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United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of Texas
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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., *et al.*,[1]	)	Case No. 20-32564 (CML)
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	)	
Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)

STIPULATION AND AGREED ORDER DISALLOWING AND EXPUNGING CLAIM NO. 2079 FILED BY NIKE USA, INC.

This stipulation and agreed order (this "Stipulation") is entered into by and between Steven Balasiano, solely in his capacity as Plan Administrator (the "Plan Administrator") under the confirmed chapter 11 plan of Stage Stores, Inc. and its affiliated debtors (collectively, the "Debtors"), and Nike USA, Inc. ("Nike," and together with the Plan Administrator, the "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2020 (the "Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Court"), and such cases are being jointly administered under Case No. 20-32564 (DRJ);

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020, Nike timely filed (i) Proof of Claim No. 2077 ("Claim No. 2077") in the amount of $3,587,369.92 against Specialty Retailers, Inc. (Debtor No. 20-32565), and (ii) Proof of Claim No. 2079 ("Claim No. 2079"), asserting the same amount and liability, against Stage Stores, Inc. (Debtor No. 20-32564);

[1] The Debtors, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Stage Stores, Inc. (6900) and Specialty Retailers, Inc. (1900).

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WHEREAS, based upon the Plan Administrator's review and representations to Nike, Nike and the Plan Administrator have determined that Claim No. 2079 is a duplicative claim of Claim No. 2077 as Claim No. 2077 was filed against the debtor that incurred the obligation owed to Nike, Specialty Retailers, Inc.;

NOW, THEREFORE, UPON APPROVAL BY THE COURT OF THIS STIPULATION, IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Claim No. 2079 asserted by Nike against Stage Stores, Inc. is disallowed and expunged in its entirety.

2. Claim No. 2077 shall remain on the claims register and is unaffected by this Stipulation.

3. Nothing in this Stipulation shall be deemed or construed as an allowance or disallowance of Claim No. 2077. The Parties reserve all rights with respect to Claim No. 2077.

4. The claims, noticing, and solicitation agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global, as the Court-appointed agent in these chapter 11 cases, is authorized and directed to update the claims register to reflect the terms of this Stipulation.

5. Each Party represents and warrants that it is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Stipulation and to take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate its terms.

6. This Stipulation is subject to Court approval and is effective and enforceable only upon entry of an Order of the Court approving this Stipulation.

7. This Stipulation shall not be modified, altered, amended, or vacated without written consent of the Parties and further Order of this Court.

8. This Stipulation may be executed in multiple counterparts, any of which may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail, and each of which will be deemed an original, but all

of which together will constitute a single Stipulation.

9. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Stipulation.

Signed: August 18, 2026

Christopher Lopez
United States Bankruptcy Judge

STIPULATED AND AGREED TO THIS 17 DAY OF August, 2026

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