# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Chapter 11
Case No. 24-10561 (VFP)
(Jointly Administered)
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NOTICE OF DEADLINE
REQUIRING SUBMISSION OF PROOFS
OF CLAIM ON OR BEFORE APRIL 2, 2024,
AND RELATED PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING PROOFS
OF CLAIM IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED CHAPTER 11 CASES

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' claims and noticing agent at <a href="https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic">https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic</a>. The location of Debtor Careismatic Brands, LLC's principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 1119 Colorado Avenue, Santa Monica, California 90401.

# TO: ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST ANY DEBTOR LISTED ON PAGE 2 AND 3 OF THIS NOTICE IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED CHAPTER 11 CASES.

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "<u>Court</u>") has entered an order (the "<u>Bar Date Order</u>") establishing <u>5:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time on April 2, 2024</u> (the "<u>General Claims Bar Date</u>"),<sup>2</sup> as the last date for each Person or Entity<sup>3</sup> (including individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint ventures, and trusts) to submit proofs of claim (each, a "<u>Proof of Claim</u>") against any of the Debtors listed on page 2 and 3 of this notice (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>").

Except for those holders of the Claims (as defined herein) listed below under "Claims for Which Proofs of Claim Need Not be Filed" that are specifically excluded from the General Claims Bar Date submission requirement, the General Claims Bar Date, the Rejection Damages Bar Date, Administrative Claims Bar Date, the Supplemental Bar Date, and the Governmental Bar Date, (each as defined herein and collectively, the "Bar Dates") and the procedures set forth below for submitting Proofs of Claim apply to all Claims against the Debtors that arose prior to **January 22**, **2024** (the "Petition Date"), the date on which the Debtors commenced cases under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, including parties asserting Claims pursuant to section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code (each, a "503(b)(9) Claim").<sup>4</sup> In addition, Governmental Units have until 5:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time on July 22, 2024 (the "Governmental Bar Date"), to submit Proofs of Claim.

A holder of a possible Claim against the Debtors should consult an attorney regarding any matters not covered by this notice, such as whether the holder should submit a Proof of Claim.

#### **Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases**

Debtor Name	Last Four Digits of Tax Identification Number	Case Number
AllHearts, LLC	5213	24-10565 (VFP)
Careismatic Brands, LLC	5351	24-10561 (VFP)
Careismatic Group II Inc.	8375	24-10567 (VFP)

The Debtors filed the Schedules on March 5, 2024. Any creditors' filed Proof of Claim will supersede any amount listed on the Schedules.

Except as otherwise defined herein, all terms specifically defined in title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code") shall have those meanings ascribed to them by the Bankruptcy Code. In particular, as used herein: (a) the term "Entity" (including individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint ventures, and trusts) has the meaning given to it in section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code; (b) the term "Governmental Unit" has the meaning given to it in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code; and (c) the term "Person" has the meaning given to it in section 101(41) of the Bankruptcy Code.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "503(b)(9) Claims" are Claims for the value of goods received by a Debtor within twenty days before the Petition Date, where such goods were sold to the Debtor in the ordinary course of such Debtor's business. See 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9).

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Debtor Name	Identification Number	Case Number
Careismatic Group Inc.	2366	24-10569 (VFP)
Careismatic, LLC	4565	24-10572 (VFP)
CBI Intermediate, Inc.	0543	24-10575 (VFP)
CBI Midco, Inc.	5728	24-10577 (VFP)
CBI Parent, L.P.	9005	24-10563 (VFP)
Krazy Kat Sportswear LLC	0562	24-10560 (VFP)
Marketplace Impact, LLC	2858	24-10576 (VFP)
Med Couture, LLC	1191	24-10570 (VFP)
Medelita, LLC	2258	24-10574 (VFP)
New Trojan Parent, Inc.	2219	24-10578 (VFP)
Pacoima Limited, LLC	7819	24-10579 (VFP)
Silverts Adaptive, LLC	1976	24-10580 (VFP)
Strategic Distribution, L.P.	7869	24-10581 (VFP)
Strategic General Partners, LLC	5907	24-10562 (VFP)
Strategic Partners Acquisition Corp.	0929	24-10564 (VFP)
Strategic Partners Corp.	9037	24-10566 (VFP)
Strategic Partners Midco, LLC	2662	24-10568 (VFP)
Trojan Buyer, Inc.	8139	24-10571 (VFP)
Trojan Holdco, Inc.	5148	24-10573 (VFP)

#### Who Must Submit a Proof of Claim

You <u>MUST</u> submit a Proof of Claim to vote on a chapter 11 plan filed by the Debtors or to share in distributions from the Debtors' estates if you have a Claim that arose before the Petition Date and it is *not* one of the types of Claims described under the heading "Claims for Which Proofs of Claim Need Not Be Filed" below. Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtors that occurred before the Petition Date must be submitted on or prior to the applicable Bar Date, even if such Claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before the Petition Date.

Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code and as used in this notice, "Claim" means: (a) a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) a right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured.

#### What to Submit

The Debtors are enclosing a Proof of Claim form for use in the cases. If your Claim is scheduled by the Debtors, the form indicates the amount of your Claim as scheduled by the Debtors, the specific Debtor against which the Claim is scheduled, and whether the Claim is scheduled as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated. You will receive a different Proof of Claim Form for each Claim scheduled in your name by the Debtors. You may utilize the Proof of Claim Form(s) provided by the Debtors to submit your Claim.

Your Proof of Claim Form must not contain complete social security numbers or taxpayer identification numbers (only the last four digits), a complete birth date (only the year), the name of a minor (only the minor's initials) or a financial account number (only the last four digits of such financial account).

Additional Proof of Claim Forms may be obtained by contacting the Debtors' notice and claims agent, Donlin, Recano & Company Inc ("<u>DRC</u>" or the "<u>Notice and Claims Agent</u>"), by calling (800) 416-3743 for callers in the United States or by calling (212) 481-1411 for callers outside the United States and/or visiting the Debtors' restructuring website at: https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic.

The following procedures for the submission of Proofs of Claim against the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases shall apply:

- a. *Contents*. Each Proof of Claim must: (i) be written in English; (ii) be denominated in U.S. Dollars using, if applicable, the exchange rate as of 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the Petition Date (and to the extent such claim is converted to United States dollars, state the rate used in such conversion); (iii) conform substantially with a Proof of Claim Form provided by the Debtors or the Official Form 410; and (iv) be signed or electronically transmitted through the interface available on DRC's website at <a href="https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic">https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic</a> by the claimant or by an authorized agent or legal representative of the claimant;
- b. Section 503(b)(9) Claim. In addition to the requirements set forth above, any Proof of Claim asserting a 503(b)(9) Claim must also: (i) include the value of the goods delivered to and received by the Debtors in the twenty days prior to the Petition Date; (ii) attach documentation of the date on which the goods were delivered to and received by the Debtors; (iii) attach any documentation identifying the particular invoices for which the 503(b)(9) Claim is being asserted; (iv) attach documentation of any reclamation demand made to any Debtor under section 546(c) of the Bankruptcy Code (if applicable); and (v) set forth whether any portion of the 503(b)(9) Claim was satisfied by payments made by the Debtors pursuant to any order of the Court authorizing the Debtors to pay prepetition Claims;
- c. **Receipt of Service**. Claimants submitting a Proof of Claim through nonelectronic means who wish to receive a proof of receipt of their Proofs of Claim from the Notice and Claims Agent must also include with their Proof of Claim a copy of their Proof of Claim and a self-addressed, stamped envelope;
- d. *Identification of the Debtor Entity*. Each Proof of Claim must specify by name and case number the Debtor against which the Claim is submitted by selecting the applicable Debtor at the top of a proposed Proof of Claim Form. A Proof of Claim submitted under Case No. 24-10561 (VFP) or that

does not identify a Debtor will be deemed as submitted only against Careismatic Brands, LLC. A Proof of Claim that names a subsidiary Debtor but is submitted under Case No. 24-10561 (VFP) will be treated as having been submitted against the subsidiary Debtor with a notation that a discrepancy in the submission exists. The failure to select the correct Debtor on the Proof of Claim Form shall not be a basis to object to the allowability of the Claim, provided that the asserted Claim otherwise complies with the terms of this Notice;

- e. *Claim Against Multiple Debtor Entities*. Each Proof of Claim must state a Claim against only one Debtor and clearly indicate the Debtor against which the Claim is asserted. To the extent more than one Debtor is listed on the Proof of Claim, such Claim may be treated as if filed only against Careismatic Brands, LLC; and
- f. Supporting Documentation. Each Proof of Claim must include supporting documentation in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d). If, however, such documentation is voluminous, such Proof of Claim may include a summary of such documentation or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available; provided that any creditor shall be required to transmit such supporting documentation to Debtors' counsel upon request no later than ten days from the date of such request.

#### When and Where to Submit

Each Proof of Claim, including supporting documentation, must be submitted so that the Notice and Claims Agent *actually receives* the Proof of Claim on or before the applicable Bar Date by: (i) electronically using the interface available on the Notice and Claims Agent's website at https://www.donlinrecano.com/Clients/cbi/FileClaim, or (ii) first-class U.S. Mail, which Proof of Claim must include an *original* signature, at the following address: Donlin, Recano & Company, Inc., Re: Careismatic Brands, LLC, *et al.*, P.O. Box 2053, New York, New York 10272-2042, or (iii) overnight mail, or other hand-delivery system, which Proof of Claim must include an original signature, at the following address: Donlin, Recano & Company, Inc., c/o Equiniti Re: Careismatic Brands, LLC, *et al.*, 48 Wall Street, 22nd floor, New York, New York 10005.

PROOFS OF CLAIM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL, BY HAND DELIVERY, OR THROUGH DRC'S WEBSITE.

PROOFS OF CLAIM
SUBMITTED BY FACSIMILE OR EMAIL WILL NOT BE
ACCEPTED AND WILL NOT BE DEEMED TIMELY SUBMITTED.

#### **Claims for Which Proofs of Claim Need Not Be Filed**

Persons or Entities need *not* submit a Proof of Claim on behalf of a Claim in these chapter 11 cases on or prior to the applicable Bar Date if the Claim falls into one of the following categories:

- a. any Claim that has already been asserted in a Proof of Claim against the Debtors with the Notice and Claims Agent in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 (unless such person or entity wishes to assert a Claim against a Debtor not identified in the prior Proof of Claim, in which case an additional Proof of Claim must be filed);
- b. any Claim that is listed on the schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs (collectively, the "Schedules") filed by the Debtors, provided that (i) the Claim is **not** scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated"; (ii) the claimant does not disagree with the amount, nature, and priority of the Claim as set forth in the Schedules; and (iii) the claimant does not dispute that the Claim is an obligation only of the specific Debtor against which the Claim is listed in the Schedules;
- c. any Claim that has previously been allowed by order of this Court;
- d. any Claim that has already been paid in full by any of the Debtors;
- e. any Claim for which a different deadline has previously been fixed by this Court;
- f. any Claim held by a Debtor against another Debtor or any of the non-Debtor subsidiaries (whether direct or indirect) of Careismatic Brands, LLC;
- g. any Person or Entity that holds an equity interest in the Debtors, which interest is based exclusively upon the ownership of common or preferred stock, membership interests, partnership interests, warrants, options, or rights of purchase, or who sell or subscribe to such a security or interest; provided that any holder of an equity interest in the Debtors who wishes to assert a Claim (as opposed to an ownership interest) against the Debtors (including a Claim relating to such equity interest or the purchase or sale of such equity interest), must file a Proof of Claim on or before the applicable Bar Date;
- h. any Claim held by a current employee of the Debtors if an order of the Court authorizes the Debtors to honor such Claim in the ordinary course of business as a wage, commission, or benefit; *provided*, *however*, that a current or former employee must submit a Proof of Claim by the General Claims Bar Date for all other Claims arising before the Petition Date, including Claims for wrongful termination, discrimination, harassment, hostile work environment, and retaliation;

- i. any Professional Compensation Claim;<sup>5</sup>
- j. any Claim held by a current officer or director for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement;
- k. any Person or Entity that is exempt from filing a Proof of Claim pursuant to an order of the Court in these chapter 11 cases, including the Prepetition Secured Parties and DIP Secured Parties (as defined in the Interim Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to Obtain Postpetition Financing, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Use Cash Collateral, (III) Granting Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (IV) Granting Adequate Protection, (V) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (VI) Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (VII) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 60] and any amended or final order entered by the Court in respect thereof); and
- 1. any Claim held by any Person or Entity solely against a non-Debtor entity.

THIS NOTICE IS BEING SENT TO MANY PERSONS AND ENTITIES THAT HAVE HAD SOME RELATIONSHIP WITH OR HAVE DONE BUSINESS WITH THE DEBTORS BUT MAY NOT HAVE AN UNPAID CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTORS. THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM OR THAT THE DEBTORS OR THE COURT BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE ANY CLAIM.

# **Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases**

If you have a Claim arising from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease, you must submit your Proof of Claim based on such rejection on or before the later of (a) the General Claims Bar Date or the Governmental Bar Date, as applicable, and (b) 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the date that is thirty (30) days following entry of the order approving the Debtors' rejection of the applicable executory contract or unexpired lease (the "Rejection Damages Bar Date"). The Debtors will provide notice of the Rejection Damages Bar Date to the contract or lease counterparty whose contract or lease is being rejected at the time the Debtors reject any executory contract or unexpired lease. For the avoidance of doubt, counterparties to

<sup>&</sup>quot;Professional Compensation Claims" means, at any given moment, all Claims for accrued fees and expenses (including success fees) for services rendered by a Professional (as defined herein) through and including the effective date of any confirmed plan, to the extent such fees and expenses have not been paid pursuant to any other order of the Court and regardless of whether a fee application has been filed for such fees and expenses. To the extent the Court denies or reduces by a final order any amount of a Professional's fees or expenses, then the amount by which such fees or expenses are reduced or denied shall reduce the applicable Professional Compensation Claim.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Professional" means an Entity: (a) retained in these chapter 11 cases pursuant to a final order in accordance with sections 327, 328, 363, or 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code and to be compensated for services rendered and expenses incurred before or on the confirmation date, pursuant to sections 327, 328, 329, 330, 363, or 331 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (b) awarded compensation and reimbursement by the Court pursuant to section 503(b)(4) of the Bankruptcy Code.

unexpired leases of non-residential real property shall not be required to file prepetition claims against any of the Debtors unless and until the applicable lease is rejected by the Debtors.

#### **Amended Schedules Bar Date**

In the event the Debtors amend or supplement their Schedules, the Debtors shall give notice of any such amendment to the holders of any Claim affected thereby, and such holders shall submit their Claims by the later of (a) the applicable Bar Date and (b) 5:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time on the date that is thirty (30) calendar days after such person or entity is served with notice that the Debtor has amended its Schedules in a manner that affects such Person or Entity (any such date, the "Amended Schedules Bar Date").

### **Administrative Claims Bar Date**

If you have an Administrative Expense Claim for costs and expenses of administration of the estates pursuant to 503(b), other than section 503(b)(9), or 507(a)(2), you must submit your Proof of Claim by (a) **5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time on April 2, 2024** for Claims incurred through March 23, 2024, (b) for all Claims arising after March 23, 2024, the earlier of: (i) the 15th day of the month following the month in which the Claim arose, and (ii) fourteen days following the effective date of any confirmed plan (the "Administrative Claims Bar Date").

#### **The Debtors' Schedules and Access Thereto**

You may be listed as the holder of a Claim against one or more of the Debtors in the Debtors' Schedules.

Copies of the Debtors' Schedules are available: (a) from the Notice and Claims Agent by calling (800) 416-3743 for callers in the United States or by calling (212) 481-1411 for callers outside the United States and/or visiting the Debtors' restructuring website at: <a href="https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic">https://www.donlinrecano.com/careismatic</a>; (b) by written request to Debtors' counsel at the address and telephone number set forth below; and/or (c) for inspection on the Court's Internet Website at <a href="http://ecf.njb.uscourts.gov">http://ecf.njb.uscourts.gov</a>. A login and password to the Court's Public Access to Electronic Court Records are required to access this information and can be obtained at <a href="http://www.pacer.psc.uscourts.gov">http://www.pacer.psc.uscourts.gov</a>. Copies of the Schedules may also be examined between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Building, 50 Walnut Street, Newark, NJ 07102.

If you rely on the Debtors' Schedules, it is your responsibility to determine that the Claim is accurately listed in the Schedules.

As set forth above, if you agree with the nature, amount, and classification of your Claim as listed in the Debtors' Schedules, and if you do not dispute that your Claim is only against the Debtor specified by the Debtors, and if your Claim is **not** described as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated," **you need not submit a Proof of Claim**. Otherwise, or if you decide to submit a Proof of Claim, you must do so before the applicable Bar Date in accordance with the procedures set forth in this notice.

#### **Reservation of Rights**

Nothing contained in this Bar Date Notice is intended, or should be construed, as a waiver of the Debtors' right to: (a) dispute, or assert offsets or defenses against, any submitted Proof of Claim or any Claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to the nature, amount, liability, or classification of such Claims; (b) subsequently designate any scheduled Claim as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated; and (c) otherwise amend or supplement the Schedules.

#### Consequences of Failure to Submit a Proof of Claim by the Applicable Bar Date

ANY HOLDER OF A CLAIM THAT IS NOT LISTED IN THIS NOTICE AS A CLAIM EXCEPTED FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BAR DATE ORDER AND THAT FAILS TO TIMELY SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM WILL BE FOREVER BARRED, ESTOPPED, AND ENJOINED FROM (1) VOTING ON ANY CHAPTER 11 PLAN FILED IN THESE CHAPTER 11 CASES ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM, (2) PARTICIPATING IN ANY DISTRIBUTION IN THESE CHAPTER 11 CASES ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM, AND (3) RECEIVING FURTHER NOTICES REGARDING SUCH CLAIM. SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY SHALL NOT BE TREATED AS A CREDITOR WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM FOR ANY PURPOSE IN THESE CHAPTER 11 CASES.

Dated: March 8, 2024

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