed by Mr. Ingham.

23 5. The contact information for Mr. Ingham is: Samuel D. Ingham, III, 9440 Santa
24 Monica Blvd., Suite 510, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, Tel: 310.556.9751;
25 singham@inghamlaw.com.

26 **GROUND FOR HEARING THE PETITION ON AN EX PARTE BASIS**

27 6. Good cause exists under Probate Code section 1460(e) to dispense with the
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1 notice requirements set forth in Probate Code section 1460(a) and hear the Petition on an
2 *ex parte* basis because, until the Petition is granted, Mr. Spears will be continuing to
3 expend extraordinary time and effort in the production of Ms. Spears' performance-related
4 activities without additional compensation. He has already done so for more than six
5 months and further delay would be a continuing unfairness to him.

6 7. All interested parties agree that having the Petition heard and decided on an *ex*
7 *parte* basis is necessary and appropriate.

8 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
9 foregoing is true and correct and that this document is executed on April 28, 2014, at Los
10 Angeles, California.

11 Dated: April 28, 2014

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Case No. BP 108 870

**CONSENT AND WAIVER OF NOTICE TO
EX PARTE PETITION FOR
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION TO
JAMES P. SPEARS**

Date: April 29, 2014
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 9
Judge: Hon. Rava Goetz

1 The undersigned, Samuel D. Ingham, III, Court-appointed counsel for Conservatee,
2 Britney Jean Spears, on behalf of his client, hereby consents to and waives notice to the Petition
3 For Allowance of Compensation to James P. Spears, filed by Andrew M. Wallet, Co-Conservator
4 of the Estate and James P. Spears as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate
5 of Britney Jean Spears, set for hearing on April 29, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 9 of the Los
6 Angeles Superior Court.

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8 Dated: April 28, 2014


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Court Appointed Counsel for Conservatee,
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In re the Conservatorship of the Estate of

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Conservatee.

Case No. BP 108870

**ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION TO
JAMES P. SPEARS**

(PROBATE CODE §2641, *et seq.*)

Date: April 29, 2014
Time: 8:30 A.M.
Dept.: 9
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Superior Court of California
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Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk
By: Sheron L. Williams Deputy
SHERON L. WILLIAMS

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1 The Petition for Allowance of Compensation to James P. Spears filed by James P. Spears,
2 Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of the Estate of Britney Jean Spears ("Ms.
3 Spears"), Conservatee by and through his attorneys of record, and Andrew M. Wallet, Co-
4 Conservator of the Estate of Britney Jean Spears, Conservatee (jointly, the "Conservators"),
5 pursuant to Probate Code Sections 2640, 2641, *et seq.* came on regularly before this Court on
6 April 29, 2014, at 8:30 A.M. of the above entitled court. Geraldine A. Wyle and Jeryll S. Cohen
7 of Hoffman, Sabban & Watenmaker APC appeared on behalf of James P. Spears in his above-
8 referenced capacities. Andrew M. Wallet of Hinojosa & Wallet appeared on behalf of Andrew
9 M. Wallet as Co-Conservator of the Estate of Ms. Spears. Samuel D. Ingham, III, appeared as the
10 court-appointed PVP counsel on behalf of Ms. Spears. The Honorable Reva G. Goetz presided.
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12 Having considered the records, the pleadings, the declarations and oral testimony,
13 including projected financial information, from proof made to the satisfaction of the Court, the
14 Court finds as follows:

- 15 1. All notices have been given as required by law;
- 16 2. Petitioner has performed and has agreed to perform the services set forth in the
17 petition with regard to Ms. Spears' performances at Planet Hollywood in Las Vegas from 2013-
18 2015 entitled "Piece of Me" and related activities (collectively, the "LV Show"), which services
19 are over and above the services he performs as Conservator of the Person and Co-Conservator of
20 the Estate, and he has submitted his declaration in good faith; and,
21 3. The services performed are necessary, for the benefit of Conservatee's person and
22 estate, and are in her best interest.

23 **WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:**


- 24 1. That Mr. Spears' Compensation as set forth in previous orders, including without
25 limitation the Minute Order dated October 29, 2013, and the authority to continue payment to Mr.
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1 Spears through his personal services corporation, Spears Management, Inc., in the amount of
2 \$16,000 per month on account plus \$2,000 per month in office expenses, is confirmed and to
3 remain in full force and effect unless otherwise modified by the Court.

4 2. That the Court allows and approves additional compensation to Mr. Spears, through
5 Spears Management, Inc., for his services rendered in relation to the LV Show from the revenues
6 generated by the LV Show in the amount of 1.5% of the gross revenues from the performances
7 and merchandise associated with the LV Show, less the amortization of preproduction expenses
8 and running show costs for the sound and lights; and
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10 Good cause appearing, IT IS SO ORDERED.

11 DATED: 4/29/14
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16 THE HON. REVA G. GOETZ
17 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
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