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#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Chapter 11

In re:

INVITAE CORPORATION, et al.,

Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

(Joint Administration Requested)

Case No. 24-11362 (MBK)

# DEBTORS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES, AND STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last four digits of Debtor Invitae Corporation's tax identification number are 1898. A complete list of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and each such Debtor's tax identification number may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at <u>www.kccllc.net/invitae</u>. The Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 1400 16<sup>th</sup> Street, San Francisco, California 94103.



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#### TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") respectfully state the following in support of this motion (this "<u>Motion</u>"):<sup>2</sup>

# **Relief Requested**

1. The Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "Order"), extending the deadline by which the Debtors must file their schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs (collectively, the "Schedules and Statements") by twenty (20) days, for a total of thirty-four (34) days from the Petition Date through and including March 18, 2024, without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions for cause shown.

### **Jurisdiction and Venue**

2. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "<u>Court</u>") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Standing Order of Reference to the Bankruptcy Court Under Title 11*, entered July 23, 1984, and amended on September 18, 2012 (Simandle, C.J.). The Debtors confirm their consent to the Court entering a final order in connection with this Motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, including the facts and circumstances giving rise to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, is set forth in the *Declaration of Ana Schrank, Chief Financial Officer of Invitae Corporation, in Support of Chapter 11 Filing, First Day Motions, and Access to Cash Collateral* (the "<u>First Day Declaration</u>"), filed contemporaneously herewith. Capitalized terms used but not immediately defined are defined later in this Motion, in the First Day Declaration, or in the Cash Collateral Motion, as applicable.

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4. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a) and 521 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), and rules 1007(c) and 9006(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>").

## **Background**

5. On February 13, 2024 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. Concurrent with the filing of this Motion, the Debtors filed a motion requesting procedural consolidation and joint administration of these chapter 11 cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in these chapter 11 cases, and no official committees have been appointed or designated.

# **Basis for Relief**

6. The requirements of section 521 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 1007(c) normally require debtors to file their schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs within fourteen (14) days of the petition date. However, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b), the Court has authority to extend the time required for the filing of the Schedules and Statements "for cause shown." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(c) and 9006(b). Showing "cause" merely requires that a debtor "demonstrate some justification for the issuance of the order" and bankruptcy courts will normally grant such extensions "in the absence of bad faith or prejudice to the adverse party." See, e.g., Bryant v. Smith, 165 B.R. 176, 182 (W.D. Va. 1994) (discussing the standard for granting extensions under Bankruptcy Rule 1007) (internal citations and quotation marks omitted).

7. The Debtors submit that good and sufficient cause exists for granting an extension of time to file the Schedules and Statements. The ordinary operation of the Debtors' businesses

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requires the Debtors to maintain voluminous books, records, and complex accounting systems. To prepare the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors must compile information from those books and records, and from documents relating to the claims of their thousands of creditors, as well as the Debtors' many assets, contracts, and leases. This information is extensive and located in numerous places throughout the Debtors' organization. Collecting the necessary information requires an enormous expenditure of time and effort on the part of the Debtors, their employees, and their professional advisors in the near term—when these resources would be best used to stabilize the Debtors' business operations.

8. The Debtors, with the assistance of their professional advisors, are mobilizing their employees to work diligently and expeditiously on preparing the Schedules and Statements, but resources are strained. Given the amount of work required to complete the Schedules and Statements and the competing demands on the Debtors' employees and professionals to assist with stabilizing business operations during the initial postpetition period, and the critical matters that the Debtors' management and professionals were required to address prior to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, the Debtors likely will not be able to properly and accurately complete the Schedules and Statements within the required time period.

9. Additionally, in the days leading up to the Petition Date, the Debtors' primary focus was on preparing for the chapter 11 filing as expeditiously and efficiently as possible, including preparing the business to transition into chapter 11. The Debtors intend to focus the attention of key personnel on critical operational and chapter 11 compliance issues during the early days of these chapter 11 cases. Such efforts will facilitate the Debtors' smooth transition into chapter 11 for the benefit of all stakeholders.

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10. Accordingly, although the Debtors have commenced the process that will enable them to prepare and finalize what will be voluminous Schedules and Statements and are working diligently to move the process forward, the Debtors anticipate that they may require up to thirty-four (34) days from the Petition Date to complete the Schedules and Statements. Given the size of the Debtors' enterprise, the Debtors submit that the extensive amount of information that must be assembled and compiled, the multiple places where the information is located, and the hundreds of employee and professional hours required to complete the Schedules and Statements constitute good and sufficient cause for granting the requested extension of time. No party in interest will be prejudiced by the extension requested herein because the Debtors have financial and operational incentives to progress these chapter 11 cases as expeditiously as possible. The Debtors therefore request that the Court extend the fourteen (14)-day period for an additional twenty (20) days, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to request further extensions for cause shown.

11. Courts in this district have granted similar relief to that requested herein in a number of cases. *See, e.g., In re Careismatic Brands*, LLC, 24-10561 (VFP) (Bankr. D.N.J. Jan. 24, 2024) (granting debtors a total of fifty (50) days from the petition date to file their schedules and statements); *In re WeWork Inc.*, No. 23-19865 (JKS) (Bankr. D.N.J. Nov. 8, 2023) (granting debtors a total of sixty (60) days from the petition date to file their schedules and statements); *In re Rite Aid Corp.*, No. 23-18993 (MBK) (Bankr. D.N.J. Oct. 19, 2023) (granting debtors a total of fifty-two (52) days from the petition date to file their schedules and statements); *In re Cyxtera Techs., Inc.*, No. 23-14853 (JKS) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 6, 2023) (granting debtors a total of thirty-six (36) days from the petition date to file their schedules and statements); *In re Bed Bath* &

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*Beyond*, No. 23-13359 (VFP) (Bank. D.N.J. Apr. 25, 2023) (granting debtors a total of thirty-seven (37) days from the petition date to file their schedules and statements).<sup>3</sup>

## Waiver of Memorandum of Law

12. The Debtors respectfully request that the Court waive the requirement to file a separate memorandum of law pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(a)(3) because the legal basis upon which the Debtors rely is set forth herein and the Motion does not raise any novel issues of law.

# **Reservation of Rights**

13. Nothing contained in this Motion or any order granting the relief requested in this Motion, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with any such order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount of, basis for, priority of, or validity of any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim or otherwise of a type specified or defined in this Motion or any order granting the relief requested by this Motion; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action or other rights of the Debtors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Because of the voluminous nature of the orders cited herein, such orders have not been attached to this Motion. Copies of these orders are available upon request of the Debtors' proposed counsel.

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or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

## No Prior Request

14. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other court.

# <u>Notice</u>

15. The Debtors will provide notice of this Motion to the following parties and/or their respective counsel, as applicable: (a) the office of the United States Trustee for the District of New Jersey; (b) the Debtors' thirty (30) largest unsecured creditors (on a consolidated basis); (c) counsel to the agent to the Secured Notes; (d) the indenture trustee to the 2024 Convertible Notes; (e) the indenture trustee to the 2028 Convertible Notes; (f) Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, as counsel to the Required Holders; (g) Wollmuth Maher & Deutsch LLP, as counsel to the Required Holders; (h) counsel to the 2028 Convertible Noteholders; (i) the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; (j) the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey; (k) the attorneys general in the states where the Debtors conduct their business operations; (l) the Internal Revenue Service; (m) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

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**WHEREFORE**, the Debtors respectfully request entry of the Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and granting the relief requested herein.

Dated: February 14, 2024

/s/ Michael D. Sirota

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# <u>Exhibit A</u>

**Proposed Order** 

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The relief set forth on the following pages, numbered three (3) through five (5), is

# **ORDERED.**

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Upon the Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order Extending Time to File Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and Statements of Financial Affairs (the "Motion"),<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), for entry of an order (this "Order") (a) extending the deadline by which the Debtors must file their Schedules and Statements by twenty (20) days, for a total of thirty four (34) days from the Petition Date, to and including March 18, 2024 without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions for cause shown, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Standing Order of Reference to the Bankruptcy Court Under Title 11 of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, entered July 23, 1984, and amended on September 18, 2012 (Simandle, C.J.); and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that sufficient cause exists for the relief set forth herein; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion was appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

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and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court and after due deliberation and sufficient cause

# appearing therefor IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.
- 2. Pursuant to section 521 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and

9006(b), the time by which the Debtors shall file the Schedules and Statements is extended by an additional twenty (20) days beyond the fourteen (14) day extension provided for pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007(c) through and including March 18, 2024.

3. Such extensions are without prejudice to the Debtors' right to file a motion with this Court seeking a further extension upon a showing of cause.

4. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

5. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

6. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.

7. The requirement set forth in Local Rule 9013-1(a)(3) that any motion be accompanied by a memorandum of law is hereby deemed satisfied by the contents of the Motion or otherwise waived.

Any party may move for modification of this Order in accordance with Local Rule
9013-5(e).

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9. The Debtors shall serve by regular mail a copy of this Order and the Motion on all parties required to receive such service pursuant to Local Rule 9013-5(f) within two (2) business days after the entry of this Order.

10. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.