

**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, *et al.*,**

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-01310-O-BP

ORDER

Before the Court are Movant John Rogers’s Motion to Lift Stay (ECF No. 272) and Receiver’s Application to Employ Bankruptcy Management Solutions Inc. d/b/a Stretto (“Stretto”) as Claims and Disbursement Agent with Brief in Support (ECF No. 302). The Court conducted a hearing yesterday on the Motions. After considering the Motions, any responsive pleadings, and the arguments of counsel at the hearing, the Court enters the following order.

Rogers **SHALL FILE** any supplement to his briefing for the Motion to Lift Stay on or before **February 7, 2023**. The Receiver shall file any response to the supplemental filing on or before **February 24, 2023**.

The Receiver’s Application to Employ Stretto is **APPROVED**. The Court finds that: (i) it has subject matter jurisdiction over the Application; (ii) it has personal jurisdiction over the Receivership Parties; (iii) Stretto (a) does not represent or hold any interests adverse to the Receivership Parties or the Estates and (b) is disinterested and not otherwise disqualified from representing the Receiver; (iv) the Receiver’s employment of Stretto under the scope outlined in the Application is in the best interests of the Estates; (v) proper and adequate notice of the

Application has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; (vi) no objections to the Application were filed with this Court; and (viii) the Receiver has shown good, sufficient, and sound business purpose and justification for the relief requested in the Application, and that, after due deliberation thereon, good and sufficient cause exists for approving the relief requested in the Application. Therefore, pursuant to the Receivership Order, the Receiver is authorized to employ and retain Stretto as claims and disbursement agent in accordance with the compensation terms detailed in the Application effective as of December 14, 2022.

Moreover, Stretto shall file applications for the approval of compensation of its fees and expenses on an interim and final basis in compliance with the Court's Receivership Order, the local rules of this Court, and such other procedures that may be fixed by an order of this Court. This Court shall have sole and exclusive authority to hear and decide any controversy or dispute regarding Stretto's engagement by the Receiver.

It is so **ORDERED** on February 10, 2023.



Hal R. Ray, Jr.
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE