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The following constitutes the ruling of the court and has the force and effect therein described.

Signed November 23, 2022

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1

Reorganized Debtor.

MARC S. KIRSCHNER, AS LITIGATION TRUSTEE OF THE LITIGATION SUB-TRUST,

Plaintiff,

v.

JAMES D. DONDERO; MARK A. OKADA; SCOTT ELLINGTON; ISAAC LEVENTON; GRANT JAMES SCOTT III; STRAND ADVISORS, INC.; NEXPOINT ADVISORS, L.P.; **HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT FUND** ADVISORS, L.P.: DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST AND NANCY DONDERO, AS **TRUSTEE OF DUGABOY** INVESTMENT TRUST; GET GOOD TRUST AND GRANT JAMES SCOTT III, AS TRUSTEE OF GET TRUST: HUNTER **GOOD MOUNTAIN** INVESTMENT TRUST; MARK & PAMELA OKADA

Chapter 11

Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

Adv. Pro. No. 21-03076-sgj

STIPULATION AND PROPOSED THIRD AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER

The last four digits of the Reorganized Debtor's taxpayer identification number are (8357). The Reorganized Debtor is a Delaware limited partnership. The Reorganized Debtor's headquarters and service address are 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850, Dallas, TX 75201.



FAMILY TRUST – EXEMPT TRUST #1 AND LAWRENCE TONOMURA AS TRUSTEE OF MARK & PAMELA OKADA FAMILY TRUST – EXEMPT TRUST #1; MARK & PAMELA OKADA FAMILY TRUST - EXEMPT TRUST #2 AND LAWRENCE TONOMURA IN HIS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE OF MARK & PAMELA OKADA FAMILY TRUST -EXEMPT TRUST #2; CLO HOLDCO, LTD.; CHARITABLE DAF HOLDCO, LTD.; CHARITABLE LP.; FUND, HIGHLAND **DALLAS** FOUNDATION; RAND PE FUND I, LP, SERIES 1; MASSAND CAPITAL, LLC; MASSAND CAPITAL, INC.; AND SAS ASSET RECOVERY, LTD.,

Defendants.

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This stipulation and proposed third amended scheduling order (the "Stipulation") is made and entered into, subject to Court approval, in the above-captioned adversary proceeding (the "Adversary Proceeding") by and among Marc S. Kirschner, as Litigation Trustee of the Litigation Sub-Trust (the "Trustee"), and James D. Dondero; Mark A. Okada; Scott Ellington; Isaac Leventon; Grant James Scott III; Strand Advisors, Inc.; NexPoint Advisors, L.P.; Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P.; Dugaboy Investment Trust and Nancy Dondero, as Trustee of Dugaboy Investment Trust; Get Good Trust and Grant James Scott III, As Trustee of Get Good Trust: Hunter Mountain Investment Trust: Mark & Pamela Okada Family Trust - Exempt Trust #1 and Lawrence Tonomura, as Trustee of Mark & Pamela Okada Family Trust – Exempt Trust #1; Mark & Pamela Okada Family Trust – Exempt Trust #2 and Lawrence Tonomura, as Trustee of Mark & Pamela Okada Family Trust – Exempt Trust #2; CLO Holdco, Ltd.; Charitable DAF Holdco, Ltd.; Charitable DAF Fund, L.P.; Highland Dallas Foundation; and Rand PE Fund I, LP, Series 1 (each, a "Defendant" and collectively, the "Defendants," and with the Trustee, the "Parties"), by and through their respective undersigned counsel. In support of the Stipulation, the Parties respectfully state as follows:

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2019, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("<u>HCMLP</u>"), filed a voluntary petition for relief under title 11 of the United States Code with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The case was subsequently transferred to the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division and captioned *In re Highland Capital Management, L.P.*, Case No. 19-34054-sgj11;

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, the Court confirmed HCMLP's *Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization* [Docket No. 1943] (the "<u>Plan</u>") which, among other things, established the

Litigation Sub-Trust (as defined in the Plan) for the benefit of the Claimant Trust Beneficiaries (as defined in the Plan).

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2021, the Trustee commenced the Adversary Proceeding by filing a complaint against Defendants [Docket No. 1];

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2021, the Clerk of Court for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas issued the *Summons In An Adversary Proceeding* [Docket No. 3];

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2021, the Court entered the *Order Regarding Adversary Proceedings Trial Setting and Alternative Scheduling Order* [Docket No. 4] which, among other things, sets forth an Alternative Scheduling Order that applies to the Adversary Proceeding "[i]f the [P]arties do not submit a proposed scheduling order or do not schedule a status conference with the Court to discuss the provisions and deadlines of a scheduling order within forty-five days of the filing of this [A]dversary [P]roceeding";

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2021, the Trustee filed the *Stipulation and Proposed Scheduling Order* [Docket No. 21], setting forth a proposed schedule mutually agreed to by the Parties;

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2021, the Court entered the *Order Approving Adversary Proceedings Trial Setting and Alternative Scheduling Order* (the "Scheduling Order") [Docket No. 22];

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2022, the Court entered the Amended Scheduling Order (the "First Amended Scheduling Order") [Docket No. 81];

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2022, the Trustee filed the *Amended Complaint and Objection to Claims* [Docket No. 158];

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WHEREAS, on June 20, 2022, the Parties filed the *Stipulation and Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order* [Docket No. 162], setting forth a proposed schedule mutually agreed to by the Parties;

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2022, the Court entered the *Stipulation and Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order* (the "Second Amended Scheduling Order") [Docket No. 167];

WHEREAS, the Parties have met and conferred as to proposed amendments to the Second Amended Scheduling Order, and have mutually agreed to the schedule as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby stipulated and agreed, and upon approval by the Court it shall be **SO ORDERED:**

1. <u>Proposed Third Amended Scheduling Order.</u> The Parties agree to the following proposed scheduling order (the "<u>Proposed Third Amended Scheduling Order</u>"):

Event	Deadline
Substantial Completion of Fact Document	Wednesday April 5, 2023
Discovery	
Start of Fact Depositions	Earlier of Wednesday, May 3, 2023 or decision
	on the last outstanding motion to dismiss
Completion of Fact Depositions	Friday, August 4, 2023
Deadline to Exchange Names and Addresses of	Wednesday, October 11, 2023
Experts and Expert Witness Reports	
Deadline to Exchange Names and Addresses of	Wednesday, December 6, 2023
Rebuttal Experts and Rebuttal Expert Witness	
Reports	
Expert Discovery Closes	Thursday, January 18, 2024
Dispositive Motion Deadline	Thursday, February 15, 2024
Deadline to File a Response to Dispositive	Thursday, April 11, 2024
Motions	
Deadline to File a Reply in Support of	Thursday, May 9, 2024
Dispositive Motions	
Last Date For Hearings on Dispositive Motions	Friday, June 7, 2024
(subject to the Court's schedule)	
Deadline to Exchange Expert and Witness Lists	Friday, June 14, 2024
Joint Pretrial Order Deadline	Monday, July 1, 2024
Written Proposed Findings of Fact and	Monday, July 1, 2024
Conclusions of Law Deadline	
Docket call	Monday, July 8, 2024 at 1:30 pm ²

- 2. Pending approval of this Stipulation by the Court, each of the Parties agrees that it is and will be bound by this Stipulation and waives any right to object to approval by the Court. In the event that this Stipulation is not approved by the Court, it will be null and void and have no force or effect whatsoever except as may be otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties.
- 3. If approved by the Court, the Proposed Third Amended Scheduling Order shall be modified only by a writing signed by all Parties or further order of the Court.
- 4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of the Proposed Scheduling Order.

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² Subject to the Court's calendar.

Dated: November 18, 2022 Respectfully submitted,

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