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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:

STAGE STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-32564 (DRJ)

(Jointly Administered)

DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF PJ SOLOMON, L.P. AND PJ SOLOMON SECURITIES, LLC AS INVESTMENT BANKER FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION, EFFECTIVE AS OF MAY 10, 2020

IF YOU OBJECT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED, YOU MUST RESPOND IN WRITING, SPECIFICALLY ANSWERING EACH PARAGRAPH OF THIS PLEADING. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COURT, YOU MUST FILE YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT WITHIN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU WERE SERVED WITH THIS PLEADING. YOU MUST SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON THE PERSON WHO SENT YOU THE NOTICE; OTHERWISE, THE COURT MAY TREAT THE PLEADING AS UNOPPOSED AND GRANT THE RELIEF REQUESTED.

REPRESENTED PARTIES SHOULD ACT THROUGH THEIR ATTORNEY.

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors")² state

as follows in support of this (the "Application"):

Relief Requested

1. The Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto:

(a) granting authority to retain and employ PJ Solomon, L.P. and PJ Solomon Securities, LLC

(collectively "Solomon") as investment banker to the Debtors, effective as of May 10, 2020,

² A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, and the facts and circumstances supporting the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, are set forth in the *Declaration of Elaine D. Crowley, Chief Restructuring Officer of Stage Stores Inc., in Support of Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* [Docket No. 26] (the "<u>First Day Declaration</u>").



¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Stage Stores, Inc. (6900) and Specialty Retailers, Inc. (1900). The Debtors' service address is: 2425 West Loop South, Houston, Texas 77027.

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pursuant to the terms and provisions of that certain amended and restated engagement letter between Solomon and the Debtors, dated as of March 18, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "<u>Engagement Letter</u>"), (b) a waiver and modification of certain of the timekeeping requirements, and (c) granting related relief.

2. In support of this Application, the Debtors submit the Declaration of Mark Hootnick in Support of the Debtors Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of PJ Solomon, L.P. and PJ Solomon Securities, LLC as Investment Banker for the Debtors, Effective as of May 10, 2020 (the "Hootnick Declaration"), which is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**.

Jurisdiction and Venue

3. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "<u>Court</u>") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). The Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to rule 7008 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>"), to the entry of a final order by the Court.

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

5. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 327(a) and 328(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016, and rules 1075-1 and 9013-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the "<u>Local Rules</u>").

Background

6. The Debtors are apparel, accessories, cosmetics, footwear, and home goods retailers that operate department stores under the Bealls, Goody's, Palais Royal, Peebles, and Stage brands and off-price stores under the Gordmans brand. The Debtors employ approximately

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14,694 employees, who operate approximately 700 stores across forty-two states. The Debtors' department stores predominately serve small towns and rural communities, and the Debtors' off-price stores are mostly located in mid-sized Midwest markets. The Debtors' 2019 revenue was approximately \$1.6 billion.

7. On May 10, 2020, (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each of the Debtors 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. On May, 11, 2020, the Court entered an order [Docket No. 45] authorizing procedural consolidation and joint administration of these chapter 11 cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). On May 20, 2020, the United States Trustee for the Southern District of Texas (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors (the "<u>Creditors' Committee</u>") pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code [Docket No. 274].

Solomon's Qualifications

8. As set forth in the Hootnick Declaration, Solomon is a leading independent investment banking advisory firm that provides strategic and financial advisory services, including advisory services in connection with mid- to large-scale corporate restructuring transactions. A controlling interest in Solomon is owned by Natixis, a leading French financial services firm. Solomon currently employs approximately eighty investment banking professionals. Solomon's professionals have extensive experience in providing financial advisory and investment banking services to companies across a range of industries as well as to financially distressed companies and creditors, equity holders, and other constituencies in reorganization proceedings and complex financial restructurings, both in and out of court. The Debtors selected Solomon to serve as their investment banker in these chapter 11 cases based upon Solomon's extensive experience in matters

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involving complex financial restructurings and Solomon's excellent reputation for the services that it has rendered in chapter 11 cases on behalf of debtors and creditor constituencies.

9. Solomon and its professionals are providing, or have provided, investment banking, financial advisory, and other services in connection with the following recent cases: *In re Lucky's Market Parent Company, LLC*, Case No. 20-10166 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del Jan. 27, 2020); *In re Fairway Group Holdings Corp.*, Case No. 20-10161(JLG) (Bankr. S.D. NY Jan. 23, 2020); *In re iPic-Gold Class Entertainment,* LLC, No. 19-11739 (LSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 5, 2019); *In re Payless Holdings LLC*, No. 19-40883 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Mar. 19, 2019); *In re Marsh Supermarkets Holding, LLC*, No. 17-11066 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. June 5, 2017); *In re Quicksilver, Inc.*, No. 15-11880 (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 28, 2015); *In re HH Liquidation, LLC* (*f/k/a In re Haggen Holdings, LLC*), Case No. 15-11874 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 8, 2015); *In re The Dolan Company*, No. 14-10614 (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 15, 2014).

10. Solomon is also already familiar with the Debtors' financial and business operations. Solomon was initially hired by the Debtors in September 2019 to explore raising financing for the Debtors, and, in March 2020, Solomon was engaged by the Debtors to design and execute a process to explore and, if available, implement a plan to sell the Debtors' businesses as a going concern or for other strategic, value-maximizing transactions that would resolve the Debtors' operational and financial challenges.³

11. Solomon has taken the lead in negotiations with potential strategic and financial buyers of the Debtors' businesses and other assets. The Debtors believe that Solomon is both

³ The Engagement Letter amends and restates the prior agreement between Solomon and the Debtors dated as of September 13, 2019.

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uniquely qualified and able to advise the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases in an efficient, timely, and value-maximizing manner.

Scope of Solomon's Services⁴

12. Subject to the Court's approval, the Debtors anticipate that Solomon will perform the following investment banking and financial advisory services, among others, pursuant to the terms and the provisions of the Engagement Letter, as necessary or appropriate, and as mutually agreed upon by Solomon and the Debtors:⁵

- (a) <u>General Financial Advisory Services</u>. Solomon will:
 - (i) to the extent it deems necessary, appropriate, and feasible, familiarize itself with the business, operations, properties, financial condition, and prospects of the Debtors; and
 - (ii) if the Debtors determine to undertake a Transaction, advise and assist the Debtors in structuring and effecting the financial aspects of such a transaction or transactions, subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement.
- (b) <u>**Restructuring Services**</u>. If the Debtors pursue a Restructuring, Solomon will:
 - provide financial advice and assistance to the Debtors in developing and seeking approval of a Restructuring plan (as the same may be modified from time to time, a "<u>Plan</u>"), which may be a plan under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code;
 - (ii) if requested by the Debtors, in connection therewith, provide financial advice and assistance to the Debtors in structuring any new securities to be issued under the Plan;
 - (iii) if requested by the Debtors, advise and assist the Debtors in negotiations with entities or groups affected by the Plan; and
 - (iv) if requested by the Debtors, participate in hearings before the Bankruptcy Court with respect to the matters upon which Solomon

⁴ Capitalized terms used in this section but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Engagement Letter.

⁵ To the extent there is any inconsistency between this summary of the services set forth in the Engagement Letter and the terms of the Engagement Letter, the terms of the Engagement Letter shall control.

has provided advice, including, as relevant, coordinating with the Debtors' counsel with respect to testimony in connection therewith.

- (c) <u>Financing Services</u>. If the Debtors pursue a Financing, Solomon will:
 - (i) provide financial advice and assistance to the Debtors in structuring a Financing, identifying potential Investors, and, at the Debtors' request, contacting such Investors;
 - (ii) if Solomon and the Debtors deem it advisable, assist the Debtors in developing and preparing a memorandum (with any amendments or supplements thereto, the "Financing Offering Memorandum") to be used in soliciting potential Investors, it being agreed that (A) the Financing Offering Memorandum shall be based entirely upon information supplied by the Debtors, (B) the Debtors shall be solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the Financing Offering Memorandum, and (C) other than as contemplated by this subparagraph (c)(ii), the Financing Offering Memorandum shall not be used, reproduced, disseminated, quoted or referred to at any time in any way, except with Solomon's prior written consent; and
 - (iii) if requested by the Debtors, advise and assist the Debtors in negotiations with potential Investors.

13. The Debtors do not believe that the services to be rendered by Solomon will be duplicative of the services performed by any other professional retained by the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases. The Debtors will ensure that Solomon works with the Debtors' other professionals to minimize and avoid duplication of services.

<u>Professional Compensation</u>⁶

14. As set forth more fully in the Engagement Letter, Solomon and the Debtors have agreed to the following terms of compensation and expense reimbursement (the "Fee and Expense Structure"):⁷

⁶ Capitalized terms used in this section but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Engagement Letter.

⁷ To the extent there is any inconsistency between the summary of the Fee and Expense Structure set forth in this Application and the Fee and Expense Structure as set forth in the Engagement Letter, the terms of the Engagement Letter shall control.

- (a) <u>Monthly Advisory Fee</u>. A monthly financial advisory fee of \$150,000 per month (each, a "<u>Monthly Advisory Fee</u>"). The first Monthly Advisory Fee was due and payable on May 1, 2020, and each subsequent Monthly Advisory Fee will become due and payable on the monthly anniversary thereafter. The aggregate amount of Monthly Advisory Fees actually paid to Solomon following payment of the third Monthly Advisory Fee shall be credited, once, against any Restructuring Transaction Fee, Sale Transaction Fee, or Financing Transaction Fee payable to Solomon;
- (b) **<u>Restructuring Transaction Fee</u>**. Upon the consummation of a Restructuring, the Debtors shall pay Solomon a transaction fee (a "<u>Restructuring Transaction Fee</u>") equal to 1.0% of the sum of the (i) aggregate principal amount of the Debtors' funded indebtedness (including accrued and unpaid interest), (ii) liquidation preference of the Debtors' preferred stock (including any accrued and unpaid dividends), and (iii) face value of any other obligations, in the case of clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), restructured or recapitalized (including without limitation, through any exchange, conversion, cancellation, forgiveness, retirement, and/or a material modification or amendment to the terms, conditions, or covenants thereof).
- (c) <u>Financing Transaction Fee</u>. If any Financing is consummated or the Debtors receive and accept written commitments for one or more Financings and concurrently or thereafter consummate a Financing, the Debtors will pay to Solomon a financing fee (a "<u>Financing Transaction Fee</u>"):
 - i. 1.0% for senior secured debt (including, without limitation, DIP Financing and any revolving credit facility); *provided*, *however*, that the Financing Transaction Fee in respect of debtor-in-possession Financing provided by Wells Fargo and/or Pathlight shall be 0.50%;
 - ii. 2.0% for junior secured, "last-out," or "FILO" debt, or any unsecured debt, including subordinated or mezzanine debt, or unitranche debt (*i.e.*, combining different types of debt, such as senior and subordinated, into one instrument);
 - iii. 5.0% for common, preferred, or other equity, including, without limitation, securities or debt convertible into equity or equity-linked debt; and
 - iv. with respect to any other securities or indebtedness issued, such financing fees or other compensation as shall be customary under the circumstances and mutually agreed by the Debtors and Solomon.
- (d) Sale Transaction Fee. Upon the consummation of a Sale Transaction, the Debtors shall pay to Solomon a transaction fee (the "Sale Transaction Fee") equal to a percentage of Aggregate Consideration paid or payable in connection with a Sale in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit B to the Engagement Letter, subject in all cases to a minimum fee of \$2 million payable upon the closing of the Sale Transaction. In the event that any part of the consideration in connection with any Sale will be payable at any time following the consummation thereof, the term

Aggregate Consideration shall include the present value of such future payment or payments;

(e) **Expense Reimbursement**. Whether or not any Transaction is proposed or consummated, the Debtors shall reimburse Solomon on a monthly basis for its reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the provision of services under the Engagement Letter, including, among other things, the consummation of any Transaction contemplated or attempted thereby and the reasonable fees, disbursements, and other charges of Solomon's counsel; *provided*, *however*, that the amount of fees and expenses for which Solomon may seek reimbursement from the Debtors shall not exceed \$100,000 in the aggregate without the Debtors' consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

More than one fee may be payable to Solomon under subparagraphs 14(b)-(d) above in connection with any single transaction or a series of transactions, it being understood and agreed that (a) if more than one fee becomes so payable to Solomon in connection with a series of transactions (*e.g.*, a debtor-in-possession Financing, a Sale Transaction, and an "exit" Financing occur), each such fee shall be paid to Solomon and (b) if more than one fee becomes so payable to Solomon in connection with a single transaction where proceeds would otherwise be double-counted (*e.g.*, a Financing Transaction Fee is triggered in connection with raising "exit" Financing and the proceeds from such "exit" Financing are used to pay down existing obligations of the Debtors which would trigger a Restructuring Transaction Fee), the highest of such fees shall be paid to Solomon.

15. Solomon's decision to advise and assist the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases is subject to its ability to be retained in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Letter pursuant to section 328(a), and not section 330, of the Bankruptcy Code.

16. Investment bankers such as Solomon do not typically charge for their services on an hourly basis. Instead, they customarily charge a monthly advisory fee plus an additional fee that is contingent upon the occurrence of a specified type of transaction. The Engagement Letter

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follows this custom in the investment banking industry and sets forth the monthly and transaction-based fees that are to be payable to Solomon.

17. The Fee and Expense Structure is reasonable. The Fee and Expense Structure appropriately reflects the nature of the services to be provided by Solomon and the fee structures typically utilized by leading investment banking firms of similar stature to Solomon for comparable engagements, with respect to both in- and out-of-court restructurings. The Fee and Expense Structure is consistent with Solomon's normal and customary billing practices for cases of this size and complexity and that require the level and scope of services outlined herein.

18. Moreover, the Fee and Expense Structure is reasonable in light of (a) industry practice, (b) market rates charged for comparable services both in and outside the chapter 11 context, (c) Solomon's substantial experience with respect to investment banking and financial advisory services, and (d) the nature and scope of work to be performed by Solomon in these cases.

19. Notwithstanding approval of the Engagement Letter under section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Solomon will apply to the Court for allowance of compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with these chapter 11 cases, subject to the Court's approval and in accordance with the procedures set forth in the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Rules, as those procedures may be modified or supplemented by order of this Court, including any order granting this Application (to the extent compliance is not waived). The Debtors believe that the Court should approve Solomon's retention subject to the standard of review set forth in section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Solomon's compensation should not be subject to any additional standard of review under section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Record Keeping

20. It is not the general practice of financial advisory and investment banking firms, including Solomon, to keep detailed time records similar to those customarily kept by attorneys and required by the applicable compensation guidelines promulgated by the United States Trustee (the "<u>U.S. Trustee Guidelines</u>"). Solomon does not ordinarily maintain contemporaneous time records in tenth-hour increments or provide or conform to a schedule of hourly rates for its professionals.

21. Solomon requests that it be excused from compliance with such information requirements. Instead, Solomon should be required to maintain time records in half-hour increments, not decimal hours, setting forth, in a summary format, a description of the services rendered by each professional, and the amount of time spent by each such individual in rendering services on behalf of the Debtors.

22. Solomon will also maintain detailed records of any actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred in connection with the aforementioned services. Solomon's applications for compensation and expenses will be paid by the Debtors pursuant to the terms of the Engagement Letter and the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, Local Rules, and any other applicable procedures established by the Court.

23. Given the nature of the services to be provided by Solomon, such billing format and associated time details will be sufficient for the Debtors and other parties-in-interest to make informed judgments regarding the nature and appropriateness of Solomon's fees and expenses.

Indemnification of Solomon

24. The Engagement Letter provides that the Debtors owe certain indemnification, contribution, and reimbursement obligations to Solomon and its affiliates, and each of their

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respective officers, directors, managers, members, partners, employees and agents, and any other controlling persons (each an "<u>Indemnified Party</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Indemnified Parties</u>"). The provisions governing the parties' respective indemnification, contribution, and reimbursement obligations (collectively, the "<u>Indemnification Provisions</u>") are set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> to the Engagement Letter. The Debtors and Solomon believe that, subject to any modifications set forth in an order of the Court granting this Application, the Indemnification Provisions are reasonable and customary for investment banking engagements, both in and outside the context of chapter 11, and reflect the qualifications and limitations on indemnification provisions that are standard in this district.

25. The Debtors and Solomon negotiated the terms of the Engagement Letter and Indemnification Provisions at arms' length, and the Indemnification Provisions are reasonable and in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, and their creditors. Accordingly, as part of this Application, the Debtors request that this Court approve the Indemnification Provisions.

Solomon's Disinterestedness

26. Solomon has reviewed the list of parties in interest provided by the Debtors. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge, information, and belief, and except to the extent disclosed herein and in the Hootnick Declaration, Solomon: (a) does not hold any interest materially adverse to the Debtors' estates; (b) has no connection with the Debtors, their creditors, equity security holders, or related parties herein; and (c) is a "disinterested person" within the meaning of section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code (as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code). The Debtors' knowledge, information, and belief regarding the matters set forth herein are based, and made in reliance upon, the Hootnick Declaration.

27. Given the large number of parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases, despite the efforts to identify and disclose Solomon's relationships with parties in interest in these chapter 11

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cases, Solomon is unable to state with certainty that every client relationship or other connecton has been disclosed in the Hootnick Declaration. If any new material facts or relationships regarding the Debtors' relationships with Solomon or Natixis are discovered or arise, Solomon will supplement its disclosures to the Court.

28. No agreement or understanding exists between Solomon and any other person, other than as permitted by section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, to share compensation received for services rendered in connection with these chapter 11 cases, nor shall Solomon share or agree to share compensation received for services rendered in connection with these chapter 11 cases, other than as permitted by section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code.

29. In the 90-day period prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors paid to Solomon certain fees earned in the ordinary course under the Engagement Letter. Specifically, (a) on March 23, 2020, Solomon received \$250,000 on account of the Initial Fee due under the Engagement Letter, \$10,861.61 in connection with expense reimbursements, and a \$20,000 retainer for reimbursement of expenses, and (b) on May 8, 2020, Solomon received \$150,000 on account of the May Monthly Advisory Fee. Solomon will apply the \$20,000 in retainer amounts received from the Debtors before the Petition Date first to any prepetition expenses incurred but not reimbursed prepetition, and second to any postpetition expenses.

30. Based on the foregoing, the Debtors believe that Solomon is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code and utilized in section 328(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Basis for Relief

31. The Debtors seek entry of an order authorizing them to retain and employ Solomon pursuant to section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, that the Debtors, with the Court's approval, "may employ one or more

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attorneys . . . or other professional persons, that do not hold or represent an interest adverse to the estate, and that are disinterested persons, to represent or assist . . . in carrying out . . . duties under the [Bankruptcy Code]." 11 U.S.C. § 327(a). By this Application, the Debtors also seek approval of the Engagement Letter, including the Fee and Expense Structure and the Indemnification Provisions, pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, that the Debtors, with the Court's approval, "may employ or authorize the employment of a professional person under section 327 . . . on any reasonable terms and conditions of employment, including on a retainer, on an hourly basis, on a fixed or percentage fee basis, or on a contingent fee basis." 11 U.S.C. § 328(a).

32. Given the numerous issues that Solomon may be required to address in performing its services for the Debtors pursuant to the Engagement Letter, Solomon's commitment to the variable time requirements and effort necessary to address all such issues as they arise, and the market prices for Solomon's services for engagements of this nature, the Debtors submit that the terms and conditions of the Engagement Letter are fair, reasonable, and market-based under the standards set forth in section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors also believe that the Fee and Expense Structure appropriately reflects (a) the nature and scope of Solomon's services, (b) Solomon's substantial experience with respect to investment banking services, and (c) the fee structures typically utilized by Solomon and other investment banks, which do not bill their clients on an hourly basis, in bankruptcy or otherwise.

33. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Solomon agrees that the U.S. Trustee may review Solomon's compensation under section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

34. In light of the foregoing, the Debtors' retention of Solomon is in the best interest of the estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases. Solomon has

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extensive experience in matters involving complex financial restructurings and an excellent reputation for the services that it has rendered in chapter 11 cases on behalf of debtors and creditor constituencies. The Debtors, therefore, submit that they have satisfied the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules to support entry of an order authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ Solomon as their investment banker in these chapter 11 cases in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Engagement Letter.

Notice

35. The Debtors will provide notice of this Application to: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) counsel to the Creditors' Committee; (c) counsel to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Agent under the Debtors' prepetition credit agreement; (d) the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas; (e) the Internal Revenue Service; (f) the United States Securities and Exchange Commission; (g) the state attorneys general for states in which the Debtors conduct business; and (h) 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. WHEREFORE, the Debtors request that the Court enter an order, granting the relief requested in this Application and granting such other and further relief as is appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: May 28, 2020 Houston, Texas Respectfully submitted,

Stage Stores, Inc. (for itself and on behalf of its debtor affiliates as debtors and debtors in possession)

<u>/s/ Elaine D. Crowley</u> Elaine D. Crowley Chief Restructuring Officer

Certificate of Service

I certify that on May 28, 2020, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.

/s/ Matthew D. Cavenaugh Matthew D. Cavenaugh

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<u>Exhibit A</u>

Hootnick Declaration

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I, Mark Hootnick, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declare as follows:

1. My name is Mark Hootnick. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify.

2. I am a Managing Director with PJ Solomon, L.P. (together with PJ Solomon

Securities, LLC, "Solomon"), a leading financial advisory and investment banking firm.

3. I submit this Declaration (the "<u>Declaration</u>") in support of the application $(\text{the "Application"})^2$ of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for an order authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ Solomon as their investment banker, effective as of May 10, 2020, pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions of the Engagement Letter, attached to the Application as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

4. I have more than 20 years of experience advising corporations and other constituents on strategic and financial matters, with a particular focus on restructuring and

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distressed situations. Before joining Solomon, I was a Managing Director at, among other firms, Millstein & Co, Moelis, Greenhill, and Miller Buckfire. I received a B.S. in Finance from Lehigh University and a J.D. from New York University School of Law.

5. I am authorized to submit the Declaration on behalf of Solomon. Except as otherwise noted, I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein, and, if called as a witness, I would testify thereto. Certain of the disclosures herein, however, relate to matters within the personal knowledge of other professionals at Solomon and are based on information provided by such professionals.

Solomon's Qualifications

6. I believe that Solomon, and the professionals it employs, are uniquely qualified to advise the Debtors on the matters for which Solomon is proposed to be employed in a cost-effective, efficient, and timely manner.

7. Founded in 1989, Solomon is a leading independent investment banking advisory firm that provides strategic and financial advisory services, including advisory services in connection with mid- to large-scale corporate restructuring transactions. A controlling interest in Solomon is owned by Natixis, a leading French financial services firm (further described below). Solomon currently employs approximately eighty investment banking professionals. Solomon's professionals have extensive experience in providing financial advisory and investment banking services to companies across a range of industries as well as to financially distressed companies and creditors, equity holders, and other constituencies in reorganization proceedings and complex financial restructurings, both in and out of court.

8. Solomon's Consumer Retail Advisory Group provides investment banking advisory services to public and private clients across various retail sectors, including e-commerce, apparel, fashion and accessories, food and beverage, beauty and personal care, household products,

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consumer durables, home improvement, and health and wellness sectors. The members of Solomon's Consumer Retail Advisory Group have extensive experience in the consumer retail sector, including working (both at Solomon and at prior firms) with clients such as Geneseco, on its acquisition of Togast LLC; Tailored Brands, on the sale of their Joseph Abboud trademarks to WHP Global; PVH, on its joint venture with Basic Resources for all of its socks and hosiery brands in the United States and Canada and to terminate early the licenses for the Calvin Klein and Tommy Hilfiger socks and hosiery businesses; Hudson's Bay Company, on its sale of Lord + Taylor to Le Tote; VF Corp., in is sale of Reef brands to the Rockport Group; and Perry Ellis, in its sale to an entity owned by George Feldenkreis.

9. In addition, Solomon and its professionals have assisted and advised numerous financially troubled companies from a variety of industries in complex financial restructurings, both out of court and in chapter 11 cases. Solomon professionals have been retained in numerous large, complex chapter 11 cases, including, among others: *In re Lucky's Market Parent Company, LLC*, Case No. 20-10166 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del Jan. 27, 2020); *In re Fairway Group Holdings Corp.*, Case No. 20-10161(JLG) (Bankr. S.D. NY Jan. 23, 2020); *In re iPic-Gold Class Entertainment*, LLC, No. 19-11739 (LSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 5, 2019); *In re Payless Holdings LLC*, No. 19-40883 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Mar. 19, 2019); *In re Marsh Supermarkets Holding, LLC*, No. 17-11066 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. June 5, 2017); *In re Quicksilver, Inc.*, No. 15-11880 (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 28, 2015); *In re HH Liquidation, LLC (f/k/a In re Haggen Holdings, LLC)*, Case No. 15-11874 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 8, 2015); *In re The Dolan Company*, No. 14-10614 (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 15, 2014).

10. Solomon is also familiar with the Debtors' financial and business operations. Solomon has been employed by the Debtors since September 2019 and has advised the Debtors in

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connection with and was active in the Debtors' preparation for these chapter 11 cases, including, but not limited to, exploring options for selling the Debtors' businesses as a going concern or for other strategic, value-maximizing transactions that would resolve the Debtors' operational and financial challenges.³ Solomon has worked with the Debtors and their other advisors to design the above mentioned process, and has taken the lead in negotiations with potential strategic and financial buyers of the Debtors' businesses and other assets.

Solomon's Disinterestedness

11. In connection with its retention by the Debtors, Solomon undertook to determine whether Solomon, its principals and professionals (a) have any connection with the Debtors, their affiliates, their creditors, or any other parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases or (b) have an interest adverse to the interests of the Debtors' estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders.

12. To check potential connections with the Debtors and other parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases, Solomon has searched a database containing the names of all clients that have paid Solomon to determine whether it had any relationships with the entities identified by the Debtors and their representatives as potential parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Potential Parties in Interest</u>"), which parties are listed on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto. To the extent that this inquiry has revealed that any Potential Parties in Interest are currently or were former investment banking clients of Solomon within the past three years, those parties have been identified on a list (the "<u>Client Match List</u>"), annexed hereto as <u>Schedule 2</u>. Through the information generated from the aforementioned inquiry and through follow-up inquiries to

³ The Engagement Letter amends and restates the prior agreement between Solomon and the Debtors dated as of September 13, 2019.

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Solomon professionals responsible for certain clients listed on the Client Match List, Solomon has determined that its representation of the clients on the Client Match List, if any, concerned matters unrelated to the Debtors.

13. As part of its diverse operations, Solomon is involved in numerous cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different attorneys, accountants, investment bankers, and financial consultants, some of whom may represent claimants and parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases. Further, Solomon has in the past, and may in the future, advised and/or been represented by several attorneys, law firms, and other professionals, some of whom may be involved in these chapter 11 cases. Finally, Solomon has in the past, and will likely in the future, be working with or against other professionals involved in these chapter 11 cases. Based upon our current knowledge of the professionals involved in these chapter 11 cases, and, to the best of my knowledge, none of these business relationships constitute interests adverse to the interests of the Debtors' estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders in matters upon which Solomon is to be employed, and none are in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

14. In June 2016, Natixis acquired a 51% stake in Solomon. Natixis is the international corporate and investment banking, asset management, insurance, and financial services arm of Groupe BPCE, the 2nd-largest banking group in France. Natixis has a number of areas of expertise that are organized into four main business lines: Asset and Wealth Management, Corporate and Investment Banking, Insurance, and Specialized Financial Services, and it is possible that Natixis has connections with Potential Parties in Interest. However, other than through its connection to Solomon, to the best of my knowledge, Natixis is not involved in advising any of the Debtors and does not own any of the securities of the Debtors. Accordingly, this disclosure is limited to

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Solomon, and does not include any connections that any affiliates of Solomon may or may not have with Potential Parties in Interest.

15. In addition, as of the date hereof, Solomon employs approximately eighty investment banking professionals. It is possible that certain of Solomon's directors, officers, and employees may have had in the past, may currently have, or may in the future have connections to (a) the Debtors, (b) the Potential Parties in Interest, and/or (c) funds or other investment vehicles that may own debt or securities of the Debtors or other Potential Parties in Interest. I understand that an email was sent to employees of Solomon expected to work on this engagement inquiring whether such employee, or any member of such recipient's immediately family (spouse, minor children, or family members living in your household), (v) owns any equity security of any of the Debtors; (w) owns any debt security of any of the Debtors; (x) holds a general unsecured claim against any of the Debtors; (y) holds any other claim against any of the Debtors; or (z) owns more than one percent, manage or otherwise control, or have any influence over any of the Potential Parties in Interest. Further, the email inquired whether any recipient of the email or any member of such recipient's immediate family (a) has, within the last two years, been an officer, director, or employee of any of the Debtors, or (b) is related to (i) any bankruptcy judge for the Southern District of Texas and/or (ii) any employee of the U.S. Trustee's office. I understand that no affirmative response was received in response to these email inquiries.

16. In addition to the parties listed on <u>Schedule 2</u>, Solomon may also represent, or may have represented, affiliates, equity holders, and/or sponsors of the Potential Parties in Interest. Certain of the Potential Parties in Interest may also be vendors or insurers of Solomon, and/or have other non-investment banking relationships with Solomon. Solomon may also represent, or may have represented in the past, committees or groups of lenders or creditors in connection with

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certain restructuring or refinancing engagements, which committees or groups include, or included, entities that appear on the Potential Parties in Interest list. Solomon believes that none of these business relationships constitute interests adverse to the interests of the Debtors' estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders in matters upon which Solomon is to be employed, and none are in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

17. The Debtors have numerous creditors and relationships with a large number of individuals and entities that may be parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases. Consequently, although every reasonable effort has been made to discover Solomon's connections with the Potential Parties in Interest, Solomon is unable to state with certainty whether any of its clients or an affiliated entity of a client holds a claim or otherwise is a party in interest in these chapter 11 cases. If Solomon discovers any information that is contrary or pertinent to the statements made herein, Solomon will promptly disclose such information to the Court. Additionally, Solomon has indirect affiliate relationships with numerous investment banking institutions located worldwide. Although employees of certain affiliates may sometimes assist Solomon in connection with a restructuring engagement, as Solomon is the only entity being retained in these cases, we have researched only the electronic client files and records of Solomon, not of all of its affiliates, to determine connections with any Potential Parties in Interest.

18. Solomon does not advise, has not advised, and will not advise any entity other than the Debtors in matters related to these chapter 11 cases. Solomon will, however, continue to provide professional services to entities or persons that may be creditors of the Debtors or parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases, provided that such services do not relate to, or have any direct connection with, these chapter 11 cases or the Debtors.

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19. Except as otherwise set forth herein, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, neither Solomon nor any employee of Solomon (a) is a creditor, equity security holder or an insider of the Debtors or (b) is or was, within two years before the Petition Date, a director, officer, or employee of any of the Debtors. In addition, none of Solomon's professionals expected to assist the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases are related or connected to any United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Texas, U.S. Trustee, or any person employed in the U.S. Trustee's office.

Professional Compensation

20. According to Solomon's books and records, in the ninety-day period prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors paid to Solomon certain fees earned in the ordinary course under the Engagement Letter. Specifically, (a) on March 23, 2020, Solomon received \$250,000 on account of the Initial Fee due under the Engagement Letter, \$10,861.61 in connection with expense reimbursements, and a \$20,000 retainer for reimbursement of expenses, and (b) on May 8, 2020, Solomon received \$150,000 on account of the May Monthly Advisory Fee. Solomon will apply the \$20,000 in retainer amounts received from the Debtors before the Petition Date first to any prepetition expenses incurred but not reimbursed prepetition, and second to any postpetition expenses.

21. The Fee and Expense Structure set forth in the Application is consistent with Solomon's typical fee for work of this nature. The fees are set at a level designed to compensate Solomon fairly for the work of its professionals and assistants and to cover fixed and routine overhead expenses. It is Solomon's policy to charge its clients for all disbursements and expenses incurred in the rendition of services.

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22. The Fee and Expense Structure is comparable to those generally charged by investment banking firms of similar stature to Solomon and for comparable engagements, both in and out of court, and reflect a balance between a fixed, monthly fee, and a contingency amount which are tied to the consummation and closing of a transaction as contemplated in the Engagement Letter.

23. The Engagement Letter was negotiated at arms' length and in good faith, and I believe that the provisions contained therein are reasonable terms and conditions of Solomon's employment by the Debtors. With respect to the Engagement Letter's Indemnification Provisions, unlike the market for other professionals that a debtor or committee may retain, indemnification is a standard term of the market for financial advisors and investment bankers. The indemnity, moreover, is comparable to those generally obtained by investment banking firms of similar stature to Solomon and for comparable engagements, both in and out of court.

24. It is not the general practice of investment banking firms to keep detailed time records similar to those customarily kept by attorneys. Solomon's restructuring professionals, when formally retained in chapter 11 cases, and when required by local rules, do, and in these cases will, keep time records in half-hour increments describing their daily activities and the identity of persons who performed such tasks. Solomon will also supplement this information with a list of the non-restructuring professionals who assist the restructuring department on this matter but who do not, as a matter of general practice, keep records in the same manner.

25. Other than as set forth above and in the Engagement Letter, there is no proposed arrangement between the Debtors and Solomon for compensation to be paid in these cases. Solomon has no agreement with any other entity to share any compensation received, nor will any be made, except as permitted under section 504(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code.

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26. The foregoing constitutes the statement of Solomon pursuant to section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 5002.

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

Dated: May 28, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mark Hootnick
Mark Hootnick

Managing Director PJ Solomon, L.P.

Schedule 1

Potential Parties in Interest

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Debtors and non - debtor affiliates Stage Stores, Inc. Specialty Retailers Inc.

Contract Counterparties 360i 7Miles 9th Wonder A+ Conferencing Aaron's Abacus AbsenceSoft Accertify Access Development Access POS Accruent fka Lucernex ACI Worldwide Ad Art Ad Art Signs adidas Adobe AEM Adobe Analytics Adobe Media Optimizer Adobe Sign Adobe Target Adopt-A-Classroom ADP - tax svcs/pay statements ADP Amendment **Advance Services** Agilence AIA Akamai Akismet Allen Signs Alliant Insurance Altus Group Amazon American Express (corp cards/travel) American Express (store credit cards) American Registry for Internet Numbers Antuit Aon Consulting Aon Hewit CG Pro

Aon Property Risk Consulting Apex Signs Arandell Arch Insurance Armstrong Associate Benefit Plan Associated Footwear AT&S American Trailer AT&T Corp. AT&T Global (Jeffersonville, OH) **Avatier Corporation Avery Dennison B3** Logistics Bank of America ATM Bank of the West **BCBS 2018 BCRF Breast Cancer Research Beecher Carlson Bell Consulting** Benefitfocus.com **Best Vendors Beth Barton BHDP** Architecture Blackhawk (advertising) Blackhawk Engagement (Parago) Blackhawk Network (Alliance) **Bloomberg BNA** BlueCross BlueShield of Texas Bonfire Boss Group Bottomline fka Optio Braiform Bridgeline fka Stantive Broadleaf Burnett Cadient LLC fka Kronos Talent Mgmt Capco Wai Shing Cardinal Career Search CareerBuilder CareWorks OH WC CareWorks WY WC Careworks/Frank Gates ON HOLD

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Carlton Staffing CashStar Catapult Health Celadon **CES** Limited Channeladvisor Cintas Cision Clorox **Coast Signs** Coca-Cola Cogency Global Comcast Comenity Bank fka World Financial Network Bank Comenity Test Environment CommerceHub (Commerce Technologies) **Computer Associates** Computershare **Computershare Renewal** Connection Connection SOW **Connective Talent** Connexions **Constellation Gas** Cornerstone OnDemand Cornerstone Staffing Corporate Travel Management Coty **Covington Electric Cox Communications** Creditntell Crimson Progress Group CrowdStrike **Crown Services CT** Consulting CyberArk Daniel J. Edelman **Data Shredding Services** Data Stride Datamax **Deloitte & Touche** Deloitte engagement ltr Delta Dental

Denovo **Design Transportation** Destiny (IBM) DF King DFS Services (Discover) Dick Lavy Diligent DSI fire protection **Duo Security Dynamic Delivery** Echo Global **ECTaxSolutions** Ed Mehlman & Associates **EiS Technologies MSA EiS Technologies SLA Elaine's Florist** eMaint eMarketer eMedia Networks **Employers Edge** Empyrean **ENGIE Resources** Enterprise **Enterprise Amendment** Enterprise Holdings (corporate car rental) **ERI Economic Research** ESET ESIS **ESIS Renewal** Estēe Lauder Ethix360 Exchange Bank **Experis Finance** Experis US **Express Staffing** FedEx FIA Card Services/Bank of America Fidelity (401k/profit sharing) Fidelity (nongualified deferred comp plan) Fidelity Consulting EXECUTED Filemaker First Advantage Amendment First Advantage Tax Consulting Services

Firstar Fiber Five9 Five9 LOA **Five9 Service Order** Flux Consulting (K4) **FMLASource ForeSee Results** Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Forward Air Frank N. Magid Associates FRS Function4 **Gallagher Bassett Services** Galleria 2425 Garda Gartner Gartner renewal EXECUTED **GIX Logistics Glasgow Electric Plant Board** Glassdoor **Globoforce** Limited **GOH** International Google Gordon Bros. Granite Telecommunications Grant Thornton Grant Thornton Omaha Incentives Grant Thornton SOW Enterprise Zone Grant Thornton SOW Tax Refund Grant Thornton SOW UNICAP EXECUTED Greater Houston Community Foundation (GHCF) Green View Lawn Care Greenback Cost Recovery GS1 GTT fka MegaPath Guardian Life Insurance Guardian RPM GXS fka Inovis **H&M** Trucking Harland Clarke HeadCount Corporation **Henry Doneger** Hertz Corporation

Hilco **Holston Electric Cooperative** Hotel Derek Houston Astros Houston Dynamo **Houston NFL Holdings HOV Services** Hub Group **Hudson River** ICM Internet Content Management ICR LLC Identiti Signs iHostPoker ImageSet InComm MSA Infor Ingenico Inovis/MCI dba Verizon **Interactive Communications** InterCall Int'l Paper Recycling Iron Mountain **ISS Corporate Solutions ITS Partners** Jacksonville Development Corporation Jay-Aimee Designs JB Hunt JB Hunt Interchange Agreement JB Hunt Rate Proposal JDM Sorting JGA Jim's Formal Wear John Maxwell Kelly Svcs **Kingdom Trucking** Konica Minolta Premier Finance Korn Ferry Kronos (timekeeper) Kuecker Lala Trailer Agreement Landstar Laser Imaging Ledgent Finance & Accounting

LegalShield Leidos Engineering Lennox LIFT361 Lightspar LinkedIn LiveRamp Loftware Loftware renewal Logistyx fka Agile of PA Logix fka Evolve Data Center LP Media 2020 Proposal LP Software LPM Media LSC Communications LSI Services Lucas Group Lukas Lukas SOW #19 **MA Folkes** Macerich Macy's Magellan Mainetti Mainstreet Integration Malin Rental Manhattan Associates Manpower Manutek Marc-Allen Mark Andy Marketing Influencers MarketPay MarketSphere Consulting Marsh MC Group Signs McAfee Security McMinnville Electric System MD Anderson MedAllocators Mediation Pros (SET) Megaport Mérieux

MessageOne Methodist **Meyer Corporation** Microsoft (Office 365) MicroStrategy Midnite Express MidSouth **Mike Treadway Architects MMC** Contractors Mobile Mini **Mobility Services International** Modis Money Network Monotype Moovweb Moran Munchies Morgan Stanley **MotivAction** Movable Movable Renewal Muzak dba Mood Media N&W Transfer Naini Nationwide Pet Insurance NCR Corporation **NCYCLES** NDA Nebraska DHHS NEL NEJ WO#2020-004 EXECUTED Neopost NetJets Netsync **Newport Utilities** NICE inContact NJ Malin NMR IT Novar NPD Group NPI **Oasis Staffing** Observepoint Office Depot

Ohio Bureau of WC **Omaha Fixture OPNET Technologies** Oracle ORCL Toolbox PacifiCorp dba Pacific Power Palmer Recovery Pandora Parker Lynch Paymentech (JPMorgan Chase Bank) PayScale EXECUTED Pension Benefit Information Penske Penske Rental Performance Team Phonoscope Global PowerReviews **PowerReviews Renewal Order** Primary **ProDrivers** Proofpoint Protiviti QuoteMedia QVS Communications - Jacksonville, TX QVS Communications - Jeffersonville, OH **R3** Continuum Rackspace Rakuten **Randall James** Ranorex Rapid7 **RCI** renewal RDG **Reaction Retail Record Space/Security Shredding Recycling Consultants** Reflexis **Regions Bank Reliant Energy Remedy Staffing Renfrow & Company Reny Company Republic Services**

Retail Funding Retek Information Systems nka Oracle America Retransform RGIS Rimini Riskonnect **Robert Half** Royal Imaging (Docuware) Salary.com Salesforce.com SAS Institute Savage & Browning SCC Security Scotlynn Trucking Scout Moderation SDL SDI (Maintenance) Search Discovery Sedgwick Sellers Publishing Sendero Business Services Sequachee Valley Electric ServiceChannel ServiceNow Share Our Strength Shreveport, LA Shutterstock Sidley Austin Sigma Technology SMG Snowflake Softvision Master SaaS Softvision MSA Solium Transcentive Sophelle SOTI Southwest **Special Counsel** Specialty Retailers, Inc. Speech Interface Design Spin Master Spot Trender Spredfast

SPS Commerce St. Jude St. Regis Staffmark Staffing Standard & Poor Stanley Convergent Security Stoner Bunting Store Planning Inc. Stored Value Solutions (SVS) Summit Financial Group fka PremierSource Sungard SunTrust Superior Signs SweetIQ Swift Sword Construction Synapse Retail Systems Application Engineering SAE TALX (Equifax) **Tax Compliance Taylor County Rural Electric Coop** Technocycle Telecheck **Terpac Plastics** The Body Shop The Partners Group The Retail Equation **Thomson Reuters Thread Collective** ThredUp ThyssenKrupp Thyssenkrupp (Muhlhauser) Time2Market **Trans-Motion Transport Solutions** Transportation Mgmt Solutions (Ultraship) Transportation Solutions (Redwood) Trillium **Truck Svcs TrueBlue Enterprises** TrueBridge Resources TTR **TydenBrooks**

U.S. Verify UHY **Ultra Logistics** UniFirst Uniplast Unwired Revolution (RemoteLink) Vanguard Advisers Vending Group Vendor Contracts Verifone VeriTrust Verizon Rapid Response Retainer Verizon Wireless (corporate/EE discount) Vertex Vertiv Corporation VF Outdoor Vibes Media Visconti Vitals (MDX/Health Care) Vocollect Volunteer Energy Cooperative Vormetric VOYA WageWorks, Inc. Waste Management Weather Trends Welliver & Associates Wells Fargo (Revolving Credit) Werner West Publishing dba Serengeti WGSN Willis Towers Watson Wolters Kluwer Workiva Inc. Wpromote Xcelerate Media XPO Yelp Yesmail

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Banking Institutions

Verabank **Bancorp South** First National Bank of Gilmer **Prosperity Bank First Federal Community Bank Citizens Bank Regions Bank** Chase **BBVA** Compass First State Bank & Trust Co **First Financial Bank** Extraco Bank **IBC Bank** Bancfirst Bank of America First State Bank Happy State Bank First Bank Southwest RCB Bank Frazer Bank **US Bank** American National Bank of Texas Pioneer Bank Arvest Bank New Mexico Bank & Trust Classic Bank Hancock Whitney

City Bank & Trust Co Century Next Bank Bank OZK Bank of Commerce & Trust Co Jonesboro State Bank Merchants & Farmers Bank The Cottonport Bank First Oak Bank Equity Bank Citizens Bank & Trust Sabine State Bank Four Corners Community Bank Alamosa State Bank Arvest Malvern National Bank The First National Bank Herring Bank The Lamesa National Bank West Texas National Bank National Bank of Andrews Pecos County State Bank Security Bank Solutions **Banc Central** Bank of Cushing Capital City Bank Mineola Community Bank First Texoma National Bank Yoakum National Bank Bank of Oklahoma Columbus State Bank **Community National Bank** YNB The First The First National Bank in Trinidad WoodForest National Bank Union Bank National Bank of Arizona First Community Bank BB&T **United Community Bank** SunTrust Bank Fort Davis State Bank Simmons Bank

PNC Bank **OceanFirst Bank** M&T Bank Southern Bank **Five Star Bank CB&S Bank** Franklin Bank **Peoples Bank** Mountain Valley Bank **Community Trust Bank** Essex Bank **Community Bank** First Southern National Bank Steuben Trust Company **Grundy National Bank** Cadence Bank First Commonwealth Bank **CBT Bank** TrustCo Bank Old National Bank **NBT Bank First National Bank** SNA Bank First Volunteer Bank People's United Bank First Choice Bank Wilson & Muir Bank First Citizens Community Bank Bank ESB Lafayette State Bank **FNCB Bank** Kentucky Bank Northway Bank United Cumberland Bank First Citizens bank Synovus Bank of Eastman Bank of Hazlehurst State Bank & Trust Company One South Bank Queensborough National Bank & Trust Colony Bank Louisa Community Bank

Tower Community bank People's Community Bank Forcht Bank **Tennessee State Bank** Southeastern Bank Limestone Bank Bank of the West Landmark National Bank Commerce Bank Centera Bank Bank Midwest Exchange Bank of Missouri Kennett National Bank **Regional Missouri Bank Connection Bank** Peoples State Bank **BMO Harris Bank Crossroads Bank** The Huntington National Bank The Peoples Bank Choice One Bank Chemical Bank Mercantile Bank of Michigan Southern Michigan Bank & Trust First Bank **City National Bank**

Lenders

Wells Fargo Pathlight Capital

US Trustee for the Southern District of Texas

Barbara Griffin Christine March Christy Simmons Clarissa Waxton Diane Livingstone Glenn Otto Gwen Smith Hector Duran Henry G. Hobbs, Jr. Jacqueline Boykin Linda Motton Luci Johnson-Davis Patricia Schmidt Stephen Statham

Insurance

Illinois National Insurance Company (AIG) **ACE American Insurance Company** XL Specialty Insurance Company Underwriters at Lloyd's (ANV) **Axis Insurance Company** Beazley Insurance Company Freedom Specialty Insurance Co. **Canopius Insurance Services** Wesco Insurance Company The North River Insurance Co. Allied World Insurance Company Old Republic Insurance Company Illinois National Insurance Co. Beazley Insurance Company, Inc. Aria (SAC) Limited Axis Specialty Limited Beazley thru Lloyd's U.S. Specialty Insurance Company Arch Insurance Company Arch Indemnity Insurance Company North American Specialty Travelers Property Casualty Company Of America American Guarantee And Liability Insurance Company Ace Property And Casualty Insurance Company The Insurance Company Of The State Of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvan American Bankers Insurance Co. of Florida Hartford Insurance Co. of the Midwest Wright National Flood Ins. Co Zurich American Insurance Company Lloyd's of London, Starr, Aspen, RSUI and Various Markets

Landlord/Lessors

Henderson Plaza Realty, L.P. Robert N. Graham, LLC Jefferson Mount Pleasant, Ltd Alpha Lake, Lt PFE Leasing LLP Action 49 Junction I, LLC -

Kilgore VF, LLC Portland Retail Group L.P. Lukin Investment Partners, LLC McCreless Market, LLC. -Crossroads Greenville Properties, Ltd. (Crossroads Mall) Arrowhead Mall, LLC Marshall Mall Investors Mall Del Norte Merge Holdings, LLC Alpha Lake, Ltd. Port Lavaca Retail Group LLC Vidor Crossroads LLC Action Carthage, LLC MSCI 2005-IQ9; Central Mall-Texarkan Conroe Crossroads Center, LP Westview Center, LP Bosque River Center Realty Sunset Mall SPE, L.P. BWSC, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership **Tejas Center Corporation** Longview BJ Partners LLC Las Pampas Square Five Hills, Ltd. -CBL SM-Brownsville, LLC - c/o CBL & Associates Mgt. Inc. Sea/Aire Center/Gordan McNutt G3C Weslaco Westgate, LLC Brazos Shopping Center CBL & Assoc. Mgt, Inc., as agent for CBL/Richland Mall L.P. Pena Riverview Investments; LL Spring Town Plaza, Inc. SB Retail Group Carlsbad LLC -Rock Hard Real Estate, LLC Prime Realty Estate US Properties, Inc. Victoria Mall WRI-AEW Lone Star Retail Solid Cap Properties, LLC Victoria Retail Group LLC Ponca Partners LLC Portairs Partners, FOB Park Dell SC #53 West Wheatland LLC -POM-College Station, LLC KPS King Properties of Seguin, L.P. ZBY3/Browning Brothers AC Brazos Mall Partners, LLC Mall at Midland Park, LLC Orangehurst Venture, LP G.G.I.A. II Limited **DBRA Athens Property Investments LP** Gene Murphy Pine Plaza, LLC Lynn Park Shopping Cente Plaza-AL, LLC Humboldt Rio West, LLC MSCI 2005-IQ9: Central Mall- Port Arthur Commerce Station LP Ardmore Dunhill LLC Westgate Mall Enterprise Eagle Pass Associates, LP Rancho Harlingen Corners, LLC. C. P. Mall, Ltd Mimco, Inc. The Market Place at Waxahachie Northline Commons, LLC Northshore Plaza, LP Jasper Crossroads Partnership LP -Lombard Group Texas, LLC Ashley/Karns/Baker Properties Ltd. -Betty Woodward Limited Family Partnership, a limited partners PTC TX HOLDINGS, LLC Midland Kaufman, LP; Midland Sylvan, LP; Midland 256 RaReparentlyPartners, Ltd. Weingarten Realty Investors, Inc. FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BASTROP TFG San Marcos SC, L.P. Kahlig Enterprises, Inc. CBL/Parkdale Mall, L.P. c/o CBL & Assoc -A-S 93 SH 130 - SH 45, LP c/o New Quest Properties -DWH Development Co. North Plains Mall, LLC Gainesville Realty, Ltd. Beer Wells Real Estate Services-East Texas, Inc. **B & B South Park Mall LLC** Weatherford Plaza LLC c/o Todd Routh -PALMS CROSSING TOWN CENTE **HEB Grocery Company, LP**

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Brixmor GA Apollo I TX Holdings, LLC Brixmor GA Moundsville, LLC c/o Brixmor SSS Fondren Marketplace, LLC **Klement Texa** Magee Shopping Center, LLC Gun Barrel Jackson LLC, c/o Ben Fitzgerald Real Estate -Franklin Fickett Charitable Foundation Zaradieter Partners, L.P. IH 35 Loop 340 Tenancy In Common Frank C. Robson River South Comons, LLC The Sandra Corporation Weingarten Realty Investors Happy Camper LLC McCarley Family LP The SJ Trust Camden Center #23 Multistate Holdings/Mellor Park Mall University Plaza Shopping Center Partnership Harvey Square L.P. **Gregory Place Shopping Center LLC** Rodgers Family Ltd Ptn Miramar Beltline GP, LLC Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Mountain Home Brixmor Holdings 12 SPE, LLC Tabani Natchez Mall Rockstep McComb LLC Brookhaven I LLC Brumfield Properties, Inc. Four Owls Hill Country Square LLC Ennis Crossroads Plaza, LLC Marrero Land and Improvement Assoc. J.B. Levert Land Company, L.L.C. Kenwood Shopping TCP Ryan Street, LLC Monroe Retail Group LLC Lynda Corp Rockstep Lagniappe Village LLC Hasco Thibodaux, LLC Rockstep Opelousas, LLC Cedar Ridge, LLC **RB River IV LLC and RB River VI LLC** EREP Northlake I, LLC

Josef & Mikel LLC Nueces-Holliday Maverick Partners II, Ltd. Minden Retail, LLC RGC Starr Retail Ltd Ruston Center, LLC Gonzales Marketplace, LLC Charles H. Allen Estate NorthStar Properties, Inc. Lake Charles Gardens, LLC Vernon Hillcrest, LLC, c/o Dunhill Partners, Inc. Pioneer Square Lamesa, LP TCP LA Partners, LP Regency DeRidder LLC Hunter Sky Capital, LLC Summer Grove LLC Brownfield Plaza, LP AAM - 2001 Airline Drive, LLC John C. Culpepper Burro Village, LLC 1212 Partners, LLC Desoto Plaza Associates, LLC Shops at Abilene, LP Sibley Investments LLC Perth Company Sunshine Heights, LLC Ramsey & Ramsey David Sam Kaufman West Country Center, LLC Delta Properties, LLP - Venture West Real Estate Services/ULL Reverse, Inc. **RIVERMART, LLC** Tomorrow IX Broadmoor LP **Regency Cut Off LLC** WG REG Fort Stockton, LLC Hardware Management Company LLC **Coggins Family Partnership LLC** King Country Village, LLC TMM Investments. Ltd. Chalmette Retail Center, LLC Chimney Creek, Ltd Kimble Development of New Roads, LLC Western Square Investments, Inc. Jula Trust, LLC., a Louisiana limited Liability company Hereford Properties, LLC Springhill Shopping Center, LLC **BRE RC Southpark II TX LP** Tres Palmas. Inc. Pay and Save, Inc. -Meadowbrook Square, LLC Amarillo Dunhill, LLC Rim Country Mall SPE, LLC Bay-Cal NetCo Investments, Inc. Gils Shopping Center Investments, LLC Mark Horn Douglas Center Trust Account SMT Littlefield Partners, Ltd. M & C Rental & Leasing Co. **MBSB** Guylane LLC Nogales Plaza Shopping Center L.P. Southgate Investors, LLC Apache Development Corp. Walmart Realty Co. Plaquemine Marketplace, LP San Juan Association Finkelstein-Levy, Inc. Blue Quail L.L.C. Kimble Development of Ville Platte, LLC -Silver City Investors TGK PROPERTIES Skyline Properties, LLC Spiegel & Spiegel, PA, Money Purchase Pension Plan JMD-Del Rio, LLC Cortez Plaza, LLC Jack and Florence Berlin Foundation 177 CD LLC Fortier Properties SIGNATURE PLAZA OF SILOAM SPRINGS, LLC LV Legion, LLC Prime Malvern Plaza LLC Bond-Gunderson Co. Felts Plaza Inc. **B-Y Strawberry Squar** Sandra Corporation Spring Park Property Owner, LLC B-Y Edinburg Center Ltd. **Robson Properties**

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Sugarland Shopping Center, LLC Western Alliance Bank Page Station LLC IDEA Inc. National Retail Properties, LP Livingston Shopping Center Ltd. **Burley Crossing LLC** Heber Springs Shopping Center LLC **Riverside Plaza Shopping Center, LLC** Fox Run Business Park, LLC BRE RC 1890 Ranch TX LP Dew Claw, LLC Kimble Development of Amite, LLC Diamond Mountain Shopping Center, LLC Eagle Mountain Center, LLC c/o Colliers Int. Washington Park Mall WHLR-Fort Howard Square, LLC Banks Crossing Partners LLC Teton Venture, LLC CDC Marianna II, LLC Action 49 Junction I, LLC Laura A. Rohana Valley View Lafayette, LLC Senatobia Plaza, LLC Eagle-North Hills Shopping Centre, L.P. **Guardian Investors - Broken Arrow** HEB Grocery Company, LP t0002055 Old Fallon, LLC 13 Associates, LLC Mary Lake Realty Company Pine Bluff Plaza, LLC TOWN SQUARE LP Argo Klamath Two, LLC Huntsville Portfolio Associates, LLC Humboldt Commons, LLC Brixmor GA Merchants Central LP -**KNA Family LLC** Blackstone Partners, LLC BVC Oakwood Commons, LLC Evansham Square Shopping Center Protector Property Management, LLC The Rosemyr Corporation

Four Corner Plaza, LLC **RMLP** Associates Limited Partnership Roxborough Associates, LLC Daniel G. Kamin Plymouth Landing, LLC -**BVA Willow, LLC** River Ridge-College Square, LLC Kent Plaza Associates Rocky Mount Development Co., LLC -James W. Sizemore & Family, L.P. Fox Run Limited Partnership Four Taylor's, LLC Rio Grande Associates LP Seaford Village, LLC East Luray, LLC -Southern Shopping Center **Tower Park Management Corporation Royal Square LLC** Milford Plaza Enterprises Cavalier Square Limited Partnership -Elkton Associates Tred Avon, LLC Shore Plaza Shopping Center, LLC -Willow Oaks Associates Colonial Square Associates, LLC **Royal Plaza Associates** Jefferson Assoc, LP/Warrenton Ctr LLC SUSO 4 Smithfield LP FNRP Ashland, LLC 350 Scarlett GPG, LP Copeland - Scarboro, LLC West Sylva Main, LLC McDowell Square Associates, LLC Gator Coastal Shopping Centre, LLC Geneva Shopping Center, LLC Cedar-Carll's Corner, LLC c/o Cedar Shopping Centers Partan Place, LLC -BC Wood Investment Fund II, LLC Village Green Shopping Square -WHLR-Alex City Marketplace LLC HJH Talladega 1, LLC -PDQ Isreal Family Countryside, L.P. Levin Properties -One Ten Corp. **Property Development Account**

DeKalb Plaza, Ltd. Pennsville Acquisitions, LLC Johnstown Comrie Associates, LLC Byzantine, Inc. Greenbrier Valley Mall, LC **Regency Summersville, LLC** Regency Elkins, LLC GEJ, Inc. **BLR Limited Partnership** Shenandoah Investors, LLC Barren River Plaza Projects LLC The Hazard Development Partnership Brixmor GA Moundsville, LLC David Hocker & Associates **Barnwell Station LLC** Grand Central Holding, LLC CIII BSCMS06-PWR12 Tappahannock TC S & E Enterprise, LLC Graham Limited Partnership Commons Associates, L.P. St. Albans Center II, LLC -ERSHCO LLC -Live Oak Village Shopping Center, LLC Southgate Plaza Associates, LLC MA Bucktail Village, LLC KY Paintsville Mayo, LLC HC Anchorage -QRF WISE, LLC Danville Manor, LLC WHLR - Forrest Gallery, LLC **TDK Holdings LLC** Pine Grove Plaza Associates, LLC Tallahatchie Centre LLC -BRE Retail Residual NC Owner L.P. Harold L Libby Business Trust - Robert S Libby, Trustee Libby Punxy Associates, L.P. Associates of Philipsburg, LP Huntingdon Plaza LLC MBC Properties, LP Hudson Retail, LLC Arab Town Plaza, LLC Athens Investors, LLC

Rockstep Starkville, LLC Century Grenada, LLC ERSHCO LLC Action Retail Group IV, LLC Carbondale Real Estate, LLC Riddle Properties, LLC -J & A Bremen Development, LLC SUSO 1 Highland LP Blue Empire, LLC Taylorsville (Taylorsville) WMB, LLC -Springfield Realty Corp. -Clarksdale Center, Inc. -Wayne Heights Mall LLC Alford-Monticello Ltd. Beech Lake Commons, LLC Cumberland WVR, LLC Pebbles Holdings II, LLC Ruth Management, LLC and Harjust Management LLC - TGO Holdings, LLC Brown Investments, L.P. Olen Lee Morrison -Wilson & Muir Plaza, LLC The Christopher Partners, LLC -Action Retail Group I, LLC Standard Property Group, LP Main Street NA Parkade, LLC Ellwood City Development, LP Carver Resources, LLC Amory, LLC R.A.D.R. Ltd. FWI 40, L.L.C. Sayre Developers, LLC Penman Russellville, LLC Steven J. Fogel/B&S Properties -Savoy-Texas, LLC KenWay Investments, LLC Wegmans Food Markets, Inc 1109 Cheboygan LLC -Demopolis Towne Center, LLC -Seaway Plaza Realty LLC Somerset Investment and Holdings, LLC Dearcom Holdings, LLC Mike & Irene Simon -Lindy-Zell WM 2008, LLC

Millington Plaza Partners, LLC **Teachers Retirement System of Kentucky** Sunbury Plaza, LLC -Big Y Trust c/o Big Y Foods, Inc. -Malone Plaza Realty LLC LB-UBS 2007-C6-Pulaski Station LLC Live Oak Center, LLC ACS Forest Commons MS, LLC Harmon's, Inc. Jefferson City Investors, LLC B & B Realty Co. Bear Pointe Ventures, LLC TDC Genesee, LLC ACH Beacon Heights, LLC -**Rosecroft Center LLC** Harris Diversified Services, Inc. Liberty Square GA, LLC -Village Center, LLC -BRF, LLC Fulton Commons, LLC Penn Yan, LLC West County Investors, LLC Tri-Country Plaza 1989 Limited Partnership -KGI Gorham, LLC - c/o KGI Properties, LLC -Bright-Meyers Oneida, LP/Fletcher Bright Company -Pennmark Clearfield Holdings, LLC Shops at Dillon, LLC Hartsville Mall Company -Kingstree Square, LLC -Vidalia Associates, LLC Blake P. Garrett, Jr. as member -Centro NP Holdings 11&12 SPE, LLC **U.S.** Properties Group **TOD Properties, LLC** The Heritage of Newberry LOAR, LLC -The3SBoys, LLC A.J.M.D. Cairo, LLC Regency Jackson Square, LLC JHJ Ozark, LLC The Temples Company ALS Telfair - Perlis LLP -

Hazlehurst Village Shopping Center LLC Douglas Retail I, L.L.C. SDB Properties LL G & N Properties -Center Plaza, Inc. Altmore Realty, LLC -Town Square Development -Jebco Properties, LLC -Baxley Shopping Center, LLC -Marlec, Inc Habersham ZMCS LLC Clark Brothers L.L.C. -Peachtree Plaza of Louisville, Inc. -JWV, Inc. d/b/a Monroeville Shopping Center -T&W Investments -BOBRAL, LLC Colony Square, LLC Conecuh River Shares -Moultrie Square, L.L.C. -Carolyn Harris, Raymond Harris, Harris Realty -South East Investment Group, LLC **Thrift Bros Properties -**Carolina Enterprises, Inc Thomson Plaza, A Gen. Partnership -Sylvester Plaza Ltd. -ACS Louisa Plaza KY, LLC Southeastern Realty, LLC Gary Waller Investments, LP, LTD KROGER CENTER MOREHEAD, LLC P. Wailes III, R. M. Howell, T. B. Howell Jr, E. H. Brown - Madison-East Towne, LLC -DeVille Developments, LLC Yoramco-Cornerstone, LLC Glen Marye Properties, LLC Regency Kimball, LLC -Village Plaza Shopping Center, LLC OMZ King George, LLC Johnson - Johnson & Associates Regency Campbellsville, LLC GARDENSIDE CENTER LLC UNION CITY REALTY NOMINEE TRUST SFP Pool Seven, LLC Hupps Mill Plaza Associates, LLC Hauppauge Properties, LLC

Scotland Crossing Investors, LLC Lowther Brothers, LLC **Regency Commercial Associates LLC** Consolidated Properties Of New York, LLC Towanda PA Holding LLC United Properties Corp. **Bayside Limited Partnership** TKG Morganfield Development, LLC W & C Properties of NC, LLC **Regency Oxford II LLC** Joe Amato Properties LP **Tioga West LP** Acadia Realty LP NG Richmond Hill, LLC **Kroger Limited Partnership 1** Ershco, LLC CPEG Malta, LLC Fort Williams Square, LLC Oneida Company, Ltd. The SJ and The DJ Trust WRD Shippensburg, LP Westfall Town Center Joint Venture Hy-Vee, Inc. Macerich South Park Mall, LLC **GGP** Limited Partnership Times Square LLP -Terrace Pt LLC/Gr Forks INREIT, LLC -ARCP MT Springfield IL, LLC -Gravois Bluffs III, LLC Des Moines Associates -Goodrich Des Moines, LLC -Robert M Allen Family LP -Waterloo Center LLC Friedman Management Company -2057 N. Rock Road KS, LLC 911 Walnut, Inc. -CM Morris Corners, LLC Lakeport Commons Center, LLC Midland Empire Retail LLC Thornton Town Center 05, LLC -Fremont Mall LLC -Simon Property Group, LP

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Atascocita 1692, LLC **PWREI** Greensburg, LLC R.L.P. Development Company, Inc. - 6133 (old Northridge Shopping Center J. E. & G. E. Wharton DCM Ltd. LLC - C/o Admin Office Talon Properties, L.L.C. Great Plains Developments, LLC **EMD Fort Scott, LLC** Cedar Tree Management TKG Truman Lake Mall, LLC J. W. Franklin Co. Crown Hill Associates CWC 2006-C1 - 507 Park Lane, LLC Marshall Plaza LLC Southern Hills Shopping Center **Bootheel Shopping Center, LLC** Twin City Estate Corp. MEXWEST, LLC OP1, LLC Kirksville Shopping Center River City Mall of Keokuk Iowa, LLC ArciTerra OS Mt. Pleasant IA, LLC **Regency Prairie du Chien LLC** Brooklife Church, Inc. HP Taylorville LLC ACS II Fairview Park Plaza IL, LLC Times Square Realty LLC - 6270 (old Regency Southwind, LLC Regency Princeton LLC Cherry Tree Plaza, LLC MILLER FAMILY TRUST Midland Greencastle, LLC Shops at Crawfordsville, LLC **Regency Northern Indiana, LLC** Regency Columbia City, LLC **Royale Property Management** New Castle Equities LLC Brandywine Crossing, LLC MAP Shelbyville, LLC Artesian Square, LLC Regency Bedford LLC Salem Shopping Center, LLC

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COLUMBIA GAS OF PA SOMERSET TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY Burgmeier's Hauling Inc. City Of Lucedale **CITY OF PONTOTOC** PONTOTOC ELECTRIC POWER ASSOC. **COVINGTON GAS WATER & SEWER** COVINGTON ELECTRIC SYSTEM MEMPHIS LIGHT GAS AND WATER CITY OF MILLINGTON LEICHFIELD WATER SEWER & GAS SYSTEM **KENTUCY UTILITIES REAL DISPOSAL** MANSFIELD MUNIC. AUTHORITY VILLAGE OF MALONE TOWN OF PULASKI PULASKI CO. PSA CITY OF LIVE OAK FLORIDA FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT **CITY OF FOREST MS CITY OF GRAFTON** Mountain State Waste JEFFERSON CITY WATER DEPT. Jefferson Cooke County APPALACHIAN ELECTRIC COOP LIVINGSTON CO WATER & SEWER AUTH RG&E Verde Technology Group **CITY OF MADISON** TRI COUNTY INDUSTRIES Neshannock Township Sewer **CITY OF HINESVILLE** ROANOKE RAPIDS SANITARY DIST. VILLAGE CENTER COLUMBIA GAS OF KY Rumpke CITY OF PARIS KY VILLAGE OF PENN YAN **Big's Sanitation Inc. IRVING OIL** PUBLIC SVC OF NEW HAMPSHIRE MILAN CONTAINER CO CITIZENS GAS UTILITY

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All Green Services **City Of Brewton Utilities** FITZGERALD UTILITIES City of Moultrie City of Jesup City of Sylvania FORT HILL NATURAL GAS **City Of Pickens** Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative City of Florence City of Thomson **City Of Sylvester** LOUISA WATER CO. **AEP - KENTUCKY POWER** LONDON UTIL COMMISSIOIN **DELTA NATURAL GAS Murray Electric System Murray Municipal Utilities** Fleming-Mason Energy Morehead Utility Plant Board VEOLIA TOWN OF AMHERST Maysville Utility Commision Columbia Gas MASON CO GARBAGE FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT CITY OF MACCLENNY TOWN OF LOUISA RAPPAHANNOCK ELECT Sequachee Valley Electric Marion Gas & Water Works Priority Waste Shelbyville Municipal Water **CITY OF PLYMOUTH Dominion Virginia Power** Persia Utility District Holston Electric Coop. **Rogersville Water Commission** Hawkins County Gas Utility Campbellsville Water & Sewer Taylor County RECC City Of Campbellsville City Of McMinnville

McMinnville Electric System **City Of Henderson** City of Union City Union City Electric System Newport Utilities Jefferson Cocke-Gas Utility First Piedmont Corp Delta Natural Gas Co., Inc Water Service Corp. of KY MT. Sterling Water & Sewer City of Laurinburg MonPower **City Of Buckhannon** Vectren Energy Delivery Lebanon Utilities **River Valley Waste Management** Casella Waste Systems Village of Sidney **Bayside Limited Partnership** City Of Morganfield Gas & Water Town Of Elkin City Of Oxford **River Valley Waste** Aqua Pennsylvania **UGI PENN NATURAL GAS** PPL Electric City of Richmond Hill Beaver Dam Water Works Kenergy Sylacauga Utilities Board City of Sylacauga **Bliss Environmental Service Inc** City of Oneida Pike County Light & Power Co. UGI PNG, INC Iowa American Water Iowa America Water MidAmerican Energy City of Davenport City of Moline IL American Water Ameren **Cass County Electric Coop**

City of Fargo **City of Grand Forks** Nodak Electric Coop City Water Light & Power Ameren Illinois Spire Madison Gas & Electric Des Moines Water Works MidAmerican City of Grand Island NorthWestern Energy Waterloo Water Works **Caseyville Township Sewer** City of O'Fallon City of Wichita Kansa Gas Service Westar City of Topeka Kansas Gas Service **City Utilities of Springfield** Maguire Equipment Lakeport Commons Center KCP&L City of St. Joseph MO American Water City of Fremont NE Sioux Falls Utilities Lincoln Electric System City of Lincoln Water & Waste West Des Moines Water Works Independence utilities City of Independence Utilities KC Water Ameren Missouri City of Nampa **Colorado Springs Utilities Rib Mountain Sanitary Dist** Wisconsin Public Service City of Peoria Illinois American Water Greater Peoria Sanitary Dist Cedar Rapids Municipal Utilities Alliant Energy

City of Southaven Vectren City of Lafayette IN Columbia Gas KY KU **Carroll Electric Cooperative** City of Coralville **Public Works & Utilities Best Value Services** Council Bluffs Water Work **City Utilities** Indiana Michigan Power NIPSCO Mishawaka Utilities Montana-Dakota Utilities Rapid City Utility Billing Dakota Electric City of Burnsville City of Woodbury South Valley Sewer District **Dominion Energy** City of South Jordan **Riverdale City** Meridian **Denver Water City of East Peoria** WE Engies Kenosha Southport LLC Duke Verendrye Electric Coop City of Minot Valparaiso City Utilities Village of Ashwaubenon **Metropolitan Utilities District Omaha Public Power District** City of Wyoming City of Bismarck Kochville Township **CITY OF ROSENBERG** Indiana American Water Seymour Municipal Sanitation **Best Way Disposal** VECTREN ENERGY DELIV/ 6248

MADISON WATER & SEWA CITY OF HAYS MIDWEST ENERGY INC. Ideal Refuse **BRIDGESTONE MUD** HARRIS COUNTY MUD# 132 Greensburg Municipal Water Best Way Disposal Inc. Sewerage System Service Area Disposal Srvc Inc-Ln **RLP** Development Hannibal Board of Public Works Liberty Utilities **Big River Disposal CITY OF GUYMON Tri-County Electric CITY OF GARDEN CITY** VICTORY ELECTRIC COOP Brask Mall Services CITY OF DODGE CITY CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY City of Pittsburg MISSOURI GAS ENERGY **CARTHAGE WATER & ELETRIC** Heartland Waste Henry County Water Co City of Warrensburg Sewer Missouri American Water AMEREN UE City of Excelsior Springs MO CHILLICOTHE MUNICIPAL UTILITY EMPIRE DISTRICT MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTLITIES Summit Natural Gas of Missouru City Utilities/MO **City of West Plains** City Light, Gas, & Water CITY OF CRYSTAL CITY AMEREN UE Laclede Gas MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER **CITY OF MEXICO-Missouri** Dayne's Waste Disposal, Inc.

Handi-Shop **CITY OF MOBERLY** Randolph Co Sheltered Ind **CITY OF KIRKSVILLE** AMEREN-UE **KEOKUK MUNICIPAL** ALLIANT UTILITIES RAY BRADLEY, INC. MT. PLEASANT UTILITIES Lance Refuse Service **TOWN & COUNTRY SANITATION** MADISON GAS AND ELECTRIC **BRIDGEPORT SANITARY DIST** VILLAGE OF MUKWONAGO WE ENERGIES City of Taylorville **CITY OF CENTRAILA** City of Mt. Vernon CITY OF MT VERNON UT VECTREN ENERGY MT VERNON WATER WORKS **VEOLIA ENV SERVICES Princeton Water & Sewage** WASHINGTON MUNIC UTIL Veolia Environmental Services Linton Utilities **REPUBLIC WASTE SERVICES** Crawfordsville Electric Light&Power Crawfordsville Utilities City of Wabash Wastewater Wabash Valley Refuse COLUMBIA CITY UTILITIES AEP INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER CITY OF KENDALLVILLE UTILITIES HUNTINGTON CITY UTILITIES New Castle Utility Big B Rubbish Removal **GREENFIELD UTILITIES** Shelbyville Public Utilities Ray's Trash Service Inc. Martinsville Water & Sewer **Bedford City Utilities** MIDWEST NATURAL GAS

OHIO VALLEY GAS CORP TELL CITY ELECTRIC **BATESVILLE WATER & GAS UTILITY** Aurora Utilities City of Harrison VECTREN ENERGY/6262 WILMINGTON UTILITY **DAYTON POWER & LIGHT GREENVILLE WATERWORKS** DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT CITY OF SIDNEY DP&L City Of Bellefontaine **GDF SUEZ ENERGY** P & R Disposal DOMINION EAST OHIO **CITY OF CELINA UTILITIES** Maharg, Inc VAN WERT WATER WORKS Columbia Gas of Ohio FREMONT CITY WATERWORKS Constellation Aqua Ohio, Inc Aqua Ohio Inc. COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO **CITY OF TIFFIN CITY OF BUCYRUS** Crawford County Solid Waste KENTON WATER WORKS OHIO EDISON **CITY OF LONDON** CITY OF WASH.C.H. PIKE NATURAL GAS COMPANY HILLSBORO PUBLIC UTILITIES **Department Of Public Utilities CITY OF GALLIPOLIS** CITY OF JACKSON UTILITY DEPT Cconstellation **CITY OF MARIETTA WATER DEPARTMENT** DOMINION EAST OHIO City of Logan CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON OH

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City of Sulpher Springs	Louisiana Water Co.
Waste Connection Of Texas	Entergy
City of Kingsville Water Dept.	CITY OF OPELOUSAS
Centerpoint Energy Entex	Cleco Electric
Geus	Lafayette Uitlities System
ORANGE COUNTY WATER CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT	Entergy (Louisiana Power & Light)
Bay City Gas Company	Lafayette Utilities System
AMERIWASTE OF TEXAS LLC	City of Leesville
CORSICANA WATER & SANITARY	-
City of Pama	Southwestern Electric Power Company Atmos Louisiana Gas Service
City of Carlsbad New Mexico	City of West Monroe Waterworks
CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO	Lafourche Parish Water Dist # 1
Water District #1	
Consolidated Waterworks	WEST MEMPHIS UTILITY COMMISSION
City of Brenham	Graham County Electric Co.
Utility Department	Gila Resources\City of Stafford
City of LaGrange	Arizona Public Service Company
City of Granbury	Plaquemine City Light & Power
NAEC	ATMOS ENERGY-03
Northeast Public Water Authority, INC.	City of Melvern (Water Works)
City of Bellville	City of Andrew
City of Baytown	City of Dalhart Utility Department
East Cedar Creek Fresh Water	City of Las Vegas NM
City of Excelsior Springs	Continental Divide Electric Cooprerative, Inc.
City of Slidell	City of Denham Spring
City of Natchitoches	GROVE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
City of Gateville	City of Clinton
Magic Valley Electric Coop	City of Columbus-TX
Entergy (Arkansas Power & Light)	City of Elgin
ELECTRIC SERVICE & DEPOSIT - ENTERGY-01	Lumberton Municipal
Camden Water (City of Camden)	Coast Electric Power Assn
Entergy (prior name Arkansas Power & Light)	Diamondhead Water & Sewer District
Entergy-01	City o Woodville
Hope Water & Light	Clarksville Light & Water Company
Kennett Board of Public Works	Newport Municipal Water Company
City of Seabrook	ARKADELPHIA WATER CO
City of Mountain Home	Marshall Municipal Utilities
City of Kaufman	Overton Power District
Entergy (Mississippi Power & Light)	City of Page
Jefferson Parish	CITY OF SEALY
Gulf States Utility	MIDWEST ENERGY, INC
ENTERGY-03	CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION
Louisiana Power and Light	Northwest Alabama Gas

DEKALB CHEROKEE COUNTIES GAS DISTRICT CULLMAN-JEFFERSON COUNTIES Gas District Fayetteville Public Util City of Alexander City Utilities City of Marietta Mayfield Electric & Water Systems GLASGOW ELECTRIC PLANT BOARD Moundsville Water Board **KENTUCKY POWER** Princeton Electric Plant Board **Princetown Water** Southeast Brunswisk County of Brunswisk City of Celina Utilities **Tullahoma Utilities Board TULLAHOMA UTILITIES** Bryon City Clerk Tell City Electric Department **Philadelphia Utilities Columbia City Municipal Utilities** Arab Electric Coop Arab Waterworks Athen Utilities Starkville Utilities Muhlenberg County Water District Harnett County Public Works CITY OF TROY VOLUNTEER ENERGY COOPERATIVE LEXINGTON GAS SYSTEM LA FOLLETTE UTILITIES Dickson Electric Gas Deposit - Greater Dickson Gas TENNESSEE VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE **CITY OF SAVANNAH** Kosciusko Light & Water Plant ATMOS North Georgia Electric Memebership Corp City of Amory Utilities Electric & Water City of Chipley **Gulf Power Company** Valley Energy Sayre PA City of Russelville Alabama Power Company

Pontotoc Electric power Association Covington, TN City of Covengton Leithfield Water Sewer & Gas System Holyoke Gas & Electric City of Live Oak Florida, Utility Services FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT CO. FPL **City of Forest Appalachian Ele** WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES The City of Monroe **Roanoke rapids Sanitary Dist** DOMINION NORTH CAROLINA POWER **Tombigbee Electric Association** City of Fulton Gas utility District - Citizens Gas Utility **Plateau Electric Cooperative** Oneida Mt Vernon **Clearfield Municipal Authority** CENTRAL PENN GAS. Louisiana water London Utility Comm Murray, KY Maysville, KY Water Deposit Sequachee Valley Electric Cooperateive Martinsville Municipal Shelbyville, Kentucky Holston Electric Princeton, IN Porthsmouth CONNECTION FEE - MCMINNVILLE ELECTRIC SYSTEM THE CITY OF HENDERSON GAS DEPOSIT&WATER SEWER DEPOSIT - AURORA UTILITIES **DEPOSIT - LINTON UTILITIES** WATER SERVICE CORP OF KENTUCKY **CRAWFORDSVILLE ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER** City of MorganField Progress Energy (Duke) **Oxford Waterworks** City of Richmond

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CITY OF LEBANON KENERGY CORP CITY OF BEAVER DAM - KY **PIKE COUNTY LIGHT & POWER CO** Village of Jefferson CASS COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE NODAK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE City, Water Light & Power **BOA-NW Energy** CITY OF TOPEKA KS City Utilities of Springfield MO CITY OF NAMPA ID ENTERGY-02 **CITY OF LAFAYETTE INDIANA** CARROLL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE COOPERATIVE **BOA-** Council Bluffs Water **CITY UTILITIES - FT WAYNE IN** AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY **CITY OF WYOMING MICHIGAN**

Equity Holders

A.R.T. Advisors LLC Arrowstreet Capital LP Axar Capital Management LP BlackRock Fund Advisors Bridgeway Capital Management, Inc. **Crescent Grove Advisors LLC Diametric Capital LP Dimensional Fund Advisors LP Driehaus Capital Management LLC** EAM Global Investors LLC EAM Investors LLC Fuller & Thaler Asset Management, Inc. Geode Capital Management LLC Group One Trading LP Invesco Capital Management LLC LPL Financial LLC Marshall Wace North America LP **Mountaineer Partners Management LLC** Northern Trust Investments, Inc. (Investment Management) Paradigm Capital Management, Inc. Park West Asset Management LLC **Renaissance Technologies LLC**

Royce & Associates, LP Simplex Trading LLC Susquehanna Financial Group LLLP The Vanguard Group, Inc.

Schedule 2

Client Match List

Hudson Group Retail, LLC The Kroger Co. Marsh Merger Sub LLC Moran Foods LLC Office Depot PVH Corp. VF Corporation Case 20-32564 Document 352 Filed in TXSB on 05/28/20 Page 82 of 100

<u>Exhibit B</u>

Engagement Letter



March 18, 2020

Stage Stores, Inc. 2425 West Loop South, 11th Floor Houston, TX 77027

Attention: Michael Glazer Chief Executive Officer

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter agreement confirms the terms under which Stage Stores, Inc. (the "Company") has engaged PJ Solomon, L.P. and/or its affiliate PJ Solomon Securities, LLC (collectively, "Solomon") as its financial advisor and/or placement agent with respect to a possible Transaction (as defined below) and with respect to such other financial matters as to which the Company and Solomon may agree in writing during the term of this agreement. For purposes hereof, the term "Company" includes affiliates of the Company and any entity that the Company or its affiliates may form or invest in to consummate a Transaction, and shall also include any successor to or assignee of all or a portion of the assets and/or businesses of the Company whether pursuant to a Plan (as defined below) or otherwise. The parties agree that the Company reserves the right to pay success-based or advisory fees to other third-party advisors in connection with any Financing (it being understood that such fees shall not affect the Company's payment obligations hereunder). Furthermore, during the term of this agreement, the Company shall ensure that no other third party financial advisor shall market a Financing on behalf of the Company. The Company and Solomon entered into a previous engagement letter dated September 13, 2019 (the "Initial Engagement Letter"). This agreement amends and restates the Initial Engagement Letter and supersedes the terms of the Initial Engagement Letter in all respects.

1. Solomon will perform the following financial advisory services:

- a. General Financial Advisory Services. Solomon will:
 - i. to the extent it deems necessary, appropriate and feasible, familiarize itself with the business, operations, properties, financial condition and prospects of the Company; and
 - ii. if the Company determines to undertake a Transaction advise and assist the Company in structuring and effecting the financial aspects of such a transaction or transactions, subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement.
- b. <u>Restructuring Services</u>. If the Company pursues a Restructuring (as defined below), Solomon will:

- i. provide financial advice and assistance to the Company in developing and seeking approval of a Restructuring plan (as the same may be modified from time to time, a "<u>Plan</u>"), which may be a plan under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq. (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>");
- ii. if requested by the Company, in connection therewith, provide financial advice and assistance to the Company in structuring any new securities to be issued under the Plan;
- iii. if requested by the Company, advise and assist the Company in negotiations with entities or groups affected by the Plan; and
- iv. if requested by the Company, participate in hearings before the Bankruptcy Court (as defined below) with respect to the matters upon which Solomon has provided advice, including, as relevant, coordinating with the Company's counsel with respect to testimony in connection therewith.

For purposes of this agreement, the term "Restructuring" means any recapitalization or restructuring (including, without limitation, through any exchange, conversion, cancellation, forgiveness, retirement and/or a material modification or amendment to the terms, conditions or covenants thereof) of the Company's preferred equity and/or debt securities and/or other indebtedness, obligations or liabilities (including preferred stock, unfunded pension and retiree medical liabilities, partnership interests, lease obligations, trade credit facilities and/or contract or tort obligations), including pursuant to a repurchase or an exchange transaction, a Plan or a solicitation of consents, waivers, acceptances or authorizations.

- c. <u>Financing Services</u>. If the Company pursues a Financing (as defined below), Solomon will:
 - i. provide financial advice and assistance to the Company in structuring a Financing, identifying potential Investors (as defined below) and, at the Company's request, contacting such Investors;
 - ii. if Solomon and the Company deem it advisable, assist the Company in developing and preparing a memorandum (with any amendments or supplements thereto, the "Financing Offering Memorandum") to be used in soliciting potential Investors, it being agreed that (A) the Financing Offering Memorandum shall be based entirely upon information supplied by the Company, (B) the Company shall be solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the Financing Offering Memorandum, and (C) other than as contemplated by this subparagraph (c)(ii), the Financing

Offering Memorandum shall not be used, reproduced, disseminated, quoted or referred to at any time in any way, except with Solomon's prior written consent; and

iii. if requested by the Company, advise and assist the Company in negotiations with potential Investors.

For purposes of this agreement, the term "<u>Financing</u>" means an issuance, sale or placement of the equity, equity-linked or debt securities, instruments or obligations of the Company which is exempt from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>") with one or more lenders and/or investors, or any loan or other financing, including, without limitation, any "debtor in possession financing" or "exit financing" in connection with a case under the Bankruptcy Code or a rights offering (each such lender or investor, an "<u>Investor</u>").

It is understood and agreed that nothing contained herein shall constitute an expressed or implied commitment by Solomon to act in any other capacity or to underwrite, place or purchase any Financing or securities. The Company agrees that during the term of this agreement, without the consent of Solomon, (i) it will not pursue any financing transaction which would be in lieu of a Financing hereunder and (ii) all inquiries, whether direct or indirect, from prospective investors in a Financing will be referred to Solomon.

- d. <u>Sale Services</u>. If the Company pursues a Sale (as defined below), Solomon will:
 - i. provide financial advice and assistance to the Company in connection with a Sale, identify potential acquirers and, at the Company's request, contact such potential acquirers;
 - ii. at the Company's request, assist the Company in preparing a memorandum (with any amendments or supplements thereto, the "<u>Sale Memorandum</u>") to be used in soliciting potential acquirers, it being agreed that (A) the Sale Memorandum shall be based entirely upon information supplied by the Company, (B) the Company shall be solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the Sale Memorandum, and (C) other than as contemplated by this subparagraph (d)(ii), the Sale Memorandum shall not be used, reproduced, disseminated, quoted or referred to at any time in any way, except with Solomon's prior written consent; and
 - iii. if requested by the Company, advise and assist the Company in negotiations with potential acquirers.

For purposes of this agreement, the term "<u>Sale</u>" means the disposition to one or more third parties in one or a series of related transactions of (x) all or a material portion of the equity interests of the Company by the equity holders of the Company or (y) all or a material portion of the assets (including the assignment of any executory contracts) or businesses of the Company or its subsidiaries, in either case, including through a sale or exchange of capital stock or other equity interest, options or assets (including, without limitation, by acceptance of a credit bid), a lease of assets with or without a purchase option, a merger, consolidation or other business combination, a spin-off or split-off, an exchange or tender offer, a recapitalization, the formation of a joint venture, partnership or similar entity, or any similar transaction and the term "<u>Transaction</u>" means any Restructuring, Financing or Sale or all of them.

In rendering its services to the Company hereunder, Solomon is not assuming any responsibility for the Company's underlying business decision to pursue or not to pursue any business strategy or to effect or not to effect any Transaction or other transaction. The Company agrees that Solomon shall not have any obligation or responsibility to provide accounting, audit, "crisis management," or business consultant services for the Company and shall have no responsibility for designing or implementing operating, organizational, administrative, cash management or liquidity improvements, or to provide any fairness or valuation opinions or any advice or opinions with respect to solvency in connection with any transaction. The Company confirms that it will rely on its own counsel, accountants and similar expert advisors for legal, accounting, tax and other similar advice.

In order to coordinate effectively the Company's and Solomon's activities to effect a Transaction, the Company will promptly inform Solomon of any discussions, negotiations or inquiries regarding a possible Transaction (including any such discussions, negotiations or inquiries that have occurred in the six month period prior to, or at any time on or after, the date of this agreement).

The Company shall make available to Solomon all information concerning the business, assets, operations, financial condition and prospects of the Company that Solomon reasonably requests in connection with the services to be performed for the Company hereunder and shall provide Solomon with reasonable access to the Company's officers, directors, employees, independent accountants and other advisors and agents as Solomon shall deem reasonably appropriate. With respect to any financial forecasts (including cost savings and synergies) that may be furnished to or discussed with Solomon by the Company or any other party, Solomon will rely on such forecasts and will assume that they have been reasonably prepared and reflect the best then currently available estimates and judgment of the Company's or such other party's management. The Company represents that all information furnished by it or on its behalf to Solomon (including information contained in any Financing Offering Memorandum and/or Sale Memorandum), when

delivered, will be true and correct in all material respects, will be prepared in good faith, and will not contain any material misstatement of fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements contained therein not misleading. The Company recognizes and confirms that in advising the Company and completing its engagement hereunder, Solomon will be using and relying on publicly available information and on data, material and other information furnished to Solomon by the Company and other parties. It is understood that in performing under this agreement Solomon may assume and rely upon the accuracy and completeness of, and is not assuming any responsibility for independent verification of, such publicly available information and the other information so furnished. The Company will promptly notify Solomon if the Company learns of any material inaccuracy or misstatement in, or any material omission from, any such information (including forecasts) furnished by the Company or any other party to Solomon or any such publicly available information.

2. Solomon's compensation for services rendered under this agreement will consist of the following cash fees:

a. Initial Fee and Monthly Advisory Fees.

- i. A financial advisory fee of \$250,000, which shall be due and payable by the Company upon the execution of this agreement (the "Initial Fee").
- ii. A monthly financial advisory fee of \$150,000 (the "Monthly Advisory Fee"), which shall become due and payable on the earlier of (x) the business day following the date on which the Company files for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection or (y) May 1, 2020, and thereafter on each monthly anniversary of the date of first payment during the term of this agreement. The aggregate amount of Monthly Advisory Fees actually paid to Solomon following payment of the third Monthly Advisory Fee shall be credited, once, against any Restructuring Transaction Fee, Sale Transaction Fee or Financing Transaction Fee, as the case may be, payable to Solomon pursuant to subparagraphs (b)-(d) below.
- b. <u>Restructuring Transaction Fee</u>. If at any time during the term of this agreement or within the twelve months following the termination of this agreement (the "<u>Fee Period</u>"), (x) any Restructuring is consummated or (y)(1) an agreement in principle, definitive agreement or Plan to effect a Restructuring is entered into and (2) concurrently therewith or at any time thereafter (including following the expiration of the Fee Period), any Restructuring is consummated, the Company shall pay Solomon a transaction fee (a "<u>Restructuring Transaction Fee</u>") at the closing thereof equal to 1.0% of the sum of (i) the aggregate principal amount of the Company's funded indebtedness (including accrued and unpaid interest), (ii)

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the liquidation preference of the Company's preferred stock (including any accrued and unpaid dividends) and (iii) the face value of any other obligations (including, for the avoidance of doubt, lease obligations), in the case of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), restructured or recapitalized (including without limitation, through any exchange, conversion, cancellation, forgiveness, retirement and/or material modification or amendment to the terms, conditions or covenants thereof).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this agreement, in connection with any Restructuring that is intended to be effected, in whole or in part, as a prepackaged, partial prepackaged or prearranged plan of reorganization anticipated to involve the solicitation of acceptances of such plan in compliance with the Bankruptcy Code, by or on behalf of the Company, from holders of any class of the Company's securities, indebtedness or obligations (a "<u>Prepackaged Plan</u>") the Restructuring Transaction Fee shall be payable (x) (i) in the case of a Prepackaged Plan that takes the form of prepackaged or partial prepackaged plan or reorganization, 50.0% upon receipt of votes from the Company's creditors necessary to confirm such Prepackaged Plan or (ii) in the case of a Prepackaged Plan that takes the form of a prearranged plan of reorganization, 50.0% upon obtaining indications of support from the Company are sufficient to justify filing such Prepackaged Plan, and (y) the balance shall be payable upon consummation of such Restructuring.

Financing Transaction Fee. If at any time during the Fee Period, the Company (x) consummates any Financing or (y)(1) the Company receives and accepts written commitments for one or more Financings (the execution by a potential financing source and the Company of a commitment letter or securities purchase agreement or other definitive documentation shall be deemed to be the receipt and acceptance of such written commitment) and (2) concurrently therewith or at any time thereafter (including following the expiration of the Fee Period) any Financing is consummated, the Company will pay to Solomon a financing fee equal to the applicable percentage below of the gross proceeds of, or if greater, maximum lending or funding commitment under, such Financing (a "Financing Transaction Fee"):

c.

- i. 1.0% for senior secured debt (including any debtor-in-possession financing and any revolving credit facility); provided, however, that the Financing Transaction Fee in respect of debtor-in-possession Financing provided by Wells Fargo and/or Pathlight shall be 0.50%;
- ii. 2.0% for junior secured, "last-out" or "FILO" debt, unitranche debt (*i.e.*, combining different types of debt, such as senior and subordinated, into one instrument) and subordinated or mezzanine debt;

- iii. 5.0% for common, preferred or other equity, including, without limitation, securities or debt convertible into equity or equity-linked debt; and
- iv. with respect to any other securities or indebtedness issued, such financing fees or other compensation as shall be customary under the circumstances and mutually agreed by the Company and Solomon.

It is understood and agreed that if the proceeds of any such Financing are to be funded in more than one stage, the aggregate proceeds to be raised in all stages of such Financing shall be deemed to have been received, and Solomon shall be entitled to the applicable compensation hereunder calculated based on such aggregate proceeds, upon the closing date of the first stage thereof.

d. <u>Sale Transaction Fee.</u> If at any time during the Fee Period, (x) any Sale is consummated or (y)(1) an agreement in principle or definitive agreement to effect a Sale is entered into, and (2) concurrently therewith or at any time thereafter (including following the expiration of the Fee Period) any Sale is consummated, the Company shall pay Solomon a transaction fee (a "Sale Transaction Fee") at the closing thereof, which shall be equal to a percentage of Aggregate Consideration (as defined below) paid or payable in connection with a Sale in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit B hereto; provided, however, that the minimum Sale Transaction Fee payable to Solomon pursuant to this sentence in connection with any Sale shall be \$2.0 million.

For purposes of this agreement, the term "Aggregate Consideration" means the total amount of cash and the fair market value (on the date of payment and as determined by Solomon in good faith) of all equity interests and other property paid or payable, directly or indirectly, by the acquiring party (the "Acquiror") to the acquired party or the seller of the acquired business (in either case, the "Acquired"), or to the Acquired's contract parties, claim holders, equity holders and employees, or by the Acquired to the Acquired's contract parties, claim holders, equity holders and employees, in connection with a Sale or a transaction related thereto (including, without limitation, the face amount of any indebtedness, securities or other property "credit bid" in any Sale) and amounts paid by the Acquiror (i) pursuant to covenants not to compete, employment contracts, employee benefit plans or other similar arrangements of the Acquired and (ii) to holders of any warrants, stock purchase rights, convertible securities or similar rights of the Acquired and to holders of any options or stock appreciation rights issued by the Acquired, whether or not vested). Aggregate Consideration shall also include the value of any short-term and longterm liabilities (including obligations relating to any capitalized leases and the principal amount of any indebtedness for borrowed money) (x) existing on the Acquired's balance sheet at the time of a Sale or repaid or retired in anticipation of

a Sale (if such Sale takes the form of a merger or sale or exchange of stock) or (y) assumed directly or indirectly by the Acquiror in connection with a Sale (if such Sale takes the form of a sale or exchange of assets). Aggregate Consideration shall also include (i) the value of any current assets not sold to the Acquiror minus (ii) the value of any current liabilities not assumed by the Acquiror, each such value as of the closing date of the Sale and as determined by Solomon in good faith. If a Sale takes the form of a sale of equity interests or recapitalization of the Company (including, without limitation, an extraordinary dividend, a spin-off, split-off or similar transaction), Aggregate Consideration shall also include the fair market value (on the closing date of the Sale and as determined by Solomon in good faith) of (i) the equity interests of the Company retained by the Company's equity holders and/or creditors following the consummation of such transaction and (ii) any cash. equity interests (including equity interests of subsidiaries) or other consideration received by the Company's equity holders and/or creditors in exchange for or in respect of equity interests of and/or claims against the Company in connection with such transaction (all such cash, equity interests or and/or claims against other consideration received by such equity holders and/or creditors being deemed to have been paid to such equity holders and/or creditors in such transaction). In the event that any part of the consideration in connection with any Sale will be payable (whether in one payment or a series of two or more payments) at any time following the consummation thereof, the term Aggregate Consideration shall include the present value of such future payment or payments, as determined by Solomon and the Company in good faith. As used in this agreement, the terms "payment", "paid" or "payable" shall be deemed to include, as applicable, the issuance or delivery of equity interests or other property other than cash.

Each party hereto acknowledges and agrees that Solomon's restructuring expertise as well as its capital markets knowledge, financing skills and mergers and acquisitions capabilities. some or all of which may be required during the term of Solomon's engagement hereunder, were important factors in determining the amount of the various fees set forth herein, and that the ultimate benefit of Solomon's services hereunder could not be measured merely by reference to the number of hours to be expended by Solomon's professionals in the performance of such services. Each party hereto also acknowledges and agrees that the various fees set forth herein have been agreed upon by the parties in anticipation that a substantial commitment of professional time and effort will be required of Solomon and that the actual time and commitment required of Solomon and its professionals to perform its services hereunder may vary substantially from week to week or month to month, creating "peak load" issues for Solomon. In addition, given the numerous issues with Solomon's commitment to the variable level of time and effort necessary to address all such issues as they arise, and the market prices for Solomon's services for engagements of this nature in an out-of-court context, each party hereto agrees that the fee and expense arrangements hereunder are reasonable under all applicable legal standards. In addition,

the Company and Solomon acknowledge and agree that more than one fee may be payable to Solomon under subparagraphs 2(b)-(d) hereof in connection with any single transaction or a series of transactions, it being understood and agreed that (i) if more than one fee becomes so payable to Solomon in connection with a series of transactions (*e.g.*, a debtorin-possession Financing, a Sale Transaction and an "exit" Financing occur), each such fee shall be paid to Solomon and (ii) if more than one fee becomes so payable to Solomon in connection with a single transaction where proceeds would otherwise be double-counted (*e.g.*, a Financing Transaction Fee is triggered in connection with raising "exit" Financing and the proceeds from such "exit" Financing are used to pay down existing obligations of the Company which would trigger a Restructuring Transaction Fee), the highest of such fees shall be paid to Solomon.

In addition to any fees payable by the Company to Solomon hereunder and without in any 3. way reducing or affecting the provisions of Exhibit A hereto, the Company shall, whether or not any transaction contemplated by this agreement shall be proposed or consummated, reimburse Solomon on a monthly basis for its reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses (including, without limitation, travel and lodging, data processing and communication charges, research and courier services) incurred in connection with, or arising out of, Solomon's activities under or contemplated by this agreement or in the execution and delivery of this agreement or enforcement of Solomon's rights hereunder, including all reasonable and documented fees, disbursements and other charges of counsel to be retained by Solomon (without the requirement that the retention of such counsel be approved by the Bankruptcy Court) and of other consultants and advisors retained by Solomon; provided, however that the amount of such fees and expenses for which Solomon may seek reimbursement from the Company under this Section 3 shall not exceed \$100,000 in the aggregate without the Company's consent (not to be unreasonably withheld). The Company shall also reimburse Solomon, at such times as Solomon shall request, for any sales, use or similar taxes (including additions to such taxes, if any) arising in connection with any matter referred to or contemplated by, this agreement. Such reimbursements shall be made promptly upon submission by Solomon of statements for such expenses.

- 4. The Company agrees that the provisions of <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto are an integral part of this agreement and the terms of <u>Exhibit A</u> are incorporated by reference herein. <u>Exhibit A</u> shall survive any termination or expiration of this agreement.
- 5. This agreement may be terminated by either the Company or Solomon at any time, upon 30 days' prior written notice thereof to the other party; provided, however, that (a) termination of this agreement shall not affect the Company's continuing obligations and agreements under paragraphs 4 through 14 and Exhibit A hereof, (b) notwithstanding any such termination, Solomon shall be entitled to the full fees in the amounts and at the times provided for in paragraph 2 hereof and (c) any termination of this agreement shall not affect the Company's obligation to pay any accrued fees or reimburse expenses accruing prior to

such termination to the extent provided in paragraphs 2-3 hereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may terminate this agreement "with cause" (as defined below) without providing any notice to Solomon. "With cause" shall mean that actions or failures to act of Solomon (other than an action or failure to act undertaken at the request or with the written consent of the Company) in the performance of its services under this agreement constituted gross negligence or willful misconduct (in each case, after notice and a reasonable opportunity to cure).

- 6. Solomon and the Company agree that the terms of that certain Confidentiality Agreement dated as of August 26, 2019 (the "<u>Confidentiality Agreement</u>") shall remain in effect and govern all information shared by the Company during the term of this agreement.
- 7. Solomon has been retained under this agreement as an independent contractor with no agency relationship to the Company or to any other party, it being understood that Solomon shall have no authority to bind, represent or otherwise act as agent, executor, administrator, trustee, lawyer or guardian for the Company, nor shall Solomon have the authority to manage money or property of the Company. The advice (oral or written) rendered by Solomon pursuant to this agreement is intended solely for the benefit and use of the Board of Directors of the Company in considering the matters to which this agreement relates, and the Company agrees that such advice may not be disclosed or relied upon by any other person or entity (including, without limitation, securityholders, affiliates or creditors of the Company), used for any other purpose or reproduced, disseminated, quoted or referred to at any time, in any manner for any purpose, nor shall any public references to Solomon be made by the Company, without the prior written consent of Solomon; provided, however, that such advice may be disclosed (i) on a confidential, non-reliance, need-to-know basis to the Company's management employees, legal counsel, accountants, auditors, and other advisors as the Company reasonably determines is necessary and (ii) as required or requested under applicable law, regulation, or legal, judicial, or administrative process, or pursuant to a court order (in which case, the Company agrees that such disclosure shall be reasonable and customary and limited to only that information that the Company is advised by counsel that it is required to disclose and the Company agrees to notify Solomon in advance of any such disclosure, and provide Solomon an opportunity to comment on, any such disclosure). Solomon and its affiliates will not be liable for any losses, claims, damages or liabilities arising out of the actions taken, omissions of or advice given by other parties who are providing services to the Company in connection with a Transaction.
- 8.

The Company shall comply, and shall assist Solomon in complying, with all federal and state securities laws and regulations applicable to a Financing. The Company represents and agrees that it has not taken and will not take, directly or indirectly, any action if, as a result, the offer and sale of any of securities contemplated hereby would fail to be entitled to the exemption from registration requirements of the Securities Act provided for in Section 4(a)(2) thereof or Rule 506 of Regulation D. In particular, the Company will not

(i) offer or sell any securities as contemplated hereby by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising or (ii) offer or sell any securities as contemplated hereby to any person who is not an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule 501 under the Securities Act) or a qualified institutional buyer (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act). The Company will exercise reasonable care to assure that the purchasers of such securities are not underwriters within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Act. Furthermore, the Company has not, directly or indirectly, made any offer or sale, or will, directly or indirectly, make any offer or sale, of any security which is or would be integrated with the sale of any security contemplated hereby in a manner that would require any applicable security to be registered under the Securities Act. As used herein, the terms "offer" and "sale" have the meanings specified in Section 2(a)(3) of the Securities Act.

9. The Company shall cause to be furnished to Solomon at each closing of a Financing involving securities copies of such agreements, opinions, certificates and other documents as Solomon may reasonably request. In addition, the Company shall be deemed to make all the representations and warranties to Solomon that the Company has made to the purchasers of any Financing involving securities in any purchase agreement or other document and Solomon shall be entitled to rely upon, the same opinions of counsel that are provided to the purchasers in such Financing.

- 10. The Company agrees that in any press release announcing a Transaction issued by the Company, the Company will include in such press release a reference to Solomon's role as financial advisor or placement agent, as applicable, to the Company with respect to such Transaction in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Solomon. The Company agrees that Solomon shall have the right, after the signing of a definitive agreement in respect of a Transaction and public announcement made by the Company related thereto, to place advertisements in financial and other newspapers and journals at its own expense describing its services to the Company hereunder and otherwise use customary "tombstones" and describe its services hereunder in any form of media or in Solomon's marketing materials; provided, that Solomon shall seek prior consent from the Company in respect of any terms contained in such advertisement which have not been previously publicly disclosed (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld).
- 11. This agreement shall be deemed to be made in New York, New York. This agreement and all controversies arising from or relating to performance of this agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York without giving effect to such state's rules concerning conflicts of laws that might provide for any other choice of law. The Company hereby irrevocably consents to personal jurisdiction in the Supreme Court of the State of New York in New York County, Commercial Part for the purposes of any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of this agreement or any of the agreements or transactions contemplated hereby, which is brought by or against the Company, hereby waives any objection to venue with respect thereto, and

hereby agrees that all claims in respect of any such suit, action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in any such court, and that such court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any claims arising out of or relating to such agreements or transactions; provided that in the event that the Company becomes a debtor under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, during any such case, any such claims may also be heard and determined in the Bankruptcy Court. If and only if the foregoing court does not have jurisdiction over any such suit, action or other legal proceeding, such suit, action or legal proceeding may be brought in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (and in such instance, each of the parties hereto agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such court). The Company hereby irrevocably consents to the service of process of any of the aforementioned courts in any such suit, action or proceeding by the mailing of copies thereof by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the Company at its address set forth above, such service to become effective ten (10) days after such mailing. ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIM OR ACTION ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR CONDUCT IN CONNECTION WITH SOLOMON'S ENGAGEMENT IS HEREBY WAIVED BY THE COMPANY.

- 12. This agreement may not be assigned by either party hereto without the prior written consent of the other, to be given in the sole discretion of the party from whom such consent is being requested. Any attempted assignment of this agreement made without such consent shall be void and of no effect, at the option of the non-assigning party. Subject to the foregoing, this agreement shall be binding upon Solomon and the Company and their respective successors and permitted assigns (including, in the case of the Company, any successor to all or a portion of the assets and/or the businesses of the Company under a Plan). This agreement (including Exhibit A) and the Confidentiality Agreement embody the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. If any provision of this agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect, such determination will not affect the agreement in any other respect, which will remain in full force and effect. No waiver, amendment or other modification of this agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by each party to be bound thereby. This agreement is solely for the benefit of the Company, Solomon and, to the extent expressly set forth herein, the Indemnified Parties (as defined in Exhibit A) and no other party shall be a third-party beneficiary to, or otherwise acquire or have any rights under or by virtue of, this agreement.
- 13. The Company represents and warrants that the Company does not appear on the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List of the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury, nor is it a prohibited party according to other U.S. government regulatory or enforcement agencies.
- 14. In the event that the Company becomes a debtor under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Company shall apply promptly to the bankruptcy court having jurisdiction over the

chapter 11 case or cases (the "Bankruptcy Court") for the approval pursuant to sections 327(a) and 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code of this agreement and Solomon's retention by the Company under the terms of this agreement, subject only to the standard of review provided for in Section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and not subject to the standard of review under section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code or any other standard of review, and shall use its best efforts to obtain Bankruptcy Court authorization thereof. The Company shall supply Solomon and its counsel with a draft of such application and the proposed order authorizing Solomon's retention that is proposed to be submitted to the Bankruptcy Court sufficiently in advance of the filing of such application or the submission of such order, as the case may be, to enable Solomon and its counsel to review and comment thereon. Solomon shall have no obligation to provide any services under this agreement in the event that the Company becomes a debtor under the Bankruptcy Code unless Solomon's retention under the terms of this agreement is approved under Section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code by a final order of the Bankruptcy Court no longer subject to appeal, rehearing, reconsideration or petition for certiorari, and which order is acceptable to Solomon in all respects. Solomon acknowledges that in the event that the Bankruptcy Court approves its retention by the Company pursuant to the application process described in this paragraph, payment of Solomon's fees and expenses shall be subject to (i) the jurisdiction and approval of the Bankruptcy Court under section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and any order approving Solomon's retention, (ii) any applicable fee and expense guidelines and/or orders and (iii) any requirements governing interim and final fee applications. In the event that the Company becomes a debtor under the Bankruptcy Code and Solomon's engagement hereunder is approved by the Bankruptcy Court, the Company shall pay all fees and expenses of Solomon hereunder (including, without limitation, the fees and expenses of Solomon's counsel) as promptly as practicable in accordance with the terms hereof. Prior to commencing a chapter 11 case, the Company shall pay all undisputed amounts theretofore due and payable to Solomon in cash.

In any such chapter 11 case or cases, the Company agrees that Solomon's post-petition compensation as set forth herein and payments made pursuant to the expense reimbursement and other provisions of this agreement, including, without limitation, <u>Exhibit A</u>, shall be entitled to priority as expenses of administration under sections 503(b)(1)(A) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code and shall further be entitled to the benefits of any "carve-outs" for professional fees and expenses (which carve-outs shall be adequate to enable the Company to pay promptly Solomon the compensation and expense reimbursement contemplated hereby taking into account the Company's obligations to other professionals entitled to the benefit of the carve-outs) in effect in such cases pursuant to one or more financing orders entered by the Bankruptcy Court. The Company shall use its best efforts to ensure that any cash collateral order, debtor-in-possession financing order and/or similar order entered in such chapter 11 case or cases (a) permits the use of cash collateral and financing proceeds for the full and prompt payment of all of Solomon's fees and expenses contemplated hereby (including, without limitation, all fees contingent upon the occurrence of transactions), and

(b) contains the agreements by the lenders (or parties whose cash collateral is being used) that Solomon's fees and expenses shall be paid at the times and from the sources specified herein.

15. The Company understands that Solomon is an affiliate of Natixis (together with its affiliates including Solomon, "Natixis") and that Natixis engages globally in a wide variety of financing, commodities, derivatives, commercial banking, investment banking, securities trading and brokerage activities, asset management and financial advisory services. In the ordinary course of its activities Natixis may at any time (i) be in possession of non-public information that it does not disclose to the Company and (ii) hold long or short positions, or trade or otherwise effect transactions, for its own account or customer accounts, in the debt or equity of (or other financial instruments relating to) persons or entities that may be involved or otherwise have interests in the Transaction or may provide investment banking and other services or financing to such persons or entities. The Company further understands and agrees that Natixis may exercise voting power or other types of discretion over loans or securities of (or other financial instruments relating to) persons or entities that may be involved in the Transaction and that Natixis may exercise such powers or discretion and otherwise perform its functions in connection with any fiduciary and other relationships without regard to its relationship to the Company.

16. This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart signature page to this agreement by telecopier or e-mail (including by pdf or other electronic format) shall be as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart signature page of this agreement. No failure or delay by Solomon in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder or pursuant hereto, or any failure to give notice of any breach of or to require compliance with any term of this agreement, shall operate as a waiver thereof. Notice required to be given in writing pursuant to any of the provisions of this letter agreement shall be mailed by next-day delivery using a nationally-recognized overnight courier or hand-delivered (a) if to the Company, at the address set forth above, Attention: General Counsel and (b) if to Solomon, at 1345 Avenue of the Americas, 31st Floor, New York, New York 10105, Attention: General Counsel.

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We are pleased to accept this engagement and look forward to working with the Company. Please confirm that the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding by signing this letter, which shall thereupon constitute a binding agreement between Solomon and the Company.

By:

Very truly yours,

PJ SOLOMON, L.P.

By: PJ Solomon GP, LLC Its General Partner

David A. Shy man By:

Name: David A. Shiffman Title: Managing Director

PJ SOLOMON SECURITIES, LLC

David A. Ship man

Name: David A. Shiffman Title: Managing Director

Accepted and Agreed to:

STAGE STORES INC.

By: Name: Michael Gilgzer

Title: President (CEO

EXHIBIT A

Reference is made to the agreement attached hereto between Solomon and the Company. Unless otherwise noted, all capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth in the agreement. As further consideration under the agreement, the Company shall indemnify and hold harmless Solomon and its affiliates, counsel, and other professional advisors, and the respective directors, officers, members, partners, controlling persons, agents, and employees of each of the foregoing (Solomon and all of such other persons collectively, the "Indemnified Parties"), from and against any losses, claims, or proceedings including stockholder actions, damages, judgments, assessments, investigation costs, third-party subpoenas, settlement costs, fines, penalties, arbitration awards, other liabilities, costs, fees, and expenses (collectively, "Losses") (i) related to or arising out of (A) written information provided by the Company, the Company's employees or other agents, which either the Company or Solomon provides to any persons, or (B) other action or failure to act by the Company, the Company's employees or other agents, or Solomon at the Company's request or with the Company's consent, or (ii) otherwise related to or arising out of the engagement of Solomon under this agreement, the Financing, or any other transaction or conduct in connection therewith, provided that this clause (ii) shall not apply to the extent that it is determined by a final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction that such Losses arose out of the fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence, or bad faith of such Indemnified Party. If multiple claims are brought against an Indemnified Party in an arbitration, with respect to at least one of which indemnification is permitted under applicable law and provided for under this agreement, the Company agrees that any arbitration award shall be conclusively deemed to be based on claims as to which indemnification is permitted and provided for, except to the extent the arbitration award expressly states that the award, or any portion thereof, is based solely on a claim as to which indemnification is not available. It is understood that the indemnification provisions of this Exhibit A shall not apply to any claim, action, suit or proceeding that is brought by the Company directly against any Indemnified Party, except that the indemnification provisions of this Exhibit A shall apply in any instance where the Company and the Indemnified Parties are both defendants in the same third party claim (a "Primary Claim") and the Company brings a claim that directly arises out of the underlying facts of such Primary Claim against any Indemnified Party.

The Company shall further reimburse any Indemnified Party promptly for, or at the Indemnified Party's option advance amounts sufficient to cover, any legal or other fees or expenses as they are incurred (i) in investigating, preparing, or pursuing any action or other proceeding (whether formal or informal) or threat thereof, whether or not in connection with pending or threatened litigation or arbitration and whether or not any Indemnified Party is a party (an "Action") and (ii) in connection with enforcing such Indemnified Party's rights under this agreement and Exhibit <u>A</u> to the agreement; provided, however, to the extent that it is determined by a final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction that the Losses of such Indemnified Party arose out of the fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence, or bad faith of an Indemnified Party, such Indemnified Party will promptly remit to the Company any amounts reimbursed or advanced under this paragraph.

The Company may, if requested by Solomon, assume the defense of any such Action including the employment of counsel reasonably satisfactory to Solomon and will not settle, compromise, consent, or otherwise resolve or seek to terminate any pending or threatened Action (whether or not any Indemnified Party is a party thereto) unless it obtains (i) the prior written consent of Solomon or (ii) (x) an express, unconditional release of each Indemnified Party from all liability relating to such Action and the engagement of Solomon under this agreement and (y) such settlement, compromise, or consent does not include any admission or assumption of fault on the part of any Indemnified Party. Any Indemnified Party shall be entitled to retain separate counsel of its choice and participate in the defense of any Action in connection with any of the matters to which this Exhibit A relates, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Party unless: (i) the Company has failed promptly to assume the defense and employ counsel and has not rectified such failure within 10 business days of receiving notice thereof, (ii) such Indemnified Party shall have been advised by its counsel that there may be one or more legal defenses available to it which are different from or in addition to those available to the Company, or (iii) the Company authorizes the Indemnified Party to employ separate counsel at the Company's expense (in each such case the Company will pay the fees and disbursements of such counsel); provided that the Company shall not in such event be responsible under this Exhibit A for the fees and expenses of more than one firm of separate counsel (in addition to local counsel) in connection with any such Action in the same jurisdiction. The Company shall have no liability pursuant to this Exhibit A for any settlement effected without its prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld).

The Company agrees that if any right of any Indemnified Party set forth in the preceding paragraphs is finally judicially determined to be unavailable (but not, for the avoidance of doubt, if such rights are unavailable as a result of the fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence, or bad faith of such Indemnified Party), or is insufficient to hold such Indemnified Party harmless against such Losses as contemplated herein, then the Company shall contribute to such Losses (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the (a) relative benefits received and (b) relative fault of any alleged wrongdoing by (x) the Company and its stockholders, on the one hand, and (y) such Indemnified Party, on the other hand, in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby,; provided, however, that in no event shall the amount, if any, to be contributed by all Indemnified Parties exceed the amount of the fees actually received by Solomon hereunder. Benefits received (or anticipated to be received) by the Company and its stockholders shall be deemed to be equal to the aggregate cash consideration and value of equity interests or any other property payable. exchangeable or transferable in any proposed or potential transactions within the scope of this agreement, and benefits received by Solomon shall be deemed to be equal to the compensation payable by the Company to Solomon in connection with this agreement. Relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any alleged untrue statement or omission or any other alleged conduct relates to information provided by the Company or other conduct by the Company (or the Company's employees or other agents) on the one hand or by Solomon on the other hand. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution were determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take into account the equitable considerations referred to above.

The Company also agrees that no Indemnified Party shall have any liability (whether direct or indirect, in contract or tort or otherwise) to the Company for or in connection with advice or services rendered or to be rendered by any Indemnified Party pursuant to this agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby or any Indemnified Party's actions or inactions in connection with any such advice, services or transactions except to the extent Losses of the Company are finally judicially determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen out of the gross negligence, willful misconduct, fraud or bad faith of such Indemnified Party in connection with any such advice, actions, inactions or services.

The rights of the Indemnified Parties hereunder shall be in addition to any other rights that any Indemnified Party may have at common law, by statute or otherwise. Except as otherwise expressly provided for in this Exhibit A, if any term, provision, covenant, or restriction contained in this Exhibit A is held by a court of competent jurisdiction or other authority to be invalid, void, unenforceable, or against its regulatory policy, the remainder of the terms, provisions, covenants, and restrictions contained in this agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated. The reimbursement, indemnity and contribution obligations of the Company set forth herein shall (i) apply to any modification of this agreement and shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any termination of this agreement and (ii) shall inure to the benefit of any successor or assign of any Indemnified Party.

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EXHIBIT B

FEE SCHEDULE

Aggregate Consideration	Sale Transaction Fee
Below \$100.0 million	\$2.0 million
\$100.0 million	2.000%
\$200.0 million	1.750%
\$300.0 million	1.650%
\$400.0 million	1.600%
\$500.0 million	1.500%
Above \$500.0 million	1.500%

The applicable Sale Transaction Fee percentage for Aggregate Consideration amounts which fall between the amounts listed above shall be calculated based on a straight line interpolation of the percentages in the fee schedule.

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:

STAGE STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-32564 (DRJ)

(Jointly Administered)

Re: Docket No. ___

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF PJ SOLOMON, L.P. AND PJ SOLOMON SECURITIES, LLC AS INVESTMENT BANKER FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION, EFFECTIVE AS OF MAY 10, 2020

Upon the application (the "<u>Application</u>")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>"), (a) authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ PJ Solomon, L.P. and PJ Solomon Securities, LLC (collectively, "<u>Solomon</u>") as their investment banker, effective as of May 10, 2020, pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions of the Engagement Letter, which is annexed to the Application as <u>Exhibit B</u>, as modified by this order, (b) modifying certain of the timekeeping requirements, and (c) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Application; and upon the First Day Declaration and the Hootnick Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that it may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Stage Stores, Inc. (6900) and Specialty Retailers, Inc. (1900). The Debtors' service address is: 2425 West Loop South, Houston, Texas 77027.

² Capitalized terms used and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

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proceeding and the Application in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Application and opportunity for a hearing on the Application were appropriate and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Application and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "<u>Hearing</u>"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Debtors are authorized to retain and employ Solomon as their investment banker in these chapter 11 cases, pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Engagement Letter.

2. Except to the extent set forth herein, all of Solomon's compensation as set forth in the Engagement Letter, including, without limitation, the Fee and Expense Structure and the Indemnification Provisions, is approved pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Debtors are authorized to pay, reimburse, and indemnify Solomon in accordance with the terms and conditions of, and at the times specified in, the Engagement Letter.

3. Solomon shall file fee applications for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses, pursuant to, and in accordance with the proecedures set forth in sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, such Bankruptcy Rules and Local Rules as may then be applicable, and any other applicable order and procedures of the Court; *provided*, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, any other order

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of the Court, or any other guideline regarding the submission and approval of fee applications, Solomon's professionals (a) shall be required only to maintain reasonably detailed summary time records of services rendered to the Debtors in one-half hour increments, which time records shall (i) be kept on a project-category basis, (ii) provide a brief description of the nature of the work performed, and (iii) indicate the total hours incurred by each professional; but (b) shall not be required to provide or conform to any schedule of hourly rates.

4. The fees and expenses payable to Solomon pursuant to the Engagement Letter shall be subject to review pursuant to the standards set forth in section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and shall not be subject to the standard of review set forth in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, except by the U.S. Trustee, who, for the avoidance of doubt, shall retain all rights to respond or object to Solomon's interim and final fee applications on all grounds, including, but not limited to, reasonableness pursuant to section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

5. In accordance with the terms and provisions of the Engagement Letter, the Debtors shall promptly reimburse Solomon for all reasonable expenses incurred by Solomon and the reasonable fees of and expenses incurred by any outside counsel retained by Solomon; *provided* that, in the event that Solomon seeks reimbursement from the Debtors for the fees of and expenses incurred by its outside counsel pursuant to the Engagement Letter, the invoices and supporting time records for such fees and expenses shall be included in Solomon's own applications (both interim and final) for compensation and reimbursement filed with the Court, and such invoices and time records shall be subject to the U.S. Trustee Guidelines and the approval of the Court pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, without regard to whether such counsel has been retained under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code.

6. The Indemnification Provisions set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> to the Engagement Letter are

approved; subject during the pendency of these chapter 11 cases to the following modifications:

- a. Indemnified Parties (as that term is defined in <u>Exhibit A</u> to the Engagement Letter) shall not be entitled to indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement pursuant to the Engagement Letter for claim arising from services other than the services provided under the Engagement Letter, unless such services and the indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement therefor are approved by this Court;
- b. notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Engagement Letter, the Debtors shall have no obligation to indemnify any person or entity or provide contribution or reimbursement to any person or entity for any claim or expense that is either (i) judicially determined (the determination having become final) to have arisen from that person's or entity's gross negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith, or (ii) for a contractual dispute in which the Debtors allege breach of the obligations of Solomon or another Indemnified Party under the Engagement Letter unless this Court determines that indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement would be permissible pursuant to In re United Artists Theatre Co., 315 F.3d 217 (3d Cir. 2003) or (iii) settled prior to a judicial determination as to sub-clauses (i) or (ii) above, but determined by this Court, after notice and a hearing, to be a claim or expense for which that person should not receive indemnity, contribution, or reimbursement under the terms of the Engagement Letter as modified by this Order;
- c. if, during the pendency of these chapter 11 cases, the indemnification provided in Exhibit A to the Engagement Letter is held unenforceable by reason of the exclusions set forth in paragraph (b) above, and Solomon or another Indemnified Party makes a claim for the payment of any amounts by the Debtors on account of the Debtors' contribution obligations, then the limitations on all Indemnified Parties' contribution obligations set forth in the clause beginning with "provided, however" within the first sentence of the fourth paragraph of Exhibit A shall not apply; and
- d. if, before the earlier of (i) the entry of an order confirming a chapter 11 plan in these chapter 11 cases (that order having become a final order no longer subject to appeal) and (ii) the entry of an order closing these chapter 11 cases, Solomon or

another Indemnified Party believes that it is entitled to the payment of any amounts by the Debtors on account of the Debtors' indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement obligations under the Engagement Letter (as modified by this Order), including, without limitation, the advancement of defense costs, Solomon must file an application before this Court and the Debtors may not pay any such amounts before the entry of an order by this Court approving the payment; provided, however, that for the avoidance of doubt, this subparagraph (d) is intended only to specify the period of time under which this Court shall have jurisdiction over any request for fees and expenses for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement and not a provision limiting the duration of the Debtors' obligation to indemnify Solomon or any other Indemnified Party. All parties in interest, including the U.S. Trustee, shall retain the right to object to any request for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement by Solomon or any other Indemnified Party.

7. Notwithstanding anything in the Application or the Engagement Letter to the contrary, for the avoidance of doubt, the Bankruptcy Court shall have jurisdiction over any and all matters arising under or in connection with Solomon's engagement by the Debtors on behalf of the Debtors and the Engagement Letter, including the Indemnification Provisions.

8. Solomon shall use reasonable efforts to avoid any duplication of services provided by any of the Debtors' other retained professionals in these chapter 11 cases.

9. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between the terms of the Application,

the Engagement Letter, or this Order, the terms of this Order shall govern.

10. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Application.

11. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

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

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

Houston, Texas Dated: _____, 2020

> DAVID R. JONES UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE