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The following constitutes the ruling of the court and has the force and effect therein described.

Michelle V. Larson

Signed October 17, 2026

United States Bankruptcy Judge

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

In Re:	§	
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HIGHER GROUND EDUCATION, INC., et al.	§	Case No. 25-80121-11 (MVL)
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	§	Chapter 11
Debtors.	§	
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AGREED ORDER GRANTING CARL BARNEY'S MOTION TO ALLOW THE CALIFORNIA ACTION TO PROCEED AGAINST NON-DEBTOR DEFENDANTS

Upon consideration of Carl B. Barney's ("Barney") *Motion to Allow the California Action to Proceed Against Non-Debtor Defendants* (the "***Motion***") and the non-opposition thereto, the Court finds that it has jurisdiction, that notice was sufficient, and that good cause exists for the relief granted below. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined have the meanings given in the Motion. It is therefore,

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ORDERED that the Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth in this Order; it is further

ORDERED that Barney may prosecute the action styled Carl B. Barney v. Learn Capital, LLC, et al., Case No. 30-2026-01571029-CU-MC-CJC (the "***California Action***"), pending in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, against Learn Capital, LLC, Guidepost Global Education, Inc., Greg Mauro, Rob Hutter, and other non-debtor Defendants; it is further

ORDERED that Barney's prosecution of the California Action against Learn Capital, LLC, Guidepost Global Education, Inc., and other non-debtor Defendants does not violate 11 U.S.C. § 524, the Confirmed Plan, the Confirmation Order, or any stay or injunction arising under the Plan, Confirmation Order, or Title 11 of the United States Code; it is further

ORDERED that based upon the relief provided by this Order, the stay of the California Action entered by the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, by Minute Order on August 21, 2026, is no longer necessary as a result of the Debtors' bankruptcy cases, the Confirmed Plan, or the Confirmation Order, and the parties may request that the court presiding over the California Action lift such stay and set the California Action for further proceedings against the non-debtor Defendants; it is further

ORDERED that nothing in this Order authorizes Barney to commence or continue a lawsuit against a Debtor, obtain possession of or exercise control over estate property, recover from such Debtor or estate property, interfere with plan distributions, or enforce any judgment against a Debtor or estate property without further order of this Court; it is further

ORDERED that nothing in this Order determines the ownership, validity, priority, amount, or merits of any claim or defense in the California Action. All such rights, claims, defenses, objections, and counterclaims are preserved; and it is further

ORDERED that this Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to interpret and enforce this Order, the Confirmation Order, and the Confirmed Plan without limiting the authority of the court presiding over the California Action to apply and give effect to this Order.

END OF ORDER

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