IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

UNITED STATES SECURITIES	§	
AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,	§	
	§ §	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
v.	§ §	
THE HEARTLAND GROUP VENTURES, LLC;	§	
HEARTLAND PRODUCTION AND RECOVERY	§	
LLC; HEARTLAND PRODUCTION AND	§	
RECOVERY FUND LLC; HEARTLAND	§	
PRODUCTION AND RECOVERY FUND II LLC;	§	
THE HEARTLAND GROUP FUND III, LLC;	§	
HEARTLAND DRILLING FUND I, LP; CARSON	§	
OIL FIELD DEVELOPMENT FUND II, LP;	§	
ALTERNATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS, LLC;	§ §	
ARCOOIL CORP[.]; BARRON PETROLEUM		
LLC; DODSON PRAIRIE OIL & GAS LLC;	§	
PANTHER CITY ENERGY LLC; and	§	Civil No. 4:21-cv-1310-O
ENCYPHER BASTION, LLC	§	
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Defendants,	§	
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and	§	
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IGROUP ENTERPRISES LLC; MURATORE	§	
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.; BARRON	§ §	
ENERGY CORPORATION; DALLAS		
RESOURCES INC[.]; LEADING EDGE	§	
ENERGY, LLC; SAHOTA CAPITAL LLC; and	§	
1178137 BC LTD,	§	
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Relief Defendants.	§	
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ORDER

Before the Court is the Application to Employ Law Practice of Darrell R. Jones, PLLC as

Counsel to Receiver Effective December 2, 2021 (ECF No. 22), filed by Receiver Deborah D.

Williamson on December 7, 2021.

On December 3, 2021, Receiver filed an application to employ her firm, Dykema Gossett,

to assist her in all "Receivership Issues." App. Dykema 4-5, ECF No. 18. She explained that

Dykema—with more than 375 attorneys nationwide—has "considerable expertise in

[receivership] matters" and is well-qualified in "insolvency, financial restructuring, oil and gas,

distressed reorganization, bankruptcy, and debtor-creditor rights." *Id.* at 6. The Receiver assured

the Court that employing Dykema "makes business sense and is in the best interest of the Estates"

on the basis of efficiency and cost-effectiveness. Id. at 5. Accordingly, the Court approved

Dykema's application on December 6. ECF No. 19.

Receiver filed two more applications to employ additional counsel: Rose L. Romero and

Darrell R. Jones. ECF Nos. 21–22. The Court had previously appointed Romero and has entered

an Order approving her application. See ECF No. 21, 24. Jones's application states that his practice

focuses on bankruptcy and oil, gas, and energy resources. ECF No. 22. Without more, it is unclear

to the Court that Jones will provide representation that Romero and the Dykema attorneys cannot.

Accordingly, Receiver is **ORDERED** to file additional information regarding Jones's

application, explaining why Romero and Dykema's representation is insufficient.

SO ORDERED on this 8th day of December, 2021.

Reed O'Connor

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE