

The relief described hereinbelow is SO ORDERED

Done this 13th day of December, 2012.



**William R. Sawyer**  
**United States Bankruptcy Judge**

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**  
**MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**In Re:** ) **Case No: 11-12254-WRS-11**  
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**SMALL LOANS, INC., et al.** ) **Chapter 11**  
 )  
**Debtors.** ) **Jointly Administered**

**ORDER GRANTING FIRST INTERIM APPLICATION OF CHRISTIAN & SMALL LLP, ATTORNEYS FOR CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE, FOR INTERIM ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**

The First Interim Application of Christian & Small LLP, Attorneys for Chapter 11 Trustee, for Interim Allowance of Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses [ECF Docket No. 604] (the "First Interim Application") was filed on October 19, 2012.

As authorized by the Order Granting Chapter 11 Trustee's Motion Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016(a) for Entry of an Order Under Sections 105(a) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code Establishing Procedures for Allowance and Payment of Interim Compensation and Expenses [ECF Docket No. 464] (the "Interim Compensation Order"), Christian & Small LLP included a negative notice legend prominently displayed on the first page of its First Interim Application. The negative notice legend provided an objection deadline of twenty one (21) days from the date of filing, or November 9, 2012 (the "Objection Deadline"), regarding the First Interim Application.

No objections were filed regarding the First Interim Application prior to the Objection Deadline and the Bankruptcy Administrator has filed a Response to the First Interim Application [ECF Docket No. 642] recommending that the First Interim Application be approved (the "Bankruptcy Administrator's Response")

The Court, having considered the relief requested in the First Interim Application and the Bankruptcy Administrator's Response, having determined that no objections were filed regarding the First Interim Application prior to the Objection Deadline, and it appearing that the fees and expenses sought by Christian & Small LLP are for actual and necessary services rendered and expenses incurred by Christian & Small LLP on behalf of the Chapter 11 Trustee in this case; and it further appearing that the First Interim Application conforms with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the local rules of practice of this Court, and applicable case law regarding allowance and payment of professional fees and expenses in bankruptcy cases, it is

**ORDERED** that the First Interim Application is **APPROVED and GRANTED** on the terms set forth herein, and it is **FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331, Christian & Small LLP is awarded interim compensation in the amount of \$123,219.50 in fees and \$5,814.12 in expenses, for a total award of \$129,033.62 (the "Award"), incurred relating to its duties as attorneys for the Chapter 11 Trustee for the period of May 1, 2012 through August 31, 2012; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Award is an administrative expense of the estates of Small Loans, Inc., The Money Tree, Inc., The Money Tree of Louisiana, Inc., The Money Tree of Florida Inc., and The Money Tree of Georgia Inc. (collectively, the "Debtors") for which the Estates are jointly and severally responsible; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Chapter 11 Trustee is authorized and directed to immediately pay the amount of the Award to Christian & Small LLP.

###END OF ORDER###

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