

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

AKORN, INC., *et al.*,<sup>1</sup>

Debtors.

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) Chapter 11  
)  
) Case No. 20-11177 (KBO)  
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) (Jointly Administered)  
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**DECLARATION OF DISINTERESTEDNESS OF  
BRYAN CAVE LEIGHTON PAISNER LLP PURSUANT TO THE  
ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND COMPENSATION OF  
CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS UTILIZED IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS**

I, Mark A. Paskar, declare under penalty of perjury:

1. I am a Partner of Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP, located at 161 North Clark Street, Suite 4300, Chicago, Illinois 60601 (the “Firm”).

2. Akorn, Inc. and certain of its affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), have requested that the Firm provide legal services in the areas of intellectual property and data privacy and protection to the Debtors, and the Firm has consented to provide such services.

3. The Firm may have performed services in the past, may currently perform services, and may perform services in the future, in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases for persons that are parties in interest in the Debtors’ chapter 11 cases. The Firm does not perform services for any such person in connection with these chapter 11 cases, or have any

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, include: Akorn, Inc. (7400); 10 Edison Street LLC (7890); 13 Edison Street LLC (N/A); Advanced Vision Research, Inc. (9046); Akorn (New Jersey), Inc. (1474); Akorn Animal Health, Inc. (6645); Akorn Ophthalmics, Inc. (6266); Akorn Sales, Inc. (7866); Clover Pharmaceuticals Corp. (3735); Covenant Pharma, Inc. (0115); Hi-Tech Pharmacal Co., Inc. (8720); Inspire Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (9022); Oak Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (6647); Olta Pharmaceuticals Corp. (3621); VersaPharm Incorporated (6739); VPI Holdings Corp. (6716); and VPI Holdings Sub, LLC (N/A). The location of the Debtors’ service address is: 1925 W. Field Court, Suite 300, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045.



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relationship with any such person, their attorneys, or accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to the matter on which the Firm is proposed to be employed.

4. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be employed by the Debtors, claimants, and parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases.

5. Neither I nor any principal, partner, director, officer, etc., of or professional employed by, the Firm has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors with any other person other than the principal and regular employees of the Firm.

6. Neither I nor any principal, partner, director, officer, of or professional employed by, the Firm, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds, or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to the matter(s) upon which this Firm is to be employed.

7. The Debtors owe the Firm \$53,238.75 for prepetition services, the payment of which is subject to limitations contained in the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532.

8. I understand that the amount owed by any of the Debtors to the Firm for prepetition services will be treated as a general unsecured claim, and as such, the Firm may file a proof of claim.

9. I further understand that this Declaration will not suffice as the Firm's proof of claim.

10. As of May 20, 2020, which was the date on which the Debtors commenced these chapter 11 cases, the Firm was not party to an agreement for indemnification with certain of the Debtors.

11. The Firm is conducting further inquiries regarding its retention by any creditors of the Debtors, and upon conclusion of that inquiry, or at any time during the period of its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the Firm will supplement the information contained in this Declaration.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mark Paskar".

Date: June 29, 2020

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Mark A. Paskar