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*Counsel for the Debtor  
and Debtor in Possession***The following constitutes the order of the Court.  
Signed: November 25, 2025**
**William J. Lafferty, III  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge****UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT****NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA****OAKLAND DIVISION**

In re:

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF  
OAKLAND, a California corporation sole,

Debtor.

Case No. 23-40523 WJL

Chapter 11

**ORDER PURSUANT TO STATUS  
CONFERENCE CONDUCTED ON  
NOVEMBER 12, 2025 AND GRANTING  
DEBTOR'S MOTION TO DISMISS  
CHAPTER 11 CASE PURSUANT TO 11  
U.S.C. §1112(B)**

Judge: Hon. William J. Lafferty



Following the hearing conducted by the Court on October 29, 2025 on the *Debtor's Motion to Dismiss Chapter 11 Case Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §1112(b)* [Docket No. 2393] (the "Motion"),<sup>1</sup> filed by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Oakland, a California corporation sole, and the debtor and debtor in possession (the "Debtor") in the above-captioned chapter 11 bankruptcy case (the "Chapter 11 Case"), and the Status Conference conducted in the Chapter 11 Case on November 12, 2025, for the reasons stated on the record October 29, 2025 and November 12, 2025, which constitute the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Fed. Rule Bankr. Proc. 7052, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. The Motion is GRANTED for the reasons stated on the record of the October 29, 2025 hearing and subject to the terms set forth herein.

2. The Court concludes it has not been presented with any evidence of bad faith by the Debtor which would cause the Court to dismiss the Chapter 11 Case with prejudice or with a bar to the Debtor filing another bankruptcy case.

3. The Court concludes the Chapter 11 Case shall be dismissed without prejudice unless, on or before November 26, 2025 at or by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the Debtor files with the Court a settlement term sheet which (a) sets forth the basic structure and provisions of a plan with enough information to understand in basic terms the treatment of claims, and (b) is signed by the Debtor and any party who is in support of the term sheet.

4. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation of or interpretation of this Order.

\*\*\* END OF ORDER \*\*\*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

LOWENSTEIN SANDLER LLP

By: /s/ Brent Weisenberg  
Brent Weisenberg  
Attorneys for the  
Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors

<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

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