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

In re:	§
	§ Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	Ş
	§ Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Debtor.	\$
	\$
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	\$ \$
Plaintiff,	§ Adv. Proc. No. 21-03006-sgj
	\$
vs.	\$ \$ \$
	Ş
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT	\$
SERVICES, INC., JAMES DONDERO,	§
NANCY DONDERO, AND THE	Ş
DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,	\$ \$
Defendants.	§
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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§
	Ş
Plaintiff,	§ Adv. Proc. No. 21-03007-sgj
	§
vs.	\$ \$ \$
	§
HCRE PARTNERS, LLC (n/k/a NEXPOINT	Ş
REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, LLC), JAMES	\$ \$
DONDERO, NANCY DONDERO, AND	
THE DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,	\$ \$
Defendants.	§



## NOTICE OF OBJECTION OF HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. AND HCRE PARTNERS, LLC TO ORDER DENYING MOTIONS TO EXTEND EXPERT DISCLOSURE AND DISCOVERY DEADLINES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on January 5, 2022, Highland Capital Management

Services, Inc. ("HCMS") and HCRE Partners, LLC ("HCRE"), filed their Objection to Order

Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines in the United States

District Court for the Northern District of Texas, under Case Nos. 3:21-cv-01378-X (Dkt. 26) and

3:21-cv-01379-X (Dkt. 23), a copy of which is attached hereto.

Dated: January 5, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

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The undersigned hereby certifies that, on January 5, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via the Court's CM/ECF system on all parties registered to receive electronic notices in this case.

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	§	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§	
	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Debtor.	§	
	§	
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§	
	§ §	
Plaintiff,	§	Adv. Proc. No. 21-03006-sgj
	§	
VS.	§	Case No. 3:21-cv-01378-X
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT	§ §	
SERVICES, INC., JAMES DONDERO,	§	
NANCY DONDERO, AND THE	§	
DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	
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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,	§	
	§ §	
Plaintiff,	§	Adv. Proc. No. 21-03007-sgj
	§	
VS.	§	Case No. 3:21-cv-01379-X
	§	
HCRE PARTNERS, LLC (n/k/a NEXPOINT	§	
REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, LLC), JAMES	§	
DONDERO, NANCY DONDERO, AND	§	
THE DUGABOY INVESTMENT TRUST,		
	§ §	
Defendants.	§	

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### DEFENDANTS HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. AND HCRE PARTNERS, LLC'S OBJECTION TO ORDER DENYING MOTIONS TO EXTEND EXPERT DISCLOSURE AND DISCOVERY DEADLINES

COME NOW, Highland Capital Management Services, Inc. ("<u>HCMS</u>") and HCRE Partners, LLC ("<u>HCRE</u>"), Defendants in the above styled and numbered proceeding initiated by Highland Capital Management, L.P. as Plaintiff (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), and file this *Objection to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines* (the "<u>Objection</u>"). HCMS and HCRE respectfully show as follows:

### I. <u>RELIEF REQUESTED</u>

1. On January 5, 2022, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. ("<u>NexPoint</u>") filed its *Brief in Support of Objection to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadline* and accompanying appendix in Case No. 19-34054-sgj11, Civ. Act. No. 3:21-cv-00880-X (the "<u>NexPoint Objection</u>").<sup>1</sup> HCRE and HCMS incorporate the context of the NexPoint Objection as if fully set forth herein.

2. As described in the NexPoint Objection, NexPoint seeks the District Court's review of the Bankruptcy Court's *Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines* (the "<u>Order</u>"). NexPoint submits that, in denying NexPoint leave to extend the expert disclosure and discovery deadlines, the Order is clearly erroneous and contrary to law and should, therefore, be reconsidered and reversed by the District Court.

3. For generally the same reasons set forth in the NexPoint Objection, HCMS and HCRE request this Court grant them the same relief requested by NexPoint.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines, Case No. 21-00880-X [Doc 21]; Brief in Support of Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines, Case No. 21-00880-X [Doc 22]; Appendix in Support of Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines, Case No. 21-00880-X [Doc 22]; Appendix in Support of Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines, Case No. 21-00880-X [Doc 22]; Appendix in Support of Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. to Order Denying Motions to Extend Expert Disclosure and Discovery Deadlines, Case No. 21-00880-X [Doc 23].

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#### II. <u>PRAYER</u>

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, HCMS and HCRE respectfully request the District Court reverse the Order and grant the Motions modifying the Scheduling Order to (i) extend the deadline to designate experts and serve expert reports; (ii) modify the Scheduling Order accordingly for the potential designation of rebuttal experts and service of rebuttal expert reports, and (iii) extend expert discovery. HCMS and HCRE also respectfully request such other and further relief as may be proper.

Dated: January 5, 2022

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