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

n re:	Chapter 11

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, Case No. 19-34054-sgj11 L.P.,1

Reorganized Debtor.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 158(a) and Rules 8002 and 8003 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, NexPoint Advisors, L.P., creditor and party

The Reorganized Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are 6725. The headquarters and service address for the Reorganized Debtor is 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850; Dallas, Texas 75201.



in interest under 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b), hereby appeals to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas from the Order Granting Fifth and Final Application for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, as Counsel for the Debtor and Debtor in Possession, for the Period from October 19, 2019 through August 10, 2021 [ECF No. 3047] (the "Order"), entered by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas on November 22, 2021. A true and correct copy of the Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

The parties to this appeal and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of their respective attorneys are as follows:

1. NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (Appellant / Creditor / Party in Interest - 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b))

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on December 3, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Notice of Appeal* was served electronically via the Court's ECF system upon all parties of interest requesting or consenting to such service in this case.

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EXHIBIT A

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

Signed November 22, 2021

United States Bankruptcy Judge

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

In re:	§ §	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1	§ §	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

Reorganized Debtor.

ORDER GRANTING FIFTH AND FINAL APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP, AS COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTOR AND DEBTOR IN POSSESSION, FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 19, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 10, 2021

The Court conducted a hearing on November 17, 2021 (the "Hearing") to consider the final application [Docket No. 2906] ("Final Application")² of Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP ("PSZ&J") for final allowance of compensation for professional services rendered in the above-captioned case during the period from October 19, 2019 through August 10, 2021 (the "Final Compensation Period"). The Court has reviewed the Final Application and finds that: (a) the Court

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² Capitalized terms used, but not otherwise defined herein, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; (b) notice of the Final Application and the Hearing were adequate under the circumstances and the Order (i) Confirming the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization (as Modified) and (ii) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1943] with respect to the Debtor's Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P. [Docket No. 1808]; and (c) all persons with standing have been afforded the opportunity to be heard on the Final Application. The Court has also reviewed and considered (i) the Omnibus Objection and Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Creditor and Party in Interest under 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b), Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2016 to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 2977] filed by NexPoint Advisors, L.P.; (ii) the Reply of Debtor Professionals to Omnibus Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 2988]; (iii) the Supplemental Omnibus Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Creditor and Party in Interest under 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b), Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2016 to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 3015]; (iv) the Supplemental Reply of Debtor Professionals to Supplemental Omnibus Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 3020]; (v) the documents identified on the Reorganized Debtor's Witness and Exhibit List with Respect to Hearing on Final Fee Applications to Be Held on November 17, 2021 [Docket No. 3017]; and (vi) the arguments of the parties and evidence submitted at the Hearing.

In addition to the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth on the record at the Hearing, the Court has considered the nature, the extent, and the value of the services set forth in the Final Application, and has taken into account all relevant factors, including the factors set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3)(A) through (F), *Johnson v. Georgia Highway Express, Inc.*, 488 F.2d 714 (5th Cir. 1974), and applicable law, and finds that the fees requested in the Final Application constitute reasonable compensation for actual, necessary, services rendered by PSZ&J on behalf of the Debtor pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1)(A); the expenses requested in the Final Application constitute actual, necessary expenses pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1)(B); and that all objections to the Final Application are overruled for the reasons set forth on the record of the Hearing.

Accordingly, it is **HEREBY ORDERED THAT**:

- 1. PSZ&J is granted final allowance of compensation in the amount of \$23,978,627.25 for the Final Compensation Period.
- 2. PSZ&J is granted final allowance of reimbursement for expenses incurred in the amount of \$334,232.95 for the Final Compensation Period.
- 3. The Debtor is authorized and directed to remit payment to PSZ&J of such final allowed compensation and expense reimbursement amounts totaling \$24,312,860.20 less any and all amounts previously paid on account of such fees and expenses.
- 4. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

###END OF ORDER###