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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

In re:))	Chapter 11
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STAGE STORES, INC., <i>et al.</i> , ¹))	Case No. 20-32564 (DRJ)
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Debtors.))	(Jointly Administered)
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))	Re: Docket No. <u>11</u>

ORDER GRANTING COMPLEX CHAPTER 11 BANKRUPTCY CASE TREATMENT

These jointly administered cases were filed on May 10, 2020. A *Notice of Designation as Complex Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Case* (the “Notice”)² was filed. Based on its review of the initial pleadings, the Court concludes that the complex chapter 11 case designation is appropriate. Accordingly, the Court orders:

1. The Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases in the Southern District of Texas apply to these cases. The procedures are posted on the Court’s website. Compliance with the procedures is required.
2. The Debtors must give notice of this order to all parties in interest within seven days. If a party-in-interest objects to the provisions of this order, that party may file an appropriate motion within 14 days after service of the order.
3. The Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”) apply to this case, subject to the following modifications:
 - a. Bankruptcy Local Rule 1001-1(b) does not apply.
 - b. The Local Rules for the U.S. District Court of the Southern District of Texas (the “Local District Court Civil Rules”) rule 83.1 applies.
 - c. Appendix A to the Local District Court Civil Rules applies.

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are: Stage Stores, Inc. (6900) and Specialty Retailers, Inc. (1900). The Debtors’ service address is: 2425 West Loop South, Houston, Texas 77027.

² Capitalized terms used and not defined shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Notice.



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- d. If a conflict exists between the Bankruptcy Local Rules and the Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases in the Southern District of Texas, the Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases in the Southern District of Texas govern.

Signed: May 11, 2020.



DAVID R. JONES
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of TexasIn re:
Stage Stores, Inc.
DebtorCase No. 20-32564-drj
Chapter 11**CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE**

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I, Joseph Speetjens, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.**Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed. R. Bank. P. 2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.**

Date: May 13, 2020

Signature: /s/Joseph Speetjens**CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING**

The following persons/entities were sent notice through the court's CM/ECF electronic mail (Email) system on May 11, 2020 at the address(es) listed below:

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