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

In re:	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.	Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ)
Reorganized Debtor.	
MARC S. KIRSCHNER, AS LITIGATION TRUSTEE OF THE LITIGATION SUB- TRUST,	Adv. Pro. No. 21-03076-sgj
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 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 #1; MARK & PAMELA OKADA FAMILY TRUST – EXEMPT TRUST #2; CLO HOLDCO, LTD.; CHARITABLE DAF HOLDCO, LTD.; CHARITABLE DAF HOLDCO, LTD.; CHARITABLE DAF FUND, LP.; HIGHLAND DALLAS FOUNDATION; RAND PE FUND I, LP, SERIES 1; MASSAND CAPITAL, LLC; MASSAND CAPITAL, INC.; AND SAS ASSET	



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RECOVERY, LTD.,

Defendants.

## NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENA TO PROCUDE DOCUMENTS, INFORMATION, OR OBJECTS OR TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF PREMISES TO JOHN DUBEL

Defendants James Dondero, Scott Ellington, Isaac Leventon, Strand Advisors, Inc, Nexpoint Advisors, L.P., Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., Dugaboy Investment Trust, Get Good Trust, Hunter Mountain Investment Trust, Rand PE Fund I, LP, Series 1, Counsel to CLO Holdco, Ltd., Highland Dallas Foundation, Charitable DAF Fund, LP, Charitable DAF Holdco, Ltd., Mark Okada, The Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust – Exempt Trust #1, and The Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust – Exempt Trust #2, by and through their attorneys of record listed on Exhibit 1, intend to serve the Subpoena attached hereto as Attachment "A," pursuant to Rule 45 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, as made applicable by Rule 9016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, on John Dubel.

Dated: February 8, 2023

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on February 8, 2023, a true and correct copy of this document was served electronically via the Court's CM/ECF system to the parties registered or otherwise entitled to receive electronic notices in this case.

> /s/ Amy L. Ruhland Amy L. Ruhland (Rudd)

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#### <u>Exhibit 1</u>

The name, address, email address, and telephone number of the attorneys representing the parties who issue or request this subpoena are:

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# **PROPOSED PRODUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR ELECTRONICALLY STORED INFORMATION ("ESI") AND HARD COPY DOCUMENTS**

# A. DOCUMENT CATEGORIES

#### 1. Email, Attachments, and Other Electronic Messages

Email and other electronic messages (*e.g.*, instant messages (IMs)) should be produced as image files with related searchable text, metadata and bibliographic information. Depending on how the company's systems represent names in email messages or IMs, we may require a table of names or contact lists from custodians. Electronic messages include, but are not limited to, messages sent via (a) Android/Google Messages, Blackberry Messenger, Discord, Facebook Messager, GroupMe, iMessage, IMO, KIK, Samsung Messaging, Signal, Skype, Telegram Viber, WeChat, WhatsApp, and any other short messaging service (SMS) application, and (b) any business messaging platforms including Bloomberg IM, Chanty, Google Chat, MS Teams, Rocket, Slack, Yammer and any other comparable application.

Email repositories, also known as email databases (*e.g.*, Outlook .PST, Lotus .NSF), can contain a variety of items, including messages, calendars, contacts, tasks, etc. For purposes of production, responsive items should include the "Email" metadata/database fields outlined in the Metadata Table, including but not limited to all parent items (mail, calendar, contacts, tasks, notes, etc.) and child files (attachments of files to email or other items), with the parent/child relationship preserved. Similar items found and collected outside an email repository

(e.g., .MSG, .EML, .HTM, .MHT) should be produced in the same manner.

## 2. <u>Electronic Documents</u>

Electronic documents include word-processing documents, spreadsheets, presentations, and all other electronic documents not specifically discussed elsewhere. Production of these items should include image files with related searchable text, metadata, and bibliographic information. All passwords and encryption must be removed from electronic documents prior to production. Please note the following:

- a. Presentations -- Presentations should be produced in full slide image format along with speaker notes (which should follow the full images of the slides) with related searchable text, metadata, and bibliographic information. Presentations should also be produced in native format (*e.g.*, as .PPT files). The linked native file name should match the BEGDOC#/DOCID with the appropriate file extension.
- b. Spreadsheet Files -- Spreadsheets should be produced in native format (*e.g.*, as .XLSX files), with searchable text for the entire document, metadata, and bibliographic information. Provide a single placeholder image. The placeholder image must contain at a minimum the BEGDOC#, FILENAME, and FILEPATH. The Bates range for a spreadsheet should be a single number (*e.g.*, ABC00000001 ABC00000001). The linked native file
  - name should match the BEGDOC#/DOCID with the appropriate file extension.
- c. Hidden Files -- All hidden text (*e.g.*, track changes, hidden columns, hidden slides, mark-ups, notes) shall be expanded and rendered in the extracted text file. For files that cannot be expanded linked native files shall be produced with the image files.

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- d. Embedded Files -- All embedded objects (*e.g.*, graphical files, Word documents, Excel spreadsheets, .wav files) that are found within a file shall be produced so as to maintain the integrity of the source document as a single document. For purposes of production the embedded files shall remain embedded as part of the original source document. Hyperlinked files must be produced as separate, attached documents. Any objects that cannot be rendered to images and extracted text (*e.g.*, .wav, .avi files) must be produced as separate extracted files treated as attachments to the original file.
- e. Image-Only Files -- All image-only files (non-searchable .PDFs, multi-page TIFFs, Snipping Tool screenshots, etc., as well as all other images that contain text) shall be produced with associated OCR text, metadata, and bibliographic information.
- f. Archive File Types -- Archive file types (*e.g.*, .zip, .rar) must be uncompressed for processing. Each file contained within an archive file should be produced as a child to the parent archive file. If the archive file is itself an attachment, that parent/child relationship must also be preserved.
- g. Non-Standard Files -- Non-standard electronic files include, but are not limited to, system files, source code, transactional data, database files, audio and video files, and proprietary applications not publicly available. Database files should be produced both in native format, where possible, and also exported and produced in .xlsx format. Upon request and demonstration of need, productions of these types of files will be negotiated between the parties to determine a reasonable production format. Note that some non-standard files may be included in the production as part of a native container file, such as ZIP or MSG files.

## 3. Hard-Copy (or Paper) Documents

Hard-copy documents are to be produced as black-and-white image files, except where noted below, with related searchable OCR text and bibliographic information. Special attention should be paid to ensure that hard-copy documents are produced as they are kept, reflecting attachment relationships between documents and information about the file folders within which each document is found. In addition, a multi-page document must be produced as a single document (*i.e.*, properly unitized) and not multiple single-page documents. Where the original document is in color, that image should be produced in color. These color images are to be produced as .jpg format. Hard-copy photographs should be produced as color .jpg, if originally in color, or grayscale .tif files if originally in black-and-white.

#### 4. Parent-Child Relationships

Ensure that the association of families (i.e., between emails and attachments are preserved.) Email attachments are consecutively produced with the parent email record.

## B. PRODUCTION FORMAT

#### 5. <u>Bates/Numbering Format</u>

- files are named according to the Bates number of the TIFF image or native.
- consistent across the production;
- contains no special characters; and
- is numerically sequential within a given document.

• attachments to documents are assigned Bates numbers that directly follow the Bates numbers on the documents to which they were attached.

# 6. <u>Image/Native File Specifications</u>

- Black-and-white Group IV Single-Page TIFFs (300 DPI). Color images should be provided in .JPG format for all native files containing color.
- Image file names should match the page identifier for that specific image and end with the .tif (or .jpg if needed) extension.
- File names cannot have embedded spaces, commas, underscores, ampersands, slashes, back slashes, hash marks, plus signs, percent signs, exclamation marks, any character used as a delimiter in the metadata load files, or any character not allowed in Windows file-naming convention. (, \_ & \/# + % ! : \* ? " <> |~ @ ^)
- Images for a given document must reside together in the same folder.
- The maximum number of image and native files should be limited to 5,000 per folder.
- Native file names should match the BEGDOC#/DOCID entry for that specific record and end with the appropriate file extension.
- Any encryption or password protection will be removed from all native format files produced.

#### 7. <u>Searchable Text File Specifications</u>

- Extracted text should be provided with all records, where available.
  - For hard copy documents, please provide OCR text.
  - For redacted documents, provide OCR text for the redacted version.
- There should be a single extracted/OCR text file per document, in ASCII Text format only.
- The name of the text file should be the same as the document's first page/Bates number, with a TXT extension: DOCID.TXT.
- There must be a carriage return and line feed (CRLF) no later than the 250th character of the first line of every text file.
- All soft and hard returns in the native electronic or image file should be replicated as a Carriage Return Line Feed (CRLF) in the text file (i.e. the lines of text in the file terminate with a CRLF in correlation with the appearance of the native electronic or rendered image file).
- Text files should include page breaks that correspond to the "pagination" of the image files.
- Place text files under a "FULLTEXT" folder and provide a Control List file for loading in the "LOADFILES" folder on the delivery media

## 8. Metadata Load File Delimiters (.dat)

- Field Separator ¶ (ASCII 020)
- Text Qualifier þ (ASCII 254)
- Substitute Carriage Return or New Line in data ® (ASCII 174)
- Multi-value separator (Do Not Follow with Space); (ASCII 059)
- Date format MMDDYYY (date type fields only)
- Time format HH:MM:SS in 24-hour format (e.g., 04:32 pm formatted to

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16:32:00 – Do not include AM, PM, or Timezone indicators). All times should be normalized to the UTC time standard.

- There should be one line for every record in the load file. A carriage return and line feed (CRLF) must appear at the end of each record and only at the end of each record.
- The first row of each metadata load file should be a header row containing the field names. Field names must match Division Metadata Table field names.
- All requested fields should be present in the metadata load file whether data exists or not. Field order must remain consistent in subsequent productions.

# 9. Opticon Image Load File (.opt)

- ImageFilePath The path to the image from the root of the delivery media.
- DocumentBreak The letter "Y" denotes the first page of a document. If this field is blank the page is not the first page of a document.
- PageCount Optional
- Example ABC00000001, ABC001,.\Images\001\ ABC00000001.tif,Y,,,

#### 10. <u>Standard Field List</u>

FieldName	Field Name Description
BEGBATES	Unique beginning document or production number
ENDBATES	Ending document or production number
BEGATTACH	Displays BEGBATES # of parent record.
ENDATTACH	ENDBATES # of last attached document in a family.
ATTACHRANGE	Stores BegBates # of parent record and EndDoc# of last attachment
Is Parent	Yes/No field; Identifies parent document (only need to populate yes for parent documents)
PARENT ID	The first document/bates number for each parent record; populated only for attachments
CHILD ID	First document/bates number of each attachment, separated by semicolons.
Attach	Populates parent records with original filenames of all attached records, separated by semi-colons
NUMATTACH	Total number of records attached to the document
CUSTODIAN	Source or Owner of Data
ALL CUSTODIAN	A list of all the owners of the documents (separated by semi-colons)
EMAILTO	Main recipient(s) of the email message
EMAILFROM	Author of email message
EMAILCC	Recipient(s) of "Carbon copies" of the email message
EMAILBCC	Recipient(s) of "Blind Carbon copies" of the email message
EMAILSUBJECT	Subject of email message
DATETIMESENT	Sent date and time of an email message using this format DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM (using 24 hour clock)

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DATETIMERECEIVED	Received date and time of an email message using this
DATETIWERECEIVED	format DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM (using 24 hour clock) Creation date and time of the native file using this format
DATETIMECREATED	DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM (using 24 hour clock)
DATECREATED	Creation date of the native file
TIMECREATED	Creation time of the native file
	Date and time of the native file was last modified using this
DATETIMEMODIFIED	format DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM (using 24 hour clock)
LASTAUTHOR	Last author who modified the document
DATESORT	Parent Date is populated for all family members (If e-mail "DATESENT," if loose "DATEMODIFIED"
FILENAME	Original filename of native file. Contains subject of email message for email records.
DOCEXT	File extension of native file.
AUTHOR	Author field value pulled from metadata of the native file
FILERECORDTYPE	I.E. "e-jail" or "E-mail attachment" or "Loose File"
File Size	size of the file (KB)
DocumentSubject	Loose Files: Subject field value extracted from metadata of native field.
PGCOUNT	Number of pages in a document (image records)
Comments	Comments field value pulled from the metadata of the native file
EntryID	Unique identifier of emails in mail stores
FileDescription	Description of native file types as listed in file type database
MD5HASH	MD5HASH
TIME ZONE	Time zone processed (note all times should be normalized to the UTC time standard)
ORIGINAL FOLDER PATH	Fully qualified original path to the source folder, files, and/or mail stores
	A list of all the native file paths to the document as
ALLPATHS	it was kept in the ordinary course of business
	(including documents removed through deduplication). To the extent you are unable to
	provide native file paths for deduplicated
	documents, produce all versions of such document
	with unique metadata, including native file path.
TITLE	Title field value extracted from the metadata of the native file (includes document title and/or title of the file)
Conversation	Normalized subject of e-mails
Conversation Index	Email thread identification
DateAppStart	Appointment start date for calendar items
DateAppEnd	Appointment end date for calendar items
DelivReceipt	Delivery receipt request notification
HiddenText	Yes/No field; Identifies if the document contains hidden content

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ISEMBEDDED	Yes/No field for identifying family members which are embedded
Importance	Importance field extracted from an email message
ReadReceipt	Read receipt request notification for email message
Revision	Revision number extracted from metadata of native file
Sensitivity	Sensitivity field extracted from email messages
SEARCH HITS	Multiple Choice filed, include all terms document hits
OCR PATH	Links text files
NATIVE PATH	Links native files

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT			
NORTHERN	District of	TEXAS	
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(Complete if issued in an adversary proceeding) MARC S. KIRSCHNER	Chapter	11	
Plaintiff v. JAMES D. DONDERO, et al. Defendant	Adv. Proc.	No. 21-03076-sgi	

## SUBPOENA TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS, INFORMATION, OR OBJECTS OR TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF PREMISES IN A BANKRUPTCY CASE (OR ADVERSARY PROCEEDING)

To: John Dubel c/o Richard Wynne, Hogan Lovells US LLP, 1999 Ave. of the Stars, Ste. 1400, Los Angeles, CA 90067 (*Name of person to whom the subpoena is directed*)

Production: YOU ARE COMMANDED to produce at the time, date, and place set forth below the following documents, electronically stored information, or objects, and to permit inspection, copying, testing, or sampling of the material: See Attachment A.

PLACE	DATE AND TIME	
DLA Piper, 550 South Hope St. Ste. 2400, Los Angeles, CA 90071	3/10/2023	10:00 am

Inspection of Premises: YOU ARE COMMANDED to permit entry onto the designated premises, land, or other property possessed or controlled by you at the time, date, and location set forth below, so that the requesting party may inspect, measure, survey, photograph, test, or sample the property or any designated object or operation on it.

PLACE	DATE AND TIME

The following provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 45, made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9016, are attached – Rule 45(c), relating to the place of compliance; Rule 45(d), relating to your protection as a person subject to a subpoena; and Rule 45(e) and 45(g), relating to your duty to respond to this subpoena and the potential consequences of not doing so.

Date: 2/8/2023

CLERK OF COURT

OR

		/s/ Amy R. Ruhland	
	Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk	Attorney's signature	
		Amy R. Ruhland	
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The name, address, email address, and telephone number of the attorney representing *(name of party)* James D. Dondero, et al. , who issues or requests this subpoena, are: Amy R. Ruhland, 303 Colorado St., Ste. 3000, Austin TX 78701, 512-457-7000, amy.ruhland@us.dlapiper

#### Notice to the person who issues or requests this subpoena

If this subpoena commands the production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or the inspection of premises before trial, a notice and a copy of this subpoena must be served on each party before it is served on the person to whom it is directed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(a)(4).

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(T)	nis section should not be fi	<b>PROOF OF SERVICE</b> iled with the court unless requi	ired by Fed. R. Civ. P. 45.)
I received this subpo on <i>(date)</i>		and title, if any):	
I served the subp	bena by delivering a copy to	o the named person as follows: _	
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Unless the subpoena witness the fees for c	was issued on behalf of the one day's attendance, and th	e United States, or one of its office the mileage allowed by law, in the	cers or agents, I have also tendered to the e amount of S
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I declare und		nis information is true and correc	et.
			Server's signature
			Printed name and title

Server's address

Additional information concerning attempted service, etc.:

# Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 45(c), (d), (e), and (g) (Effective 12/1/13) (made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Rule 9016, Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure)

#### (c) Place of compliance.

(1) For a Trial, Hearing, or Deposition. A subpoena may command a person to attend a trial, hearing, or deposition only as follows:

(A) within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; or

(B) within the state where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person, if the person

(i) is a party or a party's officer; or

(ii) is commanded to attend a trial and would not incur substantial expense.

#### (2) For Other Discovery. A subpoena may command:

(A) production of documents, or electronically stored information, or things at a place within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; and

(B) inspection of premises, at the premises to be inspected.

#### (d) Protecting a Person Subject to a Subpoena; Enforcement.

(1) Avoiding Undue Burden or Expense; Sanctions. A party or attorney responsible for issuing and serving a subpoena must take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to the subpoena. The court for the district where compliance is required must enforce this duty and impose an appropriate sanction which may include lost earnings and reasonable attorney's fees — on a party or attorney who fails to comply.

#### (2) Command to Produce Materials or Permit Inspection.

(A) Appearance Not Required. A person commanded to produce documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or to permit the inspection of premises, need not appear in person at the place of production or inspection unless also commanded to appear for a deposition, hearing, or trial.

(*B*) Objections. A person commanded to produce documents or tangible things or to permit inspection may serve on the party or attorney designated in the subpoena a written objection to inspecting, copying, testing or sampling any or all of the materials or to inspecting the premises — or to producing electronically stored information in the form or forms requested. The objection must be served before the earlier of the time specified for compliance or 14 days after the subpoena is served. If an objection is made, the following rules apply:

(i) At any time, on notice to the commanded person, the serving party may move the court for the district where compliance is required for an order compelling production or inspection.

(ii) These acts may be required only as directed in the order, and the order must protect a person who is neither a party nor a party's officer from significant expense resulting from compliance.

#### (3) Quashing or Modifying a Subpoena.

(*A*) When Required. On timely motion, the court for the district where compliance is required must quash or modify a subpoena that:

(i) fails to allow a reasonable time to comply;

(ii) requires a person to comply beyond the geographical limits specified in Rule 45(c);

(iii) requires disclosure of privileged or other protected matter, if no exception or waiver applies; or

(iv) subjects a person to undue burden.

*(B) When Permitted.* To protect a person subject to or affected by a subpoena, the court for the district where compliance is required may, on motion, quash or modify the subpoena if it requires:

(i) disclosing a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information; or

(ii) disclosing an unretained expert's opinion or information that does not describe specific occurrences in dispute and results from the expert's study that was not requested by a party.

(C) Specifying Conditions as an Alternative. In the circumstances described in Rule 45(d)(3)(B), the court may, instead of quashing or modifying a subpoena, order appearance or production under specified conditions if the serving party:

(i) shows a substantial need for the testimony or material that cannot be otherwise met without undue hardship; and

(ii) ensures that the subpoenaed person will be reasonably compensated.

#### (e) Duties in Responding to a Subpoena.

(1) Producing Documents or Electronically Stored Information. These procedures apply to producing documents or electronically stored information:

(*A*) *Documents*. A person responding to a subpoena to produce documents must produce them as they are kept in the ordinary course of business or must organize and label them to correspond to the categories in the demand.

*(B)* Form for Producing Electronically Stored Information Not Specified. If a subpoena does not specify a form for producing electronically stored information, the person responding must produce it in a form or forms in which it is ordinarily maintained or in a reasonably usable form or forms.

*(C) Electronically Stored Information Produced in Only One Form.* The person responding need not produce the same electronically stored information in more than one form.

*(D) Inaccessible Electronically Stored Information.* The person responding need not provide discovery of electronically stored information from sources that the person identifies as not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. On motion to compel discovery or for a protective order, the person responding must show that the information is not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. If that showing is made, the court may nonetheless order discovery from such sources if the requesting party shows good cause, considering the limitations of Rule 26(b)(2)(C). The court may specify conditions for the discovery.

#### (2) Claiming Privilege or Protection.

(A) Information Withheld. A person withholding subpoenaed information under a claim that it is privileged or subject to protection as trial-preparation material must:

(i) expressly make the claim; and

(ii) describe the nature of the withheld documents, communications, or tangible things in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the parties to assess the claim.

*(B) Information Produced.* If information produced in response to a subpoena is subject to a claim of privilege or of protection as trial-preparation material, the person making the claim may notify any party that received the information of the claim and the basis for it. After being notified, a party must promptly return, sequester, or destroy the specified information and any copies it has; must not use or disclose the information until the claim is resolved; must take reasonable steps to retrieve the information if the party disclosed it before being notified; and may promptly present the information under seal to the court for the district where compliance is required for a determination of the claim. The person who produced the information must preserve the information until the claim is resolved.

(g) Contempt. The court for the district where compliance is required – and also, after a motion is transferred, the issuing court – may hold in contempt a person who, having been served, fails without adequate excuse to obey the subpoena or an order related to it.

For access to subpoena materials, see Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(a) Committee Note (2013)

# Attachment A

# DEFINITIONS

The following definitions and rules of construction shall apply herein:

- 1. The terms "*all*," "*any*," and "*each*" shall each be construed as encompassing any and all. The connectives "*and*" and "*or*" shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of the discovery request all responses that might otherwise be construed to be outside of its scope. The use of the singular form of any word includes the plural and vice versa.
- The term "*document*" is defined to be synonymous in meaning and equal in scope to the usage of the term "documents or electronically stored information" in Fed. R. Civ. P. 34(a)(1)(A). A draft or non-identical copy is a separate document within the meaning of this term. A "*document*" shall be construed as a document and all attachments thereto.
- 3. The terms "*including*" and "*includes*" are used to provide examples of certain types of information and should not be construed as limiting a request in any way. The term "*including*" shall be construed as if followed by the phrase "but not limited to," irrespective of whether such phrase is explicitly stated or not.
- 4. "Highland" means Highland Capital Management, L.P.
- "Highland Bankruptcy" means In re Highland Capital Mgmt., L.P., Case No. 19-35054sgj11 (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Feb. 13, 2020); In re Highland Capital Mgmt., L.P., Case No. 19-12239 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Dec. 4, 2019).
- "Independent Board" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the Amended Complaint and Objection to Claims In re Kirschner v. Dondero, Adv. Proc. No. 21-03076-sgj (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Oct. 15, 2021) [Dkt. No. 158].
- 7. "Strand" means Strand Advisors, Inc.
- 8. "You" or "Your" means John Dubel and his agents and counsel.

# **REQUESTED DOCUMENTS**

- 1. All documents and communications reflecting or related to Your interactions with the Unsecured Creditors' Committee of Highland, including any member of such committee.
- 2. All documents and communications reflecting or related to Your interactions with any creditor of Highland in relation to the Highland Bankruptcy.
- 3. All documents and communications reflecting or related to Your role as a director of Strand and/or Highland during the Highland Bankruptcy, including but not limited to all

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documents and communications by and between You and any other member(s) of the Independent Board.

- 4. All documents and communications reflecting or related to any decision made or any action taken by the Independent Board in its capacity as the general partner of Highland.
- 5. All documents and communications reflecting or related to any information received by You in your role as a director of Strand.
- 6. All documents and communications relating to the financial condition of Highland during the Highland Bankruptcy.
- 7. All documents and communications relating to the settlement of any proofs of claim filed by the unsecured creditors of Highland.
- 8. All documents and communications relating to the sale of any allowed claims by members of the Unsecured Creditors Committee to any third party.