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

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In re:	Š	Chapter 11
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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., <sup>1</sup>	§	Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ)
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Reorganized Debtor.	§	
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## APPELLANT'S AMENDED DESIGNATION OF ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD ON APPEAL AND STATEMENT OF THE ISSUES PRESENTED

Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 8009(a) and Docket No. 4366, Appellant Patrick Daugherty ("Daugherty") hereby submits his amended designation of items to be included in the record on appeal and statement of issues to be presented in connection with his appeal from the *Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. § 363 Approving Settlement Between the Highland Entities and the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith* [Docket

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Highland's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (8357). The headquarters and service address for Highland is 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850, Dallas, TX 75201.



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No. 4297] (the "<u>HMIT Settlement Order</u>").<sup>2</sup> See Notice of Appeal [Docket No. 4310, as amended at Docket No. 4327].

#### **Statement of Issues on Appeal**

- 1. Whether the Bankruptcy Court erred in its approval of the HMIT Settlement Order [Docket No. 4297], which permits payment to Class 10 creditors before all Class 8 and Class 9 claims have been paid in full when the plain language of the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P. [Dkt. 1808], the Court's Confirmation Order [Dkt. 1943] and the Claimant Trust Agreement [Dkt. 3817-4] require full payment plus applicable interest to all Class 8 and Class 9 creditors before any Class 10 or Class 11 claims can yest.
- 2. Whether the Bankruptcy Court abused its discretion by approving the HMIT Settlement Order [Docket No. 4297] when the settlement is not fair, reasonable, or in the best interests of the estate as the Debtor, through its principals, is forgoing the recovery of millions in material value to the estate in exchange for, inter alia, self-serving releases of its principals.

#### **Designation of Record**

Daugherty respectfully designates the following items to be included in the appellate record pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 8009(a):

- 1. Amended Notice of Appeal for Bankruptcy Case No. 19-34054-sgj11 [Dkt. 4327].
- 2. Notice of Appeal for Bankruptcy Case No. 19-34054-sgj11 [Dkt. 4310].
- 3. The Judgment Order or Decree appealed from: Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. § 363 Approving Settlement Between the Highland Entities and the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith [Docket No. 4297].
- 4. Docket Sheet for Bankruptcy Case No. 19-34054-sgj1 kept by the Bankruptcy Clerk.
- 5. Documents listed below for Bankruptcy Case No. 19-34054-sgj11:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the HMIT Settlement Order.

Date	Docket	Description
11/18/2020	<u>1426</u>	Transcript regarding Hearing Held 11/17/2020 (90 pages) RE: Motion for Temporary Allowance of Claim (#1281). THIS TRANSCRIPT WILL BE MADE ELECTRONICALLY AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC 90 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF FILING. TRANSCRIPT RELEASE DATE IS 02/16/2021. Until that time the transcript may be viewed at the Clerk's Office or a copy may be obtained from the official court transcriber. Court Reporter/Transcriber Kathy Rehling, kathyrehlingtranscripts@gmail.com, Telephone number 972-786-3063. (RE: related document(s) 1422 Hearing held on 11/17/2020. (RE: related document(s) 1281 Motion for leave - Daugherty's Motion for Temporary Allowance of Claim for Voting Purposes Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3018 filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty) (Appearances: T. Uebler, J. Christensen, and J. Kathman for P. Daugherty; J. Morris and J. Pomeranz for Debtor; M. Clemente for UCC. Evidentiary hearing. Claim estimated for voting purposes at \$9,134,019 for reasons stated on the record. Counsel to upload order.)). Transcript to be made available to the public on 02/16/2021. (Rehling, Kathy)
05/19/2025	<u>4216</u>	Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith (Filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A-Proposed Order)
05/19/2025	<u>4217</u>	Declaration of Gregory V. Demo in Support of Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith (filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust) (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith)). (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1) (Annable, Zachery)
05/20/2025	<u>4218</u>	Notice of hearing filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust (RE: related document(s) 4213 Motion to extend time to (Motion for an Order Further Extending Duration of Trusts) (RE: related document(s) 4144 Order on motion to extend/shorten time) Filed by Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust, Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A # 2 Exhibit B), 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith) Filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit AProposed Order)). Hearing to be held on 6/25/2025 at 09:30 AM at https://us-courts.webex.com/meet/jerniga for 4213 and for 4216, (Annable, Zachery)

Date	Docket	Description
Date	Docket	Description
05/22/2025	<u>4221</u>	Amended Notice of hearing filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust (RE: related document(s) 4213 Motion to extend time to (Motion for an Order Further Extending Duration of Trusts) (RE: related document(s) 4144 Order on motion to extend/shorten time) Filed by Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust, Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A # 2 Exhibit B), 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith) Filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit AProposed Order)). Hearing to be held on 6/25/2025 at 09:30 AM at https://us-courts.webex.com/meet/jerniga for 4213 and for 4216, (Annable, Zachery)
06/09/2025	<u>4229</u>	Objection to (related document(s): 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith) filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust) (filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order) (York, Andrew)

Date	Docket	Description
06/20/2025	4255	Witness and Exhibit List filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith)). (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1 # 2 Exhibit 2 # 3 Exhibit 3 # 4 Exhibit 4 # 5 Exhibit 5 # 6 Exhibit 6 # 7 Exhibit 7 # 8 Exhibit 8 # 9 Exhibit 14 # 15 Exhibit 10 # 11 Exhibit 11 # 12 Exhibit 12 # 13 Exhibit 13 # 14 Exhibit 14 # 15 Exhibit 15 # 16 Exhibit 16 # 17 Exhibit 17 # 18 Exhibit 18 # 19 Exhibit 19 # 20 Exhibit 20 # 21 Exhibit 21 # 22 Exhibit 26 # 27 Exhibit 27 # 28 Exhibit 28 # 29 Exhibit 29 # 30 Exhibit 30 # 31 Exhibit 31 # 32 Exhibit 32 # 33 Exhibit 33 # 34 Exhibit 38 # 39 Exhibit 39 # 40 Exhibit 40 # 41 Exhibit 41 # 42 Exhibit 42 # 43 Exhibit 43 # 44 Exhibit 44 # 45 Exhibit 45 # 46 Exhibit 46 # 47 Exhibit 47 # 48 Exhibit 44 # 45 Exhibit 45 # 46 Exhibit 50 # 51 Exhibit 51 # 52 Exhibit 52 # 53 Exhibit 53 # 54 Exhibit 52 # 53 Exhibit 53 # 54 Exhibit 56 # 57 Exhibit 57 # 58 Exhibit 50 # 51 Exhibit 51 # 52 Exhibit 60 # 61 Exhibit 61 # 62 Exhibit 66 # 67 Exhibit 67 # 68 Exhibit 68 # 69 Exhibit 69 # 70 Exhibit 70 # 71 Exhibit 71 # 72 Exhibit 72 # 73 Exhibit 73 # 74 Exhibit 70 # 71 Exhibit 71 # 72 Exhibit 70 # 77 Exhibit 77 # 78 Exhibit 78 # 79 Exhibit 79 # 80 Exhibit 88 # 89 Exhibit 89 # 90 Exhibit 69 # 90 Exhibit 60 # 101 Exhibit 101 # 102 Exhibit 102 # 103 Exhibit 103 # 104 Exhibit 104 # 105 Exhibit 101 # 102 Exhibit 104 # 11 Exhibit 110 # 111 Exhibit 110 # 111 Exhibit 110 # 112 Exhibit 110 # 112 Exhibit 110 # 112 Exhibit 110 # 113 Exhibit 110 # 114 Exhibit 110 # 115 Exhibit 110 # 116 Exhibit 110 # 117 Exhibit 110 # 111 Exhibit 110 # 112 Exhibit 110 # 120 Exhibit 110 # 121 Exhibit 110 # 120 Exhibit 110 # 121 Exhibit 110 # 120 Exhibit 110 # 121 Exhibit 110 # 121 Exhibit 110 # 121 Exhibit 110 #
06/20/2025	4256	Witness and Exhibit List filed by Creditor Hunter Mountain Investment Trust (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith)). (Phillips, Louis)

Date	Docket	Description
06/23/2025	4266	Witness and Exhibit List of Patrick Daugherty filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith)). (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1 # 2 Exhibit 2 # 3 Exhibit 3 # 4 Exhibit 4 # 5 Exhibit 5 # 6 Exhibit 6 # 7 Exhibit 7 # 8 List of 20 Largest Creditors 8 # 9 Exhibit 13 # 14 Exhibit 10 # 11 Exhibit 11 # 12 Exhibit 12 # 13 Exhibit 13 # 14 Exhibit 14 # 15 Exhibit 15 # 16 Exhibit 16 # 17 Exhibit 17 # 18 Exhibit 18 # 19 Exhibit 19 # 20 Exhibit 20 # 21 Exhibit 21 # 22 Exhibit 22 # 23 Exhibit 23 # 24 Exhibit 24 # 25 Exhibit 25 # 26 Exhibit 26 # 27 Exhibit 27 # 28 Exhibit 28 # 29 Exhibit 29 # 30 Exhibit 30 # 31 Exhibit 31 # 32 Exhibit 32 # 33 Exhibit 33 # 34 List of 20 Largest Creditors 34 # 35 Exhibit 35 # 36 List of 20 Largest Creditors 36 # 37 Exhibit 37 # 38 Exhibit 38 # 39 Exhibit 39 # 40 Exhibit 40 # 41 Exhibit 41 # 42 Exhibit 42) (York, Andrew)
06/23/2025	<u>4275</u>	Omnibus Reply to (related document(s): 4229 Objection filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty, 4230 Objection filed by Partner Dugaboy Investment Trust, 4231 Objection filed by Interested Party The Dallas Foundation, Interested Party Crown Global Life Insurance, Ltd) filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust. (Annable, Zachery)
06/23/2025	<u>4276</u>	Joinder by to Reply in Support of Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. § 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith filed by Creditor Hunter Mountain Investment Trust (RE: related document(s) 4275 Reply). (Phillips, Louis)
06/24/2025	<u>4277</u>	Amended Witness and Exhibit List filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (RE: related document(s) 4255 List (witness/exhibit/generic)). (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 124 # 2 Exhibit 125) (Annable, Zachery)
06/24/2025	<u>4280</u>	Amended Witness and Exhibit List (Highland Capital Management, L.P., Highland Claimant Trust, and Litigation Sub-Trust Second Amended Witness and Exhibit List with Respect to Hearing to Be Held on June 25, 2025) filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (RE: related document(s) 4255 List (witness/exhibit/generic), 4277 List (witness/exhibit/generic)). (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 126) (Annable, Zachery)
06/25/2025	<u>4293</u>	Court admitted exhibits date of hearing June 25, 2025 (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith) Filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (Court Admitted Debtors Exhibits #1 through #9; #11 through #56 & #58 through #123 & #126 offered by attorney John Morris; Court Also Admitted Patrick Daugherty Exhibits #1 through #42 offered by attorney Drew K. York: Court also admitted Dugaboy Investment Trust Exhibit #3, which was a letter offered by attorney Michael J. Lang.) (Edmond, Michael) Modified on 6/30/2025 (emi). Modified on 6/30/2025 (emi).

Date	Docket	Description
06/30/2025	<u>4296</u>	Transcript regarding Hearing Held 06/25/2025 before Judge Stacy G.C. Jernigan (266 pages) RE: Motion for an Order Further Extending Duration of Trusts (4213); Motion for Entry of an Order Approving Settlement with HMIT Entities (4216). THIS TRANSCRIPT WILL BE MADE ELECTRONICALLY AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC 90 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF FILING. TRANSCRIPT RELEASE DATE IS 09/29/2025. Until that time the transcript may be viewed at the Clerk's Office or a copy may be obtained from the official court transcriber. Court Reporter/Transcriber Kathy Rehling, kathyrehlingtranscripts@gmail.com, Telephone number 972-786-3063. (RE: related document(s) 4294 Hearing held on 6/25/2025. (RE: related document(s) 4213 Motion to extend time to (Motion for an Order Further Extending Duration of Trusts) (RE: related document(s) 4144 Order on motion to extend/shorten time) Filed by Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust, Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust (Appearances: J. Morris and Pachulski team for Reorganized Debtor; R. Loigman for Post-Confirmation Trusts; D. Deitsch-Perez for Dugaboy; L. Young for UST. Evidentiary hearing. Motion granted. Counsel to upload order.), 4295 Hearing held on 6/25/2025. (RE: related document(s) 4216 Motion to compromise controversy with the HMIT Entities. (Motion for Entry of an Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and 11 U.S.C. 363 Approving Settlement with the HMIT Entities and Authorizing Actions Consistent Therewith) filed by Debtor Highland Capital Management, L.P., Other Professional Highland Claimant Trust, Interested Party Highland Litigation Sub-Trust (Appearances: J. Morris and Pachulski team for Reorganized Debtor; R. Loigman for Post-Confirmation Trusts; L. Phillips for HMIT Entities; M. Lang for Dugaboy; D. Curry for Dallas Foundation; L. Young for UST. Evidentiary hearing. Motion granted. Counsel to upload order.)). Transcript to be made available to the public on 09/29/2025. (Rehling, Kathy)
07/16/2025	4317	Clerk's correspondence requesting to amend notice of appeal from creditor. (RE: related document(s) 4297 Order approving settlement between the Highland Entities and the HMIT Entities and authorizing actions consistent therewith (related document 4216) Entered on 6/30/2025. (Okafor, M.)) Responses due by 7/18/2025. (Whitaker, Sheniqua)
07/22/2025	4336	Certificate of mailing regarding appeal (RE: related document(s) 4327 Amended notice of appeal filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty Related document(s) 4310 Notice of appeal filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty. MODIFIED linkage on 7/17/2025 (suw).) (Attachments: # 1 Service List) (Whitaker, Sheniqua)
07/22/2025	4337	Notice regarding the record for a bankruptcy appeal to the U.S. District Court. (RE: related document(s) 4327 Amended Notice of appeal. Fee Amount \$298 filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty (RE: related document(s) 4297 Order on motion to compromise controversy). Appellant Designation due by 07/28/2025. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A)) (Whitaker, Sheniqua)
07/22/2025	<u>4343</u>	Notice of docketing notice of appeal. Civil Action Number: 3:25-cv-01901-S. (RE: related document(s) 4327 Amended notice of appeal filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty Related document(s) 4310 Notice of appeal filed by Creditor Patrick Daugherty. (RE: related document(s)4297 Order on motion to compromise controversy).) (Almaraz, Jeanette)

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# **Reservation of Rights**

Daugherty expressly reserves the right to amend or supplement this Designation and/or to object, or otherwise supplement or move to strike or modify, some or all of any designations filed by any other party to this appeal. This filing is made expressly subject to, and without waiver, of any and all rights, remedies, challenges and objections.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of August 2025.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing instrument was served on all Parties or counsel of record herein on this 14th day of August 2025, via the CM/ECF system and/or email.

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