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

In re:	§	Chapter 11
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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
	§	
Debtor.	§	
	§	
THE CHARITABLE DAF FUND, L.P.	§	
	§	
Plaintiff,	§	Adversary Proceeding No.
	§	
vs.	§	22-03052-sgj11
	§	
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	
	§	

**APPELLANT’S STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND
DESIGNATION OF RECORD ON APPEAL**

Pursuant to Rules 8009(a)(1)(A)-(B) and (a)(4) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, The Charitable DAF Fund, L.P. (“Appellant”) hereby designates the following items to be included in the record and identifies the following issues with respect to its appeal of the Order Granting Defendant’s Amended Motion to Dismiss Adversary Proceeding [Doc.43] which



was entered by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas on September 30, 2022.

I. STATEMENT OF ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED ON APPEAL

Whether the Bankruptcy Court erred in granting Defendant’s Amended Motion to Dismiss Adversary Proceeding.

II. DESIGNATION OF ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD

1. Notice of Appeal for Bankruptcy Case Adversary Proceeding No. 21-03067-sgj11 [Doc. 46].
2. The judgment, order, or decree appealed from: Order Granting Amended Motion to Dismiss Adversary Proceeding [Doc. 43].
3. Any opinion, findings of fact and conclusions of law of the bankruptcy court relating to the issues on appeal, including transcripts of all oral rulings: Transcript regarding hearing on Amended Motion to Dismiss Adversary Proceeding [Doc. 41].
3. Docket Sheet kept by the Bankruptcy Clerk.
4. Documents listed below and as described in the Docket Sheet for Bankruptcy Case Proceeding No. 22-03052-sgj.

No.	Date Filed	Docket No.	Description/Document Text
1	5/25/22 (7/22/21)	1	(18 pgs; 4 docs) Adversary case 22-03052. ORDER REFERRING CASE 3:21-CV-1710-N from U.S District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division to U.S. Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division and Complaint by Charitable DAF Fund, LP against Highland Capital Management, L.P. Fee Amount \$350 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Original Complaint # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet # <u>3</u> Docket Sheet from 21-CV-1710). Nature(s) of suit: 02 (Other (e.g., other actions that would have been brought in state court if unrelated to bankruptcy)). (Okafor, Marcey)
2	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	8	(8 pgs; 2 docs) MOTION for Reconsideration re 7 Order on Motion to Stay (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Stay Order) filed by Highland Capital Management LP (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A) Attorney Zachery Z. Annable added to party Highland Capital Management LP(pty: dft) (Annable, Zachery)

			[ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #8 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
3	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	9	(15 pgs) Brief/Memorandum in Support filed by Highland Capital Management LP re 8 MOTION for Reconsideration re 7 Order on Motion to Stay (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Stay Order) (Annable, Zachery) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #9 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
4	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	10	(1012 pgs; 28 docs) Appendix in Support filed by Highland Capital Management LP re 8 MOTION for Reconsideration re 7 Order on Motion to Stay (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Stay Order) (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2 # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4 # <u>5</u> Exhibit 5 # <u>6</u> Exhibit 6 # <u>7</u> Exhibit 7 # <u>8</u> Exhibit 8 # <u>9</u> Exhibit 9 # <u>10</u> Exhibit 10 # <u>11</u> Exhibit 11 # <u>12</u> Exhibit 12 # <u>13</u> Exhibit 13 # <u>14</u> Exhibit 14 # <u>15</u> Exhibit 15 # <u>16</u> Exhibit 16 # <u>17</u> Exhibit 17 # <u>18</u> Exhibit 18 # <u>19</u> Exhibit 19 # <u>20</u> Exhibit 20 # <u>21</u> Exhibit 21 # <u>22</u> Exhibit 22 # <u>23</u> Exhibit 23 # <u>24</u> Exhibit 24 # <u>25</u> Exhibit 25 # <u>26</u> Exhibit 26 # <u>27</u> Exhibit 27) (Annable, Zachery) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #10 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION](Okafor, Marcey)
5	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	11	(8 pgs; 2 docs) MOTION to Dismiss (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Dismiss) filed by Highland Capital Management LP (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A) (Annable, Zachery) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #11 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
6	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	12	(10 pgs) Brief/Memorandum in Support filed by Highland Capital Management LP re 11 MOTION to Dismiss (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Dismiss) (Annable, Zachery [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #12 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
7	5/25/22 (10/5/21)	13	((238 pgs; 4 docs) Appendix in Support filed by Highland Capital Management LP re 11 MOTION to Dismiss (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Dismiss) (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2 # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3)

			(Annable, Zachery) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #13 ON 10/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
8	5/25/22 (10/27/21)	15	(3 pgs) RESPONSE filed by Charitable DAF Fund LP re: 8 MOTION for Reconsideration re 7 Order on Motion to Stay (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Stay Order) (Sbaiti, Mazin) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #15 ON 10/27/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
9	5/25/22 (11/5/21)	16	(7 pgs) REPLY filed by Highland Capital Management LP re: 8 MOTION for Reconsideration re 7 Order on Motion to Stay (Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Stay Order) (Annable, Zachery) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #16 ON 11/05/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (Okafor, Marcey)
10	5/25/22 (11/21/21)	18	(2 pgs) ORDER re: 8 Motion for Reconsideration. The Court grants Defendant's motion, lifts the stay, and refers this case to Judge Stacey G.C. Jernigan of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, to be adjudicated as a matter related to the Chapter 11 Bankruptcy of HCM., Chapter 11 Case No. 10-34054. The Clerk of this Court and the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court to which this case is referred are directed to take such actions as are necessary to docket this matter as an Adversary Proceeding associated with the aforementioned consolidated bankruptcy case. (Ordered by Judge David C Godbey on 5/19/2022) (oyh) (Main Document 18 replaced on 5/23/2022) (twd). (Entered: 05/20/2022) [ORIGINALLY FILED IN 21-CV-1710 AS #18 ON 11/21/2021 IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, DALLAS DIVISION] (*ERROR IN ENTRY: CORRECT CASE NUMBER IS: 19-34054*) (Okafor, Marcey)
11	5/27/22	19	(8 pgs; 2 docs) Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (Attachments:# <u>1</u> Exhibit A--Proposed Order) (Annable, Zachery)
12	5/27/22	20	(12 pgs) Brief in support filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>)). (Annable, Zachery)

13	5/27/22	21	(637 pgs) Support/supplemental document (<i>Appendix in Support of Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Amended Motion to Dismiss</i>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>)). (Annable, Zachery)
14	6/1/22	23	(6 pgs; 2 docs) Notice of hearing filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.). Hearing to be held on 8/3/2022 at 02:30 PM at https://us.courts.webex.com/meet/jerniga for <u>19</u> and for <u>19</u> , (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A)(Hayward, Melissa)
15	7/5/22	30	(12 pgs) Response opposed to (related document(s): <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.) filed by Plaintiff Charitable DAF Fund, LP . (Ecker, C.) (Entered: 07/06/2022)
16	7/26/22	31	(15 pgs) Reply to (related document(s): <u>30</u> Response filed by Plaintiff Charitable DAF Fund, LP) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.. (Annable, Zachery)
17	7/26/22	32	(865 pgs) Support/supplemental document (<i>Amended Appendix in Support of Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Amended Motion to Dismiss</i>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (RE: related document(s) <u>21</u> Support/supplemental document). (Annable, Zachery)
18	8/1/22	34	(867 pgs; 23 docs) Witness and Exhibit List (<i>Reorganized Debtor's Witness and Exhibit List with Respect to Evidentiary Hearing to Be Held on August 3, 2022</i>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>)). (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2 # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4 # <u>5</u> Exhibit 5 # <u>6</u> Exhibit 6 # <u>7</u> Exhibit 7 # <u>8</u> Exhibit 8 # <u>9</u> Exhibit 9 # <u>10</u> Exhibit 10 # <u>11</u> Exhibit 11 # <u>12</u> Exhibit 12 # <u>13</u> Exhibit 13 # <u>14</u> Exhibit 14 # <u>15</u> Exhibit 15 # <u>16</u> Exhibit 16 # <u>17</u> Exhibit 17 # <u>18</u> Exhibit 18 # <u>19</u> Exhibit 19 # <u>20</u> Exhibit 20 # <u>21</u> Exhibit 21 # <u>22</u> Exhibit 22) (Annable, Zachery)
19	8/3/22	37	Hearing held on 8/3/2022. (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.) (Appearances: G. Demo and Z. Annabel for Movant/Highland; J. Bridges for Respondant/Charitable DAF. Evidentiary hearing. Motion granted. Court to issue Opinion and Order.) (Edmond, Michael)

20	8/3/22	40	(1 pg) Court admitted exhibits date of hearing August 3, 2022 (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Amended Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (related document(s): <u>11</u>) filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A--Proposed Order)) COURT ADMITTED EXHIBIT 17. COURT TOOK JUDICIAL NOTICE OF EXHIBITS 1-13, 21 AND 22. (Ellison, T.) (Entered: 08/04/2022)
21	9/30/22	42	(28 pgs) Memorandum of opinion regarding Defendant's amended motion to dismiss adversary proceeding (RE: related document(s) <u>19</u> Motion to dismiss adversary proceeding filed by Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.). Entered on 9/30/2022 (Okafor, Marcey)

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically through the Court's ECF system, which provides notice to all parties of interest, on this 18th day of October, 2022.

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