No. 21-10449

# IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

In the Matter of: Highland Capital Management, L.P.

Debtor.

#### NEXPOINT ADVISORS, L.P.; HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT FUND ADVISORS, L.P.; HIGHLAND INCOME FUND; NEXPOINT STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FUND; HIGHLAND GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND; NEXPOINT CAPITAL, INCORPORATED; JAMES DONDERO; THE DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST; GET GOOD TRUST,

#### APPELLANTS

v.

#### HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

#### APPELLEE

# ON DIRECT APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS (CASE NO. 19-34054-11-SGJ)

#### APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENTION OF TIME TO FILE CONSOLIDATED REPLY TO APPELLANTS' RESPONSES TO APPELLEE'S MOTION TO DISMISS APPEALS AS EQUITABLY MOOT

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# **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PERSONS**

The undersigned counsel of record certifies that the following listed persons and entities, as described in the fourth sentence of Rule 28.2.1, have an interest in the outcome of this case. These representations are made in order that the judges of this Court may evaluate possible disqualification or recusal.

#### 1. Appellants:

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Appellee and Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("<u>Debtor</u>" or "<u>Highland</u>") respectfully moves this Court for a consensual extension of the date for the filing of Appellee's Reply to Appellants' Responses to Appellee's Motion to Dismiss Appeals as Equitably Moot to November 10, 2021.

1. Appellants have appealed from an order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas confirming Highland's plan of reorganization.

2. On October 6, 2021, in addition to its Brief of Appellee on the merits of the appeal, Highland filed a Motion to Dismiss Appeal as Equitably Moot (the "<u>Motion to Dismiss</u>").

3. Three of the four groups of Appellants (Mr. Dondero, the Advisors and the Trusts) filed a consolidated Response to the Motion to Dismiss on October 18, 2021, and the fourth group of Appellants (the Funds) received an extension of the time to file its Response until October 27, 2021, and the Funds have now filed their Response.

4. Each of the Appellants has agreed that Appellee's Reply to the Responses should be on the same schedule and therefore, have agreed to extend the date for Appellee to file its consolidated Reply to November 10, 2021. Because Appellee will be responding to two Responses filed on different dates, it would be

more efficient and benefit the Court if Appellee filed one consolidated Reply. Accordingly, all the parties, agree to the requested extension.

5. This request is not made for purposes of delay or advantage, but solely so that justice may be done.

**WHEREFORE**, Appellee respectfully requests that the deadline for it to file its Reply to Appellants' Responses to Appellee's Motion to Dismiss Appeals as Equitably Moot be extended through and including November 10, 2021.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

Pursuant to Fifth Circuit Rules 26(b) and 27, the undersigned certifies that on October 20, 2021, he conferred with counsel for the Appellants as set forth below and each has consented to the relief requested in the foregoing Motion.

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/s/Zachery Z. Annable Attorney for Appellee Dated: October 27, 2021

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on October 27, 2021, the foregoing motion was electronically filed using the appellate CM/ECF system. I further certify that all participants in this case are registered CM/ECF users and that service will be accomplished via CM/ECF.

<u>/s/Zachery Z. Annable</u> Attorney for Appellee