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In re:	§	
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§ §	Chapter 11
Debtor.	8 8	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§ §	
Plaintiff,	§ §	Civ. Act. No. 3:21-cv-00881-X
v.	§ §	(Consolidated with 3:21-cv-00880-X, 3:21-cv-01010-X, 3:21-cv-01378-X,
NEXPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P., et al.	888	3:21-ev-01379-X)
Defendants.	§	

JOINT AGREED EMERGENCY MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF STIPULATION REGARDING BRIEFING ON HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S MOTION TO DEEM THE DONDERO ENTITIES VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS AND FOR RELATED RELIEF

COME NOW Highland Capital Management L.P. ("Highland" or "Plaintiff"), on the one hand, and James Dondero, NexPoint Asset Management, L.P., NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Highland

Capital Management Services, Inc., NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, The Dugaboy Investment Trust, and Strand Advisors, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants" and together with Plaintiff, the "Parties"), on the other hand, by and through their respective undersigned counsel, filing this *Joint Agreed Emergency Motion for Approval of Stipulation Regarding Briefing on Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief* (the "Motion") seeking entry of an order from this Court, approving the *Stipulation Regarding Briefing on Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief* (the "Stipulation") executed by the Parties and attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**. In support of the Motion, the Parties respectfully state the following:

I. BACKGROUND

- 1. On October 16, 2019 (the "Petition Date"), Highland filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, Case No. 19-12239 (CSS).
- 2. The above-captioned cases were consolidated in this Court to, among other things, review certain reports and recommendations from the Bankruptcy Court.
- 3. On July 14, 2023, Plaintiff filed its *Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief in this Court* [Docket No. 136] ("Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion"), comprising 35 pages of text, an accompanying 16-page textual chart, and an appendix of cited materials.
- 4. Due to the significant number of issues raised by Plaintiff in Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigation Motion, the Parties have conferred in good faith and agree that, subject to the Court's approval, the page limit for Defendants' response to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion shall be modified as set forth below.

II. RELIEF REQUESTED

The Parties respectfully request that it enter an order directing that the page limit for Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion will be increased from 25 pages to 47 pages, with a no more than 2-page accompanying chart, as well as an appendix with cited materials.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request that the Court (i) grant the Motion; (ii) enter an order, substantially in the form of the Proposed Order attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**, approving the Stipulation; and (iii) grant such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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Dated: December 15, 2023

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on December 15, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via the Court's Electronic Case Filing system to the parties that are registered or otherwise entitled to receive electronic notices in this adversary proceeding.

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Exhibit 1

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STIPULATION REGARDING BRIEFING ON HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S MOTION TO DEEM THE DONDERO ENTITIES VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS AND FOR RELATED RELIEF

This Stipulation is entered into between Highland Capital Management, L.P., the plaintiff (the "Plaintiff" or "HCMLP") in the above-captioned consolidated action (the "Action"), on the

one hand, and James Dondero, NexPoint Asset Management, L.P., NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Highland Capital Management Services, Inc., NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, The Dugaboy Investment Trust, and Strand Advisors, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants" and together with Plaintiff, the "Parties"), on the other hand.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the above-captioned cases were consolidated in this Court to, among other things, review certain reports and recommendations from the Bankruptcy Court; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2023, Plaintiff filed its *Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief in this Court* [Docket No. 136] ("Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion") comprising 35 pages of text, an accompanying 16-page textual chart, and an appendix of cited materials;

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2023, Defendants will file a response to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion ("Defendants' Response") and

WHEREAS, the Parties have conferred in good faith and agree that the page limit for Defendants' Response will be extended as stated below.

STIPULATION

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and subject to the Court's approval, the Parties agree and stipulate as follows:

- 1. The page limit for Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion will be increased from 25 pages to 47 pages, with a no more than 2-page accompanying chart, and containing an appendix with cited materials; and
- 2. This stipulation does not affect or change the page limits for any other party responding to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion.

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Dated: December 14, 2024

CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:

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SO ORDERED:

U.S.D.J

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on December 14, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via the Court's Electronic Case Filing system to the parties that are registered or otherwise entitled to receive electronic notices in this adversary proceeding.

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Exhibit 2

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ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION REGARDING BRIEFING ON HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S MOTION TO DEEM THE DONDERO ENTITIES <u>VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS AND FOR RELATED RELIEF</u>

This matter having come before the Court on the Joint Agreed Emergency Motion for Approval of Stipulation Regarding Briefing on Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief (the "Motion") filed by Highland Capital Management L.P. ("Highland"), on the one hand, and James Dondero, NexPoint Asset Management, L.P., NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Highland Capital Management Services, Inc., NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, The Dugaboy Investment Trust, and Strand Advisors, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants" and together with Plaintiff, the "Parties"); and this Court having considered (i) the Motion and (ii) the Stipulation Regarding Briefing on Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Motion to Deem the Dondero Entities Vexatious Litigants and for Related Relief (the "Stipulation") executed by the Parties and attached to the Motion; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establishes good cause for the

relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby **ORDERED** that

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.
- 2. The Stipulation, a copy of which is attached to this Order as **Exhibit 1**, is approved in all respects.
- 3. The page limit for Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Vexatious Litigant Motion will be increased from 25 pages to 47 pages, with a no more than 2-page accompanying chart, as well as an appendix with cited materials.
- 4. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters and disputes arising from the interpretation and implementation of this Order.

It is so ordered this day of _	, 2023.
	The Honorable Brantley Starr
	United States District Judge