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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES DONDERO, NANCY DONDERO, AND THE
DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,

Defendants.

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Adv. Proc. No. 21-03003-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-01010-E



HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT FUND
ADVISORS, L.P.,

Defendant.

Adv. Proc. No. 21-03004-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-00881-X

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

NEXPOINT ADVISORS, L.P., JAMES
DONDERO, NANCY DONDERO, AND
THE DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,

Defendants.

Adv. Proc. No. 21-03005-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-00880-C

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT
SERVICES, INC., JAMES DONDERO,
NANCY DONDERO, AND THE DUGABOY
INVESTMENT TRUST,

Defendants.

Adv. Proc. No. 21-03006-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-01378-N

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HCRE PARTNERS, LLC (n/k/a NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC), JAMES DONDERO, NANCY DONDERO, AND THE DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,

Defendants.

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Adv. Proc. No. 21-03007-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-01379-X

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.’S MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT IN NOTES ACTIONS

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland”, the “Reorganized Debtor”, or “Plaintiff”), the reorganized debtor in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”) and plaintiff in the above-referenced adversary proceedings (each, an “Adversary Proceeding” and collectively, the “Adversary Proceedings” or “Notes Actions”), respectfully files this motion (the “Motion”) seeking entry of an order, in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, granting partial summary judgment in favor of Highland on its First and Second Claims for Relief set forth in the Notes Actions for the above-captioned defendants’ (the “Defendants”) (i) breach of contract for Defendants’ failure to pay amounts due and owing under certain Notes,¹ and (ii) turnover pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 542(b) for turnover by Defendants to Highland an amount equal to all amounts due and owing under the Notes.

The Motion is made pursuant to Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rules 7056 and 9014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Rules 7056-1 and 9014-1 of the

¹ Terms not defined herein shall take the meanings ascribed thereto in *Highland Capital Management, L.P.’s Brief in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment in Notes Actions* (the “Brief”).

Local Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the “Local Bankruptcy Rules”), and Rules 56.1 through 56.7 of the Local Civil Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (the “Local Civil Rules”). The Motion is based on the records in the Bankruptcy Case and the Notes Actions, the Brief, the *Appendix of Exhibits in Support of Highland Capital Management, L.P.’s Motion for Partial Summary Judgment in Notes Actions* (the “Appendix”), the *Declaration of David Klos in Support of Highland Capital Management, L.P.’s Motion for Partial Summary Judgment in Notes Actions* (the “Klos Declaration”), and such further evidence as may be presented at or prior to the hearing on the Motion. Each of the matters required under Rule 7056-1(c)(1) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules and Rule 56.3(a) of the Local Civil Rules is set forth in the Brief.

WHEREFORE, Highland prays for judgment as follows:

- (i) On its First Claim for Relief, damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including, among other things, (a) the aggregate outstanding principal due under each Note, plus (b) all accrued and unpaid interest thereon until the date of payment, plus (c) an amount equal to the Highland’s costs of collection (including all court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees and expenses);
- (ii) On its Second Claim for Relief, ordering turnover by Defendants to Highland of an amount equal to (a) the aggregate outstanding principal due under each Note, plus (b) all accrued and unpaid interest thereon until the date of payment, plus (c) an amount equal to Highland’s costs of collection (including all court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees and expenses); and
- (iii) Ordering such further and additional relief as the Court deems just and appropriate.

Dated: December 17, 2021.

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EXHIBIT A

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Adv. Proc. No. 21-03006-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-01378-N

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Adv. Proc. No. 21-03007-sgj

Case No. 3:21-cv-01379-X

**ORDER GRANTING HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.’S
MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT IN NOTES ACTIONS**

This matter having come before the Court on the Motion for *Partial Summary Judgment in Notes Actions* (the “Motion”)¹ filed by Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland”, the “Reorganized Debtor”, or “Plaintiff”), the reorganized debtor in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”) and plaintiff in the above-referenced adversary proceedings (each, an “Adversary Proceeding” and collectively, the “Adversary Proceedings” or “Notes Actions”); and the Court having considered (a) Highland’s Motion, its Brief, the Klos Declaration, and the evidence submitted in support of the Motion, (b) all responses to the Motion and any evidence

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Order shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

submitted in support of such responses, (c) all replies and other materials filed in connection with the Motion, and (d) the arguments presented by counsel at the hearing on the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction over this matter; and venue of the Motion being proper; and adequate notice of the Motion having been given; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.
2. On its First Claim for Relief, Highland is entitled to damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including, among other things, (a) the aggregate outstanding principal due under each Note, plus (b) all accrued and unpaid interest thereon until the date of payment, plus (c) an amount equal to the Highland's costs of collection (including all court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses).
3. On its Second Claim for Relief, Defendants are ordered to turn over to Highland, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 542(b), an amount equal to (a) the aggregate outstanding principal due under each Note, plus (b) all accrued and unpaid interest thereon until the date of payment, plus (c) an amount equal to Highland's costs of collection (including all court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses).

End of Order