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02-CV-2023-901332.00

Judge: MICHAEL A YOUNGPETER

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NOTICE OF COURT ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA

SYNOVUS CORPORATE TRUST V. WATER WORKS AND SEWER BOARD OF CITY OF PRIC
02-CV-2023-901332.00

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ORDER

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Disposition: GRANTED IN PART
Judge: MAY
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SYNOVUS CORPORATE TRUST,
Plaintiff,

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Case No.: CV-2023-901332.00

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WATER WORKS AND SEWER BOARD
OF CITY OF PRICHARD,
Defendant.

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ORDER

The Defendant's "Emergency Motion for an Order to Prevent Synovus Bank's Unreasonable Attorney Fees Being Charged to [Defendant]" is **GRANTED IN PART**. Based upon the evidence provided during the October 2023 hearing, the Court finds that a reasonable rate for attorney fees in this type of action in Mobile, Alabama is in the range of \$450.00 to \$550.00 per hour, depending on the experience of the attorney.

Going forward, Synovus should reduce the hourly rates of its attorneys in accordance with that rate schedule and attorney experience level, and the Receiver is not authorized to pay attorney fee charges which exceed that rate range.

For now, the issue of looking backward for reimbursement of amounts previously paid by the Defendant (or Receiver) for Synovus' legal fees is put on hold, although the Receiver and Synovus are free to seek to negotiate some type of offset (subject to the Court's approval) in order to forestall or limit a future disgorgement by Synovus.

DONE this 4th day of January, 2024.

/s/ MICHAEL A YOUNGPETER
CIRCUIT JUDGE