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

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,

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; FRANK WATERHOUSE; STRAND ADVISORS, INC.; NEXPOINT ADVISORS, L.P.; HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT ADVISORS, L.P.; DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST AND NANCY DONDERO, AS TRUSTEE 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 IN HIS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE OF MARK & PAMELA OKADA FAMILY TRUST - EXEMPT TRUST #2; CLO 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.; SAS ASSET RECOVERY, LTD.; AND CPCM, LLC,

Defendants.

Chapter 11

Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

Adv. Pro. No. 21-03076-sgj



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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENA TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS, INFORMATION, OR OBJECTS OR TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF PREMISES TO PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendants, Scott Ellington and Isaac Leventon, by and through their attorneys of record, intend to serve the Subpoena attached hereto as Exhibit "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 third-party, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP.

Dated: February 23, 2023

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 23, 2023, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served via electronic email through the Court's CM/ECF system to the parties that have requested or consented to such service.

/s/ Michelle Hartmann

Michelle Hartmann

EXHIBIT "A"

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Plaintiff	
V. James D. Dondero, et al.,	Adv. Proc. No. 21-03076-sgj
Defendant	
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To: Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP	
(Name of person to	whom the subpoena is directed)
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* In lieu of delivery of hard-copy documents, you may electronical	illy deliver the documents to counsel listed in Exhibit 1.
☐ Inspection of Premises: YOU ARE COMMANDED to	
other property possessed or controlled by you at the time, date	
may inspect, measure, survey, photograph, test, or sample the	property or any designated object or operation on it.
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	OR
	/s/ Michelle Hartmann
Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk	Attorney's signature Michelle Hartmann
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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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PROOF OF SERVICE

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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.

Attachment A

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions 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.
- 2. The term "document" is defined to be synonymous in meaning and equal 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. "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. "Acis" means Acis Capital Management, L.P., Acis Capital Management GP, LLC, and Joshua Terry.
- 5. "Complaint" means the Amended Complaint and Objection to Claims filed by Plaintiff in Adversary No. 21-03076 pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dkt. No. 158 (and as amended from time to time).
- 6. "Daugherty" means Patrick H. Daugherty.
- 7. "Defendant" means any defendant to the adversary proceeding captioned In re Kirschner v. Dondero, et al., Adv. Proc. No. 21-03076-sgj, pending in the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, including 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 #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; Rand PE Fudn I, LP, Series 1; Massand Capital, LLC; Massand Capital, Inc.; and SAS Asset Recovery, Ltd.

- 8. "*HarbourVest*" means HarbourVest 2017 Global Fund L.P., HarbourVest 2017, Global AIF L.P., HarbourVest Dover Street IX Investment L.P., HV International VIII Secondary L.P., HarbourVest Skew Base AIF L.P., HarbourVest Partners L.P., and HarbourVest Partners, LLC.
- 9. "HCMLP" means Highland Capital Management, L.P.
- 10. "Highland Bankruptcy" means In re Highland Capital Mgmt., L.P., Case No. 19-35054-sgj11 (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).
- 11. "*Highland Party*" means Highland Capital Management, L.P., any of its partners, general partners, subsidiaries, affiliates, managed or advised funds or accounts, employees, or professionals, including, but not limited to, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, Development Specialists Inc., James Seery, Russell Nelms, and John Dubel.
- 12. "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].
- 13. "Redeemer Committee" means the Redeemer Committee of the Highland Crusader Fund.
- 14. "UBS" means UBS AG London Branch and UBS Securities LLC.
- 15. "UCC Party" means the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the Highland Bankruptcy including each of its agents, members, and their respective agents. This specifically includes, but is not limited to, Sidley Austin LLP, FTI Consulting, Inc., any representative of Acis Capital Management, L.P., including at Winstead, P.C. (including attorney Rakhee Patel), Forshey Prostok LLP (including attorney Jeff Prostok), Rogge Dunn Group, PC (including attorney Brian Shaw), Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, L.L.P. (including attorney Brian Shaw), the Redeemer Committee, Jenner & Block LLP (including attorney Terri Mascherin), GCM Grosvenor, Grosvenor Capital Management LP, Eric Felton, Burke Montgomery, Stuart Robertson, UBS AG London Branch and UBS Securities LLC, including its counsel Latham & Watkins LLP (including attorney Andrew Clubok), Meta-e Discovery, LLC, Paul McVoy, and Morrison Cohen LLP.

REQUESTED DOCUMENTS

- 1. All documents and communications exchanged between any Highland Party and any UCC Party.
- 2. All documents and communications exchanged between any Highland Party and HarbourVest and/or its agents, representatives, or counsel.

- 3. All documents and communications exchanged between any Highland Party and Daugherty and/or his agents, representatives, or counsel.
- 4. All documents and communications exchanged between any Highland Party and any person or entity serving as a mediator or other third-party neutral with respect to any claim in the Highland Bankruptcy, including, but not limited to, Allan Gropper and Sylvia Mayer.
- 5. All documents and communications exchanged between any Highland Party and any counsel representing any Defendant (for the time period of 10/16/2019 2/28/2022) related to the factual allegations or causes of action asserted in the Complaint. This request is limited to counsel engaged by a Defendant in relation to the Highland Bankruptcy or any adversary proceeding related thereto.
- 6. All documents and communications exchanged with the Independent Board.
- 7. All documents and communications related to the preparation and/or presentation of any materials at a board meeting of the Independent Board.
- 8. All drafts and final analyses of the proofs of claim, including the litigation claims that formed the bases for such proofs of claim, of Acis, Daugherty, HarbourVest, the Redeemer Committee, and/or UBS.

Exhibit 1

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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