IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	Chapter 11
Medley LLC, ¹	Case No. 21-10526 ()
Debtor.	

DEBTOR'S MOTION FOR AN ORDER (I) ESTABLISHING BAR DATES FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM AND (II) APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF

The above-captioned debtor and debtor-in-possession (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), by and through its proposed counsel, respectfully represents as follows in support of this motion (the "<u>Motion</u>"):

JURISDICTION, VENUE AND STATUTORY PREDICATES

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012 (Sleet, C.J.). This matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b).
 - 2. Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 3. The statutory predicates for the relief sought herein are sections 105(a), 501, 502, 503(b)(9), and 1111(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rules 2002 and 3003(c)(3) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Local Rules 2002-1(e) and 3003-1(a) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules").

¹ The last four digits of the Debtor's taxpayer identification number are 7343. The Debtor's principal executive office is located at 280 Park Avenue, 6th Floor East, New York, New York 10017.



4. Pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(f), the Debtor consents to the entry of a final judgment or order with respect to this Motion if it is determined that the Court lacks Article III jurisdiction to enter such final order or judgment absent the consent of the parties.

BACKGROUND

- 5. On the date hereof (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>Chapter 11 Case</u>"). The Debtor is operating its business as the Debtor-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. As of the filing of this Motion, no trustee, examiner, or committee has been requested or appointed in the Chapter 11 Case.
- 6. Additional background facts concerning the Debtor and the commencement of the Chapter 11 Case are provided in the *Declaration of Richard T. Allorto, Jr. in Support of Chapter 11 Petition and First Day Pleadings* (the "<u>First Day Declaration</u>"), filed contemporaneously herewith and is incorporated herein by reference.
- 7. The Debtor is concurrently filing a disclosure statement (the "<u>Disclosure Statement</u>") and plan of reorganization (the "<u>Plan</u>") with this Motion, and intends to seek approval of the Disclosure Statement and confirmation of the Plan.
- 8. The Debtor is also concurrently filing the *Debtor's Motion for Entry of an Order Extending the Debtor's Time to File its Schedules and Statements* (the "Extension Motion"), which seeks to extend the time to file its schedules of assets and liabilities and statement of financial affairs (collectively, the "Schedules") by an additional twenty-one (21) days. Therefore, the Extension Motion will provide the Debtor with a total of thirty-five (35) days from the Petition Date to file its Schedules.
- 9. Consequently, the Debtor requests that the Court, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 501, 502, 503(b)(9), and 1111(a), Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 3003(c)(3), and Local Rules 2002-1(e) and 3003-1(a): (i) establish the Bar Dates (defined herein) and related claims procedures proposed herein; and (ii) approve the form and manner of notice thereof.

RELIEF REQUESTED

10. By this Motion, the Debtor seeks entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "Proposed Order"), that establishes the following dates and deadlines:

Mailing Deadling	five (5) business days following the Debtor's	
Mailing Deadline	filing of the Bar Date Notice (as defined	
	below)	
Company 1 Down Date	first business day that is thirty (30) calendar	
General Bar Date	days after the Mailing Deadline (as defined	
	below)	
C (ID D)	September 3, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing	
Governmental Bar Date	Eastern Time)	
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Amended Schedules Bar Date	Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii)	
	5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date	
	that is thirty (30) calendar days from the date	
	on which the Debtor provided notice of an	
	amendment or supplement to the Schedules	
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Rejection Bar Date	Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii)	
	5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date	
	that is thirty (30) calendar days after the	
	applicable Rejection Order (as defined below)	

11. Additionally, the Debtor respectfully requests entry of the Proposed Order (the "Bar Date Order"), which (a) provides that the Debtor will have two (2) business days to file the form of notice of the Bar Dates (as defined below) to be sent to parties in interest (the "Bar Date Notice") on the docket after filing its Schedules, (b) provides that the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Claims Agent"), will have five (5) business days following the filing of the Bar Date Notice to mail the Bar Date Package (as defined below) (the "Mailing Deadline"), (c) approves the proposed procedures for filing proofs of claim (each a "Proof of Claim"), (d) approves the proposed procedures for notice of Bar Dates (as defined below), including, among other things, the Bar Date Notice substantially in the form attached to the Proposed Order as Exhibit 1, (e) approves the proposed model Proof of Claim form for creditors (the "Proof of Claim Form"), substantially in the form attached to the Proposed Order as Exhibit 2, and (e) approves the Debtor's proposed publication and other

supplemental procedures for providing notice of the Bar Dates to unknown creditors and parties in interest (the "<u>Publication Notice</u>"), substantially in the form attached to the Proposed Order as **Exhibit 3**.

A. <u>Establishment of Bar Dates.</u>

- 12. Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code and as used herein, the word "claim" shall mean: (a) a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) a right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured. A "claim" shall include, but shall not be limited to, all claims of setoff or recoupment and claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. Examples of claims for which one must file a Proof of Claim shall include, but shall not be limited to, those arising from or related to: breaches of contract, tort-based causes of action, unpaid goods and services, warranties, defective product, chargebacks or credits.
- 13. As set forth below, the Debtor has proposed standard procedures for providing notice of the General Bar Date (as defined below) on all parties that are entitled to receive such notice in this Chapter 11 Case, which include the typical notice parties such as the Debtor's largest creditors, known litigation claimants, and other known creditors and parties in interest in this Chapter 11 Case (collectively, the "Notice Parties").

1. General Bar Date.

14. Accordingly, the Debtor proposes that the Court establish the general bar date as 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the first business day that is thirty (30) calendar days after the Mailing Deadline (the "General Bar Date") as the deadline for each Person² or Entity (excluding any Governmental Units (as defined below)). The General Bar Date specifically

² The meaning of the terms Person and Entity shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Bankruptcy Code.

excludes any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes³ and 2026 Notes⁴, or the Notes Indentures⁵. Except as otherwise provided herein, the General Bar Date will apply to all claims of any kind that arose, or are deemed to have arisen, prior to the Petition Date, including, but not limited to administrative expense claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and all claims of setoff or recoupment.

2. Governmental Bar Date.

15. Pursuant to section 502(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3002(c)(1), a Proof of Claim filed by a Governmental Unit⁶ in this Chapter 11 Case is deemed timely if filed within 180 days after the petition date, or, here, using March 7, 2021, the Petition Date, as the benchmark, no later than September 3, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Governmental Bar Date"). The Debtor further proposes that the Governmental Bar Date apply to all Governmental Units holding claims against the Debtor (whether secured, unsecured priority or unsecured nonpriority) that arose prior to the Petition Date, including Governmental Units with claims against the Debtor for unpaid taxes, whether such claims arise from prepetition tax years or periods, or from prepetition transactions to which the Debtor was a party.

3. Rejection Bar Date.

16. The Debtor anticipates that certain Persons and Entities may assert claims in connection with the Debtor's rejection of executory contracts and unexpired leases pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor proposes that, for any such claim (a "Rejection

³ "2024 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of January 20, 2024 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2024 Notes Indenture.

⁴ "2026 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of August 15, 2026 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2026 Notes Indenture.

⁵ "Notes Indentures" includes the: (1) "2024 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2024 Notes; and (2) "2026 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2026 Notes.

⁶ The meaning of the term Governmental Unit shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the Bankruptcy Code.

<u>Damages Claim</u>") relating to the Debtor's rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to a Court order authorizing such rejection (a "<u>Rejection Order</u>"), prior to confirmation of the Plan, the rejection bar date for such a claim will be the later of: (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date that is thirty (30) calendar days after the entry of the applicable Rejection Order ("<u>Rejection Bar</u> Date").

4. Amended Schedules Bar Date.

17. The Debtor may subsequently amend or supplement the Schedules filed in this Chapter 11 Case, including to designate any scheduled claim as disputed, contingent or unliquidated. If the Debtor subsequently amends or supplements the Schedules (the "Amended Schedules"), the Debtor proposes that it will give notice of any such amendment or supplement to the holders of claims affected thereby, including notice of the Amended Schedules Bar Date (as defined herein) to file proofs of claim in response to the amendment or supplement to the Schedules. In particular, if the Debtor amends or supplements its Schedules to reduce the undisputed, noncontingent and liquidated amount, to change the nature or classification of a claim against the Debtor, or to add a new claim in the Schedules, the Debtor proposes that any affected Persons or Entities that dispute such changes should be required, by the Amended Schedules Bar Date, to file a Proof of Claim or amend any previously filed Proof of Claim in accordance with the procedures described herein. The Debtor proposes that the Amended Schedules Bar Date be established as the later of: (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date that is thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the notice of the applicable Amended Schedules is served on the Person or Entity (the "Amended Schedules Bar Date," and together with, the General Bar Date, the Governmental Bar Date, and the Rejection Bar Date, the "Bar Dates"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Debtor reserves the right to object to any claim, whether scheduled or filed, on any grounds.

B. Proposed Proof of Claim Procedures

1. Claims That Must be Filed by the General Bar Date.

- 18. Except as otherwise set forth herein and specifically excludes any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures, the Debtor proposes that the following Persons and Entities be required to file proofs of claim on or before the General Bar Date:
 - a. any Person or Entity whose claim against the Debtor is not listed in the Debtor's Schedules, or is listed as "contingent," "unliquidated," or "disputed," if such Person or Entity desires to share in any distribution or vote on any plan in the Chapter 11 Case;
 - b. any Person or Entity who believes that its claim is improperly classified in the Schedules or is listed in an incorrect amount and who desires to have its claim allowed in a different classification or amount other than that identified in the Schedules; and
 - c. any Person or Entity who believes that its claim against the Debtor is or may be entitled to priority under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. Proofs of Claim Not Required to Be Filed By the General Bar Date.

- 19. The Debtor proposes that the following Persons and Entities, whose claims otherwise would be subject to the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, need not file proofs of claim:
 - a. any Person or Entity that already has filed a signed Proof of Claim against the Debtor in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 with the Debtor's Claims Agent;
 - b. any Person or Entity whose claim is listed on the Schedules if: (i) the claim is not scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," and/or "unliquidated;" and (ii) such Person or Entity agrees with the amount, nature, and priority of the claim as set forth in the Schedules;
 - c. any Person or Entity whose claim: (i) has previously been allowed by order of the Court; (ii) has been paid in full by the Debtor pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or in accordance with an order of the Court; or (iii) is subject to a separate deadline pursuant to an order of the Court; and
 - d. any Person or Entity whose claim is derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures.

C. Proposed Form of Proof of Claim.

20. The Debtor has prepared and requests that the Court approve the Proof of Claim Form. Although the Proof of Claim Form is based on Official Form 410, it has, among other things, been modified to allow creditors to request payment for claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.

D. Requirements for Preparing and Filing Proofs of Claim.

- 21. With respect to preparing and filing of a Proof of Claim, the Debtor proposes that the Court require each Proof of Claim be consistent with the following:
 - a. <u>Contents</u>. Each Proof of Claim must: (i) be written in English; (ii) include a claim amount denominated in United States dollars; (iii) conform substantially with the Proof of Claim Form provided by the Debtor; and (iv) be signed by the claimant or by an authorized agent or legal representative of the claimant.
 - b. Section 503(b)(9) Claim. Any Proof of Claim asserting a claim entitled to priority under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code must also: (i) include the value of the goods delivered to and received by the Debtor in the ordinary course of business and in the 20 days prior to the Petition Date; (ii) attach any documentation identifying the particular invoices for which the 503(b)(9) claim is being asserted; and (iii) attach documentation of any reclamation demand made to the Debtor under section 546(c) of the Bankruptcy Code (if applicable).
 - c. <u>Original Signatures Required</u>. Each Proof of Claim must include the claimant's original signature (which may be satisfied by electronic signature through the Claims Agent electronic claims filing system).
 - d. <u>Supporting Documentation</u>. Each Proof of Claim must include supporting documentation in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d). If, however, such documentation is voluminous, such Proof of Claim may include a summary of such documentation or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available.
 - e. <u>Timely Service</u>. Each Proof of Claim form, including supporting documentation, must be submitted by electronic submission through the Claims Agent's website www.kccllc.net/medley, or by hand delivery, courier service, first-class mail, overnight mail as to be actually received by the Claims Agent on or before the applicable Bar Date at Medley Claims Processing Center, c/o KCC, 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste 300, El Segundo, CA 90245. Proofs of Claim will be deemed filed when actually

- received. Copies of proofs of claim or proofs of claim sent by facsimile or electronic mail will not be accepted.
- a. Receipt of Service. Persons or Entities wishing to receive acknowledgment that their paper-filed proofs of claim were received by the Claims Agent must submit: (i) a copy of the Proof of Claim Form (in addition to the original Proof of Claim Form sent to the Claims Agent); and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

E. <u>Consequences of Failure to File a Proof of Claim Form.</u>

22. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c)(2), the Debtor proposes that Persons or Entities that are required to file a Proof of Claim, but fail to properly file a Proof of Claim Form by the applicable Bar Dates, shall be forever barred, estopped and enjoined from: (i) asserting any prepetition claim against the Debtor that such Person or Entity may possess and that (a) is in an amount that exceeds the amount, if any, that is identified in the Schedules on behalf of such Person or Entity as undisputed, noncontingent and liquidated, or (b) is of a different nature, classification or priority than any claim identified in the Schedules on behalf of such Person or Entity (any such claim under this subparagraph (i) being referred to herein as an "Unscheduled Claim"); and (ii) voting upon, or receiving distributions under, the Plan in this Chapter 11 Case in respect of an Unscheduled Claim unless otherwise ordered by the Court. Without limiting the foregoing sentence, any creditor asserting a claim entitled to priority pursuant to section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code that fails to file a Proof of Claim in accordance with the Bar Date Order may not be entitled to any priority treatment on account of such claim pursuant to section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, regardless of whether such claim is identified on Schedule F of the Schedules as not contingent, not disputed, and not unliquidated.

F. Proposed Procedures for Providing Notice of and Filing Proofs of Claim.

23. The Debtor proposes the following procedures for providing notice of the Bar Dates and for filing Proofs of Claim. The Debtor proposes to serve on all known Persons and Entities, whose claims otherwise would be subject to the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, and specifically excluding any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and

2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures: (i) the Bar Date Notice; and (ii) the Proof of Claim Form (collectively, with the Bar Date Notice, the "Bar Date Package").

- 24. The Debtor proposes to file the Bar Date Notice on the docket within two (2) business days of filing its Schedules.
- 25. No later than five (5) business days after the Debtor files the Bar Date Notice with the Court, the Debtor, through the Claims Agent, intends to mail the Bar Date Package by first-class United States mail, postage prepaid (or equivalent service), to: (a) the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (b) U.S. Bank National Association as indenture trustee for the Debtor's 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes; (c) the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; (d) the New York Stock Exchange; (e) all individuals or entities that have requested notice in this Chapter 11 Case pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002; (f) the District Director of Internal Revenue for the District of Delaware and all other taxing authorities for the jurisdictions in which the Debtor conducts business; (g) all relevant state attorneys general; (h) the plan sponsor, Medley Management Inc.; (i) Strategic Capital Advisory Services; (j) MOF II GP; (k) Vornado Realty Trust; and (l) pursuant to Local Rule 2002-1(e), counsel to any of the foregoing, if known.
- 26. Debtor seeks approval of the Proof of Claim Form attached as <u>Exhibit 2</u> to the Proposed Order, which, although based upon Official Form 410, has been modified to allow creditors to assert section 503(b)(9) claims. The Proof of Claim Form will state, along with the claimant's name: (a) whether the claimant's claim is listed as disputed, contingent or unliquidated; and (c) whether the claimant's claim is listed as secured, unsecured or priority. If a claim is listed in the Schedules in a liquidated amount that is not disputed or contingent, the dollar amount of the claim (as listed in the Schedules) will also be identified on the Proof of Claim Form. Any Person or Entity that relies on the information in the Schedules will bear responsibility for determining that its claim is accurately listed therein.

G. Publication of Bar Date Notice.

- 27. In the interest of ensuring that all potential claimants receive adequate notice of the Bar Dates, in addition to mailing the Bar Date Notice to known creditors, the Debtor proposes to provide notice of the Bar Dates by publication. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002(l), the Debtor proposes to publish the Publication Notice, substantially the form attached as **Exhibit 3** to the Proposed Order, on one occasion in the national edition of *The New York Times* no later than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the General Bar Date. As set forth in **Exhibit 3** to the Proposed Order, the Publication Notice will contain, among other things: (a) a website address where potential claimants may download the relevant claim form and related instructions; (b) the Claims Agent's website for the Chapter 11 Case; and (c) a toll-free number whereby potential claimants can contact the Claims Agent to seek additional information with respect to filing claims.
- 28. As a result of all of these procedures and efforts, as well as the anticipated and ongoing public attention to the Chapter 11 Case and the establishment of the Bar Dates as requested in this Motion, claimants will have or should have the information necessary to be able to file claims in the Chapter 11 Case.

H. Expungement of Claims filed by Holders of Notes Claims and the Indenture Trustee

29. The Debtor seeks the Court's authorization to expunge any Proof of Claim that contains claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures, without further Order of the Court.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

I. The Court Should Approve the Bar Dates and the Proposed Procedures for Filing Proofs of Claim in the Chapter 11 Case.

30. Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c)(3) generally governs the filing of proofs of claim in a chapter 11 case and provides, in pertinent part, that "[t]he court shall fix and for cause shown may extend the time within which proofs of claim or interest may be filed." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3003(c)(3). Although Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(7) generally provides that all parties in interest

must receive, at a minimum, 21 days' notice of the time fixed for filing proofs of claim pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c), neither the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, nor the Local Rules specify a time by which proofs of claim must be filed in chapter 11 cases (other than section 502(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code relating to governmental units).

- 31. Claims bar dates play an essential role in the two important goals of bankruptcy preserving the Debtor's going-concern value and maximizing property available to satisfy creditors. See Bank of Am. Nat'l Trust & Sav. Ass'n v. 203 N. LaSalle St. P'ship, 526 U.S. 434, 453 (1999). Claims bar dates allow debtors and parties in interest to expeditiously determine and evaluate the liabilities of debtors' estates. The absence of such a deadline, in contrast, would prolong creditor uncertainty, increase the costs and expenses incurred by debtors in connection with the claims reconciliation process, and delay, or even derail, the claims process, thus undercutting one of the principal purposes of bankruptcy law "secur[ing] within a limited period the prompt and effectual administration and settlement" of debtors' estates. See Chemetron Corp. v. Jones, 72 F.3d 341, 346 (3d Cir. 1995).
- 32. The procedures proposed herein provide creditors with ample notice and a clear process for filing proofs of claim in a manner that achieves administrative and judicial efficiency. Indeed, the proposed procedures outlined herein will provide comprehensive notice and clear instructions to creditors, and allow this Chapter 11 Case to move forward quickly with a minimum of administrative expense and delay.
- 33. The Debtor's proposed procedures provide clear instructions that will help avoid confusion or uncertainty among creditors that might lead them to file unnecessary protective proofs of claim or multiple proofs of claim that would cause expense and delay in the claims process for all parties. Additionally, the proposed use of a modified Proof of Claim Form for creditors requesting payment for claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code is designed to streamline the claims process for such claims. The proposed procedures outlined herein are designed to comply with the Bankruptcy Code and provide the Debtor with flexibility

in case of the need for any Amended Schedules Bar Date and for situations in which a creditor's claim status may change during this Chapter 11 Case.

II. The Proposed Notice Procedures are Reasonable, Appropriate, and Should Be Approved.

- 34. The Debtor respectfully submits that the notice procedures outlined herein regarding the Bar Dates are reasonable and appropriate and should be approved. In conjunction with setting deadlines to file proofs of claim, the Debtor must give appropriate notice to interested parties. Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(7) requires that the Debtor provides claimants at least 21 days' notice by mail of the Bar Date Order that the Court sets pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c). Here, all of the proposed Bar Dates exceed this threshold and provide more than sufficient time for noticing the Debtor's known and unknown creditors. Additionally, the proposed procedures for service of the Bar Date Order are appropriate.
- distinguishes between "known" and "unknown" creditors. *Chemetron*, 72 F.3d at 345-46. A "known" creditor is one whose identity is either known or is "reasonably ascertainable by the debtor." *Id.* at 346 (citing *Tulsa Prof'l Collection Servs., Inc. v. Pope*, 485 U.S. 478, 490 (1988)). A creditor's identity is "reasonably ascertainable" if that creditor can be identified through "reasonably diligent efforts." *Mennonite Bd. of Missions v. Adams*, 462 U.S. 791, 798 n.4 (1983). But this does not require the debtor to engage in "impracticable and extended searches . . . in the name of due process." *See Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Bank & Trust Co.*, 339 U.S. 306, 317-18 (1950). Rather, the required search is limited to the Debtor's "books and records." *See Chemetron*, 72 F.3d at 347. An "unknown" creditor is one whose "interests are either conjectural or future or, although they could be discovered upon investigation, do not in due course of business come to knowledge [of the debtor]." *Id.* at 346 (citing *Mullane*, 339 U.S. at 317).

- 36. The Debtor proposes to mail the Bar Date Notice to its known creditors, identifiable by the Debtor from its books and records, but must rely on publication to give notice to any unknown creditors. This procedure is consistent with constitutional due process and applicable bankruptcy law. *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(1), 9008; *see also Mullane*, 339 U.S. at 317; *Chemetron*, 72 F.3d at 345-46. As the Third Circuit explained in *Chemetron*, "[k]nown creditors must be provided with actual written notice of the Debtor's bankruptcy filing and bar [] date." 72 F.3d at 346. For unknown creditors, however, "notification by publication will generally suffice." *Id.* (citations omitted). Bankruptcy Rule 2002(1) also provides that the Court may order notice by publication if it finds that notice by mail is impractical or it is desirable to supplement other notice, and Bankruptcy Rule 9008 provides that the Court shall determine the form and manner of publication notice, the newspapers used, and the frequency of publication.
- 37. The Debtor submits that the relief requested herein provides for clear and timely notice of the Bar Dates in satisfaction of the requirements of the Bankruptcy Rules and consistent with the underlying policies of the Bankruptcy Code, and in compliance with the aforementioned precedent. Specifically, to the extent the General Bar Date is established as proposed, which is the first business day that is thirty (30) calendar days after the Mailing Deadline, the Debtor intends to: (a) file the Bar Date Notice within two (2) business days after filing its Schedules; (b) cause the Bar Date Package to be mailed to all known creditors within five (5) business days after the filing of the Bar Date Notice; and (c) cause the Publication Notice to be published by a date that is at least twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the General Bar Date. Thus, by establishing the General Bar Date in accordance with the provisions hereof, all known claimants will have more than 21 days' actual notice, and unknown or unreachable claimants will have at least 21 days of constructive notice of the Bar Dates for filing Proofs of Claim, thereby satisfying Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(7).
- 38. In addition, requiring Persons and Entities asserting claims pursuant to section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code to assert such claims by filing a Proof of Claim on or prior to

the General Bar Date will ensure that the Debtor has complete information regarding the nature, validity, and amount of such section 503(b)(9) claims, if any, while affording parties asserting section 503(b)(9) claims appropriate and adequate notice. Moreover, this approach facilitates a more cost-effective and efficient claims process for such creditors and helps conserve estate resources to the benefit of the Debtor's creditors. The Debtor submits that requiring parties to assert section 503(b)(9) claims by Proof of Claim, on or before the applicable Bar Date, is justified and warranted under the circumstances of this Chapter 11 Case. Moreover, Courts in this district have routinely granted such relief. *See, e.g., In re Fairway Energy, LP*, No. 18-12684 (LSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Feb. 1, 2019) [D.I. 191] (establishing bar date for filing section 503(b)(9) proofs of claim); *In re VER Techs. HoldCo LLC*, No. 18-10834 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. May. 4, 2018) [D.I. 224] (same); and *In re Longview Power, LLC*, No. 13-12211 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 21, 2013) [D.I. 503] (same).

- 39. Moreover, in the event the Debtor amends or supplements the Schedules subsequent to the date on which the Debtor serves the notice of the Amended Schedules, the Debtor shall give notice of any filing, amendment or supplement to the holders of affected claims whereby such holders will have until the Amended Schedules Bar Date to file Proofs of Claim with respect to their claims. Finally, to the extent any parties assert claims resulting from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired nonresidential lease, the Person or Entity shall be entitled to file a Proof of Claim until the Rejection Bar Date.
- 40. The procedures and notice periods described herein afford creditors ample opportunity to file Proofs of Claim while, at the same time, ensuring that the Debtor can achieve certainty with respect to its liabilities in a timely manner. Accordingly, the Debtor respectfully submits that the Bar Dates and the form and manner of providing notice thereof are appropriate in light of the circumstances, inure to the benefit of all parties in interest, and should be approved.

NOTICE

41. Notice of this Motion has been given to: (a) the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (b) U.S. Bank National Association as indenture trustee for the Debtor's 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes; (c) the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; (d) the New York Stock Exchange; (e) all individuals or entities that have requested notice in this Chapter 11 Case pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002; (f) the District Director of Internal Revenue for the District of Delaware and all other taxing authorities for the jurisdictions in which the Debtor conducts business; (g) all relevant state attorneys general; (h) the plan sponsor, Medley Management Inc.; (i) Strategic Capital Advisory Services; (j) MOF II GP; (k) Vornado Realty Trust; (l) the holders of the twenty largest unsecured claims against the Debtor; (m) pursuant to Local Rule 2002-1(e), counsel to any of the foregoing, if known.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor respectfully requests that the Court enter an order substantially in the form of the Proposed Order attached hereto as **Exhibit A**: (i) establishing the Bar Dates; and (ii) approving the form and manner of notice of the Bar Dates.

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NO PRIOR REQUEST

42. No prior request for the relief sought herein has been made to this or any other Court.

Dated: March 7, 2021 MORRIS JAMES LLP

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Exhibit A
Proposed Order

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	Chapter 11
Medley LLC, ¹	Case No. 21-10526 ()
Debtor.	

ORDER (I) ESTABLISHING BAR DATES FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIMS AND (II) APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the above-captioned debtor and debtor-in-possession (the "Debtor") in this chapter 11 case (the "Chapter 11 Case") requesting entry of an order (a) establishing bar dates for filing proofs of claims and (b) approving the form and manner of notice thereof; and the Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and venue being proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this matter being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and notice of the Motion being sufficient under the circumstances; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interest of the Debtor, its estate and creditors; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.
- 2. All Persons and Entities that assert a claim (as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code), including but not limited to all claims of setoff or recoupment and claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, against the Debtor that arose, or is deemed

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

to have arisen, prior to the Petition Date, and specifically excluding any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures, shall file a proof of such claim in writing or electronically with the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Claims Agent") so that it is *actually received* on or before 5:00 p.m. (ET), on the first business day that is thirty (30) calendar days after the Mailing Deadline (the "General Bar Date"); *provided, however*, that all Governmental Units (as defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code) that assert a claim (as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code), against the Debtors which arose or is deemed to have arisen prior to the Petition Date, shall file a proof of such claim in writing or electronically with the Claims Agent so that it is *actually received* on or before September 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. (ET). For the avoidance of doubt, the General Bar Date established by this Order supersedes any prior notice of a different bar date or deadline for filing proofs of claim, whether posted on the Court's docket or otherwise.

- 3. Any Person or Entity (including, without limitation, individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint ventures, trusts, and governmental units) that asserts a claim that arises from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease must file a proof of claim based on such rejection by the later of (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) the date that is thirty (30) calendar days following the entry of the order approving such rejection (the "Rejection Bar Date"), or be forever barred from doing so.
- 4. If the Debtor amends or supplements the schedules filed in this Chapter 11 Case (the "Schedules") subsequent to the date hereof in a manner that adds a new claim, reduces the undisputed, non-contingent or liquidated amount of a claim, or changes the nature or classification of a claim, the Debtor shall give notice of any such amendment or supplement to each holder of a claim affected thereby advising each such holder of the requirement to file a proof of claim and the deadline for such filing, and each such holder shall be required to file a proof of claim by the later of: (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the notice of the applicable amendment or supplement to the

Schedules is served on the person or entity (the "<u>Amended Schedules Bar Date</u>," and together with, the General Bar Date, the Governmental Bar Date, and Rejection Bar Date, the "Bar Dates").

- 5. The following procedures for the filing of proofs of claim shall apply to all proofs of claim:
 - a. <u>Contents</u>. Each proof of claim must: (i) be written in English; (ii) include a claim amount denominated in United States dollars; (iii) conform substantially with the Proof of Claim Form provided by the Debtor; and (iv) be signed by the claimant or by an authorized agent or legal representative of the claimant.
 - b. Section 503(b)(9) Claim. Any proof of claim asserting a claim entitled to priority under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code must also: (i) include the value of the goods delivered to and received by the Debtor in the ordinary course of business and in the 20 days prior to the Petition Date; (ii) attach any documentation identifying the particular invoices for which the 503(b)(9) claim is being asserted; and (iii) attach documentation of any reclamation demand made to the Debtor under section 546(c) of the Bankruptcy Code (if applicable).
 - c. <u>Original Signatures Required</u>. Each Proof of Claim must include the claimant's original signature (which may be satisfied by electronic signature through the Claims Agent electronic claims filing system).
 - d. <u>Supporting Documentation</u>. Each proof of claim must include supporting documentation in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d). If, however, such documentation is voluminous, such proof of claim may include a summary of such documentation or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available.
 - e. <u>Timely Service</u>. Each proof of claim form, including supporting documentation, must be submitted by electronic submission through the Claims Agent's website www.kccllc.net/medley, or by hand delivery, courier service, first-class mail, overnight mail as to be actually received by the Claims Agent on or before the applicable Bar Date at Medley Claims Processing Center, c/o KCC, 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste 300, El Segundo, CA 90245. Proofs of Claim will be deemed filed when actually received. Copies of proofs of claim or proofs of claim sent by facsimile or electronic mail will not be accepted.
 - f. Receipt of Service. Persons or Entities wishing to receive acknowledgment that their paper-filed proofs of claim were received by the Claims Agent must submit: (i) a copy of the Proof of Claim Form (in addition to the original Proof of Claim Form sent to the Claims Agent); and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

- 6. The following persons or entities are not required to file a proof of claim on or before the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable:
 - a. any Person or Entity that already has filed a signed proof of claim against the Debtor in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 with the Claims Agent;
 - b. any Person or Entity whose claim is listed on the Schedules if: (i) the claim is not scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," and/or "unliquidated;" and (ii) such Person or Entity agrees with the amount, nature, and priority of the claim as set forth in the Schedules;
 - c. any Person or Entity whose claim: (i) has previously been allowed by order of the Court; (ii) has been paid in full by the Debtor pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or in accordance with an order of the Court; or (iii) is subject to a separate deadline pursuant to an order of the Court; and
 - d. any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures.
- 7. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c)(2), any entity that is required to file a proof of claim in this chapter 11 case pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules or this Order with respect to a particular claim against the Debtor, but that fails to do so by the applicable Bar Date, shall not be treated as a creditor for purposes of voting on, or receiving distributions under, any chapter 11 plan in the Chapter 11 Case, except as otherwise ordered by the Court.
- 8. Nothing in this Order shall prejudice the right of the Debtor or any other party in interest to dispute or assert offsets or defenses to any claim reflected in the Schedules or any amendments thereto, as to amount, liability, classification or otherwise, and to subsequently designate any claim as disputed, contingent or unliquidated.
- 9. The Proof of Claim Form, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 2</u>, is approved as the proof of claim form for use by all Persons and Entities (including Governmental Units) asserting a claim against the Debtor, including a priority claim under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 10. The Bar Date Notice and Publication Notice, substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 3, respectively, are hereby approved.
- 11. The Debtor is authorized to make non-substantive changes to the Bar Date Notice and Publication Notice to correct any typographical errors or to conform to the relief granted in this Order.
- 12. Within two (2) business days of the filing of the Debtor's Schedules, the Debtor shall file the Bar Date Notice on the docket.
- 13. Within five (5) business days of the filing of the Bar Date Notice, the Debtor shall mail the Bar Date Package, by first-class United States mail, postage prepaid (or equivalent service), to:
 - (a) the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware;
 - (b) U.S. Bank National Association as indenture trustee for the Debtor's 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes;
 - (c) the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission;
 - (d) the New York Stock Exchange;
 - (e) all individuals or entities that have requested notice in this Chapter 11 Case pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002;
 - (f) the District Director of Internal Revenue for the District of Delaware and all other taxing authorities for the jurisdictions in which the Debtor conducts business;
 - (g) all relevant state attorneys general;
 - (h) the plan sponsor, Medley Management Inc.;
 - (i) Strategic Capital Advisory Services;
 - (j) MOF II GP;
 - (k) Vornado Realty Trust;
 - (l) the holders of the twenty largest unsecured claims against the Debtor; and
 - (m) pursuant to Local Rule 2002-1(e), counsel to any of the foregoing, if known.

- 14. No later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the General Bar Date, the Debtor shall publish the Bar Date Notice, modified for publication in substantially the form attached as <u>Exhibit 3</u> attached hereto (the "<u>Publication Notice</u>"), on one occasion in the national edition of *The New York Times*. Publication of the Publication Notice shall be conclusive proof that all unknown creditors of the Debtor have received good and sufficient notice of the Bar Dates and the procedures for filing proofs of claim in the Debtor's Chapter 11 Case.
- 15. Any Person or Entity (including any Governmental Unit) who desires to rely on the Schedules for purposes of deciding whether a proof of claim must be submitted shall have the responsibility for determining that its claim is accurately listed in the Schedules.
- 16. If a timely-filed claim is transferred, the transferred must (i) file a notice of transfer of the claim with the Claims Agent in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e) and (ii) file such notice of transfer with the Bankruptcy Court.
- 17. The Debtor is authorized to expunge any Proof of Claim that contains claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures, without further Order of the Court.
- 18. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, nothing in this order shall impair, impact, or otherwise apply to statutory fees payable pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1930.
 - 19. This Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 20. The Debtor is authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order.
- 21. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and decide any and all disputes related to or arising from the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

Exhibit 1
Bar Date Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
Medley LLC, ¹	Case No. 21-10526 ()
Debtor.	

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR

TO: ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST THE ENTITY LISTED BELOW

<u>DEBTOR</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	CASE NO.	<u>Last Four</u> <u>Digits of</u> <u>EIN</u>
Medley LLC	280 Park Avenue, 6th	21-10526	7343
	Floor East		
	New York, New York		
	10017		

On March ___, 2021, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered an Order (the "Bar Date Order") establishing: (a) that the above-captioned debtor and debtor-in-possession (the "Debtor") shall have two (2) business days to file the form of notice of the Bar Dates (as defined below) to be sent to parties in interest (the "Bar Date Notice") on the docket after filing its Schedules (as defined below); (b) that the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Claims Agent"), shall have five (5) business days following the filing of the Bar Date Notice to mail the Bar Date Package (as defined below) (the "Mailing Deadline"); and (3) the general bar date as 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on _____ (the "General Bar Date") as the deadline for each Person² or Entity (excluding

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any Governmental Units (as defined below)). The General Bar Date specifically excludes any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes³ and 2026 Notes⁴, or the Notes Indentures⁵. Except as otherwise provided herein, the General Bar Date will apply to all claims of any kind that arose, or are deemed to have arisen, prior to March 7, 2021 (the "Petition Date"), the date on which the Debtor commenced its case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), including, but not limited to administrative expense claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and all claims of setoff or recoupment. For the avoidance of doubt, the General Bar Date established by the Bar Date Order supersedes any prior notice of a different bar date or deadline for filing proofs of claim, whether posted on the Court's docket or otherwise.

The Bar Date Order also established **September 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. (ET)** (the "<u>Governmental Bar Date</u>") the last date for all Governmental Units holding claims against the Debtor that arose or are deemed to have arisen prior to the Petition Date to file a proof of claim against the Debtor.

The Bar Dates (as defined below) and the procedures set forth below for filing proofs of claim apply to all claims against the Debtor that arose, or is deemed to have arisen, prior to the Petition Date, except for those holders of the claims listed in Section 4 below that are specifically exempted from the requirements of the Bar Date Order.

1. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

³ "2024 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of January 20, 2024 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2024 Notes Indenture.

⁴ "2026 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of August 15, 2026 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2026 Notes Indenture.

⁵ "Notes Indentures" includes the: (1) "2024 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2024 Notes; and (2) "2026 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2026 Notes.

You MUST file a proof of claim to vote on a chapter 11 plan filed by the Debtor or to share in distributions from the Debtor's bankruptcy estate if you have a claim that arose prior to the Petition Date (including claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code), and it is not one of the types of claims described in Section 4 below. Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before the Petition Date must be filed on or prior to the applicable Bar Date, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain, or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated or certain before the Petition Date. Claims that arise from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease must be filed by the later of (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) the date that is thirty (30) calendar days following the entry of the order approving such rejection (the "Rejection Bar Date"). If the Debtor subsequently amends or supplements the schedules filed in this Chapter 11 Case (the "Schedules"), including to designate any scheduled claim as disputed, contingent or unliquidated (the "Amended Schedules"), any claim affected by the Debtor's amendment or supplement will receive notice by the Debtor and must file a proof of claim in response, in any, by the later of: (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the notice of the applicable amendment or supplement to the Schedules is served on the Person or Entity (the "Amended Schedules Bar Date," and together with, the General Bar Date, the Governmental Bar Date, and Rejection Bar Date, the "Bar Dates").

Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, and as used in this Notice, the word "claim" means: (a) a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) a right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured or unsecured. A "claim" shall include, but shall not be limited to, all claims of setoff or recoupment and claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. Examples of claims for which one must file a proof of claim shall include, but shall not be limited to, those arising from or related to:

breaches of contract, tort-based causes of action, unpaid goods and services, warranties, defective product, chargebacks or credits.

2. WHAT TO FILE

Your filed proof of claim must conform substantially to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410. Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410, along with coinciding instructions, may be obtained at: http://www.uscourts.gov/forms/bankruptcy-forms/proof-claim-0.

The Debtor is enclosing a proof of claim form (the "Proof of Claim Form") that conforms substantially to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 and has been approved by the Court for use in the Debtor's Chapter 11 Case. You may utilize the enclosed Proof of Claim Form or a photocopy of it to file your claim. Though the Proof of Claim Form is enclosed, the Proof of Claim Form may also be obtained by requesting a copy from the Claims Agent by: 877-634-7181 (toll-free) or if calling from outside the United States or Canada at 424-236-7226; (ii) by e-mail: MedleyInfo@kccllc.com; or (iii) on the Claims Agent's website at www.kccllc.net/medley.

All proofs of claim must be signed by the claimant or, if the claimant is not an individual, by an authorized agent of the claimant. All proofs of claim must be written in English and be denominated in United States currency. You should attach to your completed proof of claim any documents on which the claim is based (if voluminous, attach a summary) or an explanation as to why such documents are not available.

3. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE

Proofs of claim will be deemed timely filed only if <u>actually received</u> by the Claims Agent on or before the applicable Bar Dates. Proofs of claim may be delivered to the Claims Agent by mail, hand delivery, or overnight courier to the address below:

Medley Claims Processing Center c/o Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste 300 El Segundo, California 90245 Proofs of claim may also be filed electronically using the interface available on the Claims Agent's website at www.kccllc.net/medley. A working e-mail address is required for online submission of proofs of claim.

PROOFS OF CLAIM MAY NOT BE DELIVERED BY FACSIMILE, TELECOPY, OR ELECTRONIC MAIL (OTHER THAN ELECTRONICALLY FILING USING THE INTERFACE DESCRIBED IN THE PARAGRAPH ABOVE).

4. WHO NEED NOT FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

You do not need to file a proof of claim on or prior to the applicable Bar Date if you are:

- a. any Person or Entity that already has filed a signed proof of claim against the Debtor in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 with the Debtor's Claims Agent;
- b. any Person or Entity whose claim is listed on the Schedules if: (i) the claim is not scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," and/or "unliquidated;" and (ii) such Person or Entity agrees with the amount, nature, and priority of the claim as set forth in the Schedules;
- c. any Person or Entity whose claim: (i) has previously been allowed by order of the Court; (ii) has been paid in full by the Debtor pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or in accordance with an order of the Court; or (iii) is subject to a separate deadline pursuant to an order of the Court;
- d. any Person or Entity whose claim is derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures.

This Notice is being sent to many Persons and Entities that have had some relationship with or have done business with the Debtor but may not have an unpaid claim against the Debtor. The fact that you have received this Notice does not mean that you have a claim against the Debtor or that the Debtor or the Court believe that you have a claim against the Debtor.

5. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM BY THE APPLICABLE BAR DATE

ANY HOLDER OF A CLAIM THAT IS NOT EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BAR DATE ORDER, AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 4 ABOVE, AND THAT FAILS TO TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM SHALL BE

BARRED FROM ASSERTING SUCH CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR AND ITS CHAPTER 11 ESTATE, FROM VOTING WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM ON ANY CHAPTER 11 PLAN FILED IN THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE, AND FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY PAYMENT OR DISTRIBUTION TO CREDITORS IN THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM, UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT.

6. THE DEBTOR'S SCHEDULES AND ACCESS THERETO

You may be listed as the holder of a claim against the Debtor in the Debtor's Schedules, which were filed with the Bankruptcy Court on or before March 7, 2021.

If you rely on the Debtor's Schedules, it is your responsibility to determine that your claim is accurately listed in the Schedules. If (a) you agree with the nature, amount and status of your claim as listed in the Debtor's Schedules, and (b) your claim is not described as "disputed," "contingent" or "unliquidated" in the Schedules, you need not file a proof of claim. Otherwise, or if you decide to file a proof of claim, you must do so before the applicable Bar Dates in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Notice.

Copies of the Debtor's Schedules are available for inspection at http://ecf.deb.uscourts.gov. A login and password to the Court's Public Access to Electronic Court Records (PACER) system are required to access this information and can be obtained through the PACER Service Center at http://www.pacer.gov. In addition, copies of the Schedules may be examined between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. Finally, copies of the Debtor's Schedules are also available for free on the Claims Agent's website: at www.kccllc.net/medley.

A holder of a claim against the Debtor should consult an attorney regarding any matters not covered by this Notice, such as whether the holder should file a proof of claim.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT

Dated:	. 2021

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Exhibit 2
Proof of Claim Form

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Your claim can be filed electronically on KCC's website at https://epoc.kccllc.net/medley.

Fill in this information to identify the case:			
Debtor	Medley LLC		
United States B	ankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware		
Case number	21-10526 ()		

Official Form 410

Proof of Claim 04/19

Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Other than a claim under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9), this form should not be used to make a claim for an administrative expense arising after the commencement of the case.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies or any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. **Do not send original documents**; they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed.

P	art 1: Identify the Clair	n					
1.	Who is the current creditor?	Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim) Other names the creditor used with the debtor					
2.	Has this claim been acquired from someone else?	No Yes. From whom?					
3.	Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent?	Where should notices to the creditor be sent?	Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)				
	creditor be sent?	Name	Name				
	Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)	Number Street	Number Street				
	(11.51) 2002(g)	City State ZIP Code	City State ZIP Code				
		Country	Country				
		Contact phone	Contact phone				
		Contact email	Contact email				
		Uniform claim identifier for electronic payments in chapter 13 (if you us	ee one):				
4.	Does this claim amend one already filed?	No Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known)	Filed on				
5.	Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?	No Yes. Who made the earlier filing?					

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Pá	Give Information Ab	out the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed			
6. Do you have any number No					
	you use to identify the debtor?	Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor:			
7.	How much is the claim?	\$ Does this amount include interest or other charges? \[\bigcup \text{No} \] \[\bigcup \text{Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).}			
8.	What is the basis of the claim?	Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information.			
9.	Is all or part of the claim secured?	No Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property. Nature of property: Real estate: If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment (Official Form 410-A) with this Proof of Claim. Motor vehicle Other. Describe: Basis for perfection: Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.) Value of property: Amount of the claim that is secured: Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amount should match the amount in line 7.) Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: Fixed Variable			
10.	Is this claim based on a lease?	No Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition.			
11.	Is this claim subject to a right of setoff?	□ No □ Yes. Identify the property:			

12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under		No						Amount ontitled to make the
11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?		Yes. Chec	k all that apply:				Д	Amount entitled to priority
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in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.					rchase, lease, or sehold use. 11 U			
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		□ Taxes	or penalties owe	ed to governm	ental units. 11 U.S	S.C. § 507(a)(8)). \$ <u> </u>	
		Contri	butions to an en	nployee benef	it plan. 11 U.S.C.	§ 507(a)(5).	\$_	
		Other.	. Specify subsec	tion of 11 U.S	.C. § 507(a)() t	that applies.	\$_	
		* Amounts	are subject to adju	stment on 4/01/2	22 and every 3 years	s after that for case	es begun on o	or after the date of adjustment.
13. Is all or part of the claim pursuant to 11 U.S.C.		No						
§ 503(b)(9)?		days befo	re the date of co	mmencement		se, in which the	goods have	d by the debtor within 20 e been sold to the Debtor in uch claim.
		\$						
The person completing this proof of claim must	_	the approp						
sign and date it. FRBP 9011(b).	<u> </u>	am the cred	ditor.					
If you file this claim	I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent. I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.							
electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts								
to establish local rules specifying what a signature		am a guara	ntor, surety, end	orser, or other	codebtor. Bankru	ıptcy Rule 3005		
A person who files a fraudulent claim could be					Proof of Claim se btor credit for any			ent that when calculating d the debt.
fined up to \$500,000,							that the inf	formation is true and correct.
imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.	I decla	are under pe	enalty of perjury t	hat the forego	ing is true and co	rrect.		
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.	Execu	ted on date	MM / DD /	YYYY				
	S	ignature						
	Print	the name o	f the person wh	o is completi	ng and signing t	his claim:		
	Name			<u> </u>				
			First name		Middle name		Last name	
	Title							
	Compa	ny	Identify the corpor	ate servicer as th	ne company if the au	thorized agent is a	servicer.	
	Addres	s	Number	Street				
			City		State		ZIP Code	Country
	Contac	t phone				Email		Country

Official Form 410

Instructions for Proof of Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court

These instructions and definitions generally explain the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases that debtors do not file voluntarily, exceptions to these general rules may apply. You should consider obtaining the advice of an attorney, especially if you are unfamiliar with the bankruptcy process and privacy regulations.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.

18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157 and 3571

How to fill out this form

- Fill in all of the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed.
- Fill in the caption at the top of the form
- If the claim has been acquired from someone else, then state the identity of the last party who owned the claim or was the holder of the claim and who transferred it to you before the initial claim was filed.
- Attach any supporting documents to this form.

 Attach redacted copies of any documents that show that the debt exists, a lien secures the debt, or both. (See the definition of *redaction* on the next page.)

Also attach redacted copies of any documents that show perfection of any security interest or any assignments or transfers of the debt. In addition to the documents, a summary may be added. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (called "Bankruptcy Rule") 3001(c) and (d).

- Do not attach original documents because attachments may be destroyed after scanning.
- If the claim is based on delivery health care goods or services, do not disclose confidential health care information. Leave out or redact confidential information both in the claim and in the attached documents.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED PROOF(S) OF CLAIM TO

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Medley LLC Claims Processing Center c/o KCC 222 N. Pacific Coast Hwy., Ste. 300 El Segundo, CA 90245

Alternatively, your claim can be filed electronically on KCC's website at https://epoc.kccllc.net/medley.

- A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, individual's tax identification number, or financial account number, and only the year of any person's date of birth. See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.
- For a minor child, fill in only the child's initials and the full name and address of the child's parent or guardian. For example, write A.B., a minor child (John Doe, parent, 123 Main St., City, State). See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

Confirmation that the claim has been filed

To receive confirmation that the claim has been filed, either enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this form or you may view a list of filed claims in this case by visiting the Claims and Noticing and Agent's website at http://www.kccllc.net/medley

Understand the terms used in this form

Administrative expense: Generally, an expense that arises after a bankruptcy case is filed in connection with operating, liquidating, or distributing that bankruptcy estate. 11 U.S.C. § 503

Claim: A creditor's right to receive payment for a debt that the debtor owed on the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (5). A claim may be secured or unsecured.

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Claim Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §503(b)(9): A claim arising from the value of any goods received by the Debtor within 20 days before the date of commencement of the above case, in which the goods have been sold to the Debtor in the ordinary course of the Debtor's business. Attach documentation supporting such claim.

Creditor: A person, corporation, or other entity to whom a debtor owes a debt that was incurred on or before the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (10).

Debtor: A person, corporation, or other entity to who is in bankruptcy. Use the debtor's name and case number as shown in the bankruptcy notice you received. 11 U.S.C. §101 (13).

Evidence of perfection: Evidence of perfection of a security interest may include documents showing that a security interest has been filed or recorded, such as a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, or financing statement.

Information that is entitled to privacy: A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, an individual's tax identification number, or a financial account number, only the initials of a minor's name, and only the year of any person's date of birth. If a claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services to avoid embarrassment or disclosure of confidential health care information. You may later be required to give more information if the trustee or someone else in interest objects to the claim.

Priority claim: A claim within a category of unsecured claims that is entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. §507(a). These claims are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims are paid. Common priority unsecured claims include alimony, child support, taxes, and certain unpaid wages.

Proof of claim: A form that shows the amount of debt the debtor owed to a creditor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The form must be filed in the district where the case is pending.

Redaction of information: Masking, editing out, or deleting certain information to protect privacy. Filers must redact or leave out information entitled to **privacy** on the *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents.

Do not file these instructions with your form.

Secured claim under 11 U.S.C. §506(a): A claim backed by a lien on particular property of the debtor. A claim is secured to the extent that a creditor has the right to be paid from the property before other creditors are paid. The amount of a secured claim usually cannot be more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the property normally may be an unsecured claim. But exceptions exist; for example, see 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b) and the final sentence of 1325(a).

Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate a security interest in a car. A lien may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In states, a court judgment may be a lien.

Setoff: Occurs when a creditor pays itself with money belonging to the debtor that it is holding, or by canceling a debt it owes to the debtor.

Uniform claim identifier: An optional 24-character identifier that some creditors use to facilitate electronic payment.

Unsecured claim: A claim that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be unsecured in part to the extent that the amount of the claim is more than the value of the property on which a creditor has a lien.

Offers to purchase a claim

Certain entities purchase claims for an amount that is less than the face value of the claims. These entities may contact creditors offering to purchase their claims. Some written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court, the bankruptcy trustee, or the debtor. A creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if a creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of that claim is subject to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e), any provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) that apply, and any orders of the bankruptcy court that apply.

Exhibit 3
Publication Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
Medley LLC, ¹	Case No. 21-10526 ()
Debtor.	

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR

TO: ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST ANY OF THE ENTITIES LISTED BELOW

<u>DEBTOR</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	CASE NO.	<u>Last Four</u> <u>Digits of</u> <u>EIN</u>
Medley LLC	280 Park Avenue, 6 th Floor East	21-10526	7343
	New York, New York		
	10017		

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") has established deadlines to file proofs of claim against the debtor listed above (the "Debtor"). The applicable deadlines are:

DEADLINE	
Mailing Deadline	five (5) business days following the Debtor's filing of the Bar Date Notice (as defined below)
General Bar Date	first business day that is thirty (30) calendar days after the Mailing Deadline (as defined below)
Governmental Bar Date	September 3, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Amended Schedules Bar Date	the later of (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date that is thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the Debtor provided notice of an amendment or supplement to the Schedules

¹ The last four digits of the Debtor's taxpayer identification number are 7343. The Debtor's principal executive office is located at 280 Park Avenue, 6th Floor East, New York, New York 10017.

Rejection Bar Date	the later of (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
	on the date that is thirty (30) calendar days after the applicable
	Rejection Order (as defined below)

On March , 2021, the Court entered an Order (the "Bar Date Order") establishing: (a) that the Debtor shall have two (2) business days to file the form of notice of the Bar Dates (as defined below) to be sent to parties in interest (the "Bar Date Notice") on the docket after filing its Schedules (as defined below); (b) that the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Claims Agent"), shall have five (5) business days following the filing of the Bar Date Notice to mail the Bar Date Package (as defined below) (the "Mailing Deadline"); and (3) the general bar date as 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the first business day that is thirty (30) calendar days after the Mailing Deadline (the "General Bar Date") as the deadline for each Person² or Entity (excluding any Governmental Units (as defined below)). The General Bar Date specifically excludes any claims derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes³ and 2026 Notes⁴, or the Notes Indentures⁵. Except as otherwise provided herein, the General Bar Date will apply to all claims of any kind that arose, or are deemed to have arisen, prior to March 7, 2021 (the "Petition Date"), the date on which the Debtor commenced its case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), including, but not limited to administrative expense claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and all claims of setoff or recoupment.

The Bar Date Order also established **September 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. (ET)** (the "Governmental Bar Date") the last date for all Governmental Units holding claims against the Debtor that arose or are deemed to have arisen prior to the Petition Date to file a proof of claim against the Debtor.

Claims that arise from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease must be filed by the later of (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) the date that is thirty (30) calendar days following the entry of the order approving such rejection (the "Rejection Bar Date"). If the Debtor subsequently amends or supplements the schedules filed in this Chapter 11 Case (the "Schedules"), including to designate any scheduled claim as disputed, contingent or unliquidated (the "Amended Schedules"), any claim affected by the Debtor's amendment or supplement will receive notice by the Debtor and must file a proof of claim in

² The meaning of the terms Person and Entity shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Bankruptcy Code.

³ "2024 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of January 20, 2024 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2024 Notes Indenture.

⁴ "2026 Notes" means the senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of August 15, 2026 issued by Medley LLC pursuant to the 2026 Notes Indenture.

⁵ "Notes Indentures" includes the: (1) "2024 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2024 Notes; and (2) "2026 Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture agreement (as may be amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time) dated August 9, 2016, between Medley LLC, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, that governs the 2026 Notes.

response, in any, by the later of: (i) the General Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, or (ii) thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the notice of the applicable amendment or supplement to the Schedules is served on the Person or Entity (the "Amended Schedules Bar Date," and together with, the General Bar Date, the Governmental Bar Date, and Rejection Bar Date, the "Bar Dates").

Any Person or Entity (including Governmental Units) asserting a claim against the Debtor that arose or is deemed to have arisen prior to March 7, 2021 (the "Petition Date") must file a proof of claim on or before the applicable Bar Dates noted above.

Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, and as used herein, the word "claim" means: (a) a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) a right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured. A "claim" includes, but is not limited to, all claims of setoff or recoupment and claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. Examples of claims for which one must file a proof of claim include, but are not limited to, those arising from or related to: breaches of contract, tort-based causes of action, unpaid goods and services, warranties, defective product and product liability, chargebacks or credits.

The following persons or entities are **not required** to file a proof of claim on or before the applicable Bar Date:

- a. any Person or Entity that already has filed a signed proof of claim against the Debtor in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 with the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Claims Agent");
- b. any Person or Entity whose claim is listed on the Schedules if: (i) the claim is not scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," and/or "unliquidated;" and (ii) such Person or Entity agrees with the amount, nature, and priority of the claim as set forth in the Schedules;
- c. any Person or Entity whose claim: (i) has previously been allowed by order of the Court; (ii) has been paid in full by the Debtor pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or in accordance with an order of the Court; or (iii) is subject to a separate deadline pursuant to an order of the Court; and
- d. any Person or Entity whose claim is derived from, or based upon, the 2024 Notes and 2026 Notes, or the Notes Indentures.

All proofs of claim must be filed with the Debtor's Claims Agent so as to be <u>actually received</u> on or before the applicable Bar Dates. Proofs of claim may be delivered to the Claims Agent by mail, by hand delivery, or by overnight courier to the address below:

Medley Claims Processing Center c/o Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste 300 El Segundo, California 90245

Proofs of claim may also be filed electronically using the interface available on the Claims Agent's website at www.kccllc.net/medley. A working e-mail address is required for online submission of proofs of claim.

Proofs of claim may not be delivered by facsimile, telecopy or electronic mail (other than electronically filing using the interface described in the paragraph above). Each proof of claim must be written in English and be denominated in United States currency.

ANY HOLDER OF A CLAIM THAT IS NOT EXEMPT FROM FILING A PROOF OF CLAIM, AS SET FORTH ABOVE, AND THAT FAILS TO TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM SHALL BE BARRED FROM ASSERTING SUCH CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR AND ITS CHAPTER 11 ESTATE, FROM VOTING WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM ON ANY CHAPTER 11 PLAN FILED IN THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE, AND FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY PAYMENT OR DISTRIBUTION TO CREDITORS IN THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM, UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT.

A proof of claim form approved for use in the Debtor's Chapter 11 Case may be obtained by requesting a copy from the Claims Agent (i) by telephone 877-634-7181 (toll-free) or if calling from outside the United States or Canada at 424-236-7226; (ii) by e-mail: MedleyInfo@kccllc.com; or (iii) on the Claims Agent's website at www.kccllc.net/medley.

Dated:	, 2021	MORRIS JAMES LLF

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