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

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND	§	
EXCHANGE COMMISSION,	§	
	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
V.	§	Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-01310-O
	§	
THE HEARTLAND GROUP	§	
VENTURES, LLC, et al.,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

Before the Court is the Unopposed Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Defendant Roger Sahota and Relief Defendants Harprit Sahota, Sunny Sahota, and Monrose Sahota. ECF No. 206. Counsel Jeffrey J. Ansley, J. Kevin Edmundson, and Jesse Z. Weiss wish to withdraw. *Id.* at 1-2. Local Civil Rule 83.12 provides:

ORDER

[A]n attorney desiring to withdraw in any case must file a motion to withdraw. This motion must, in addition to the matters required by LR 7.1, specify the reasons requiring withdrawal and provide the name and address of the succeeding attorney. If the succeeding attorney is not known, the motion must set forth the name, address, and telephone number of the client and either bear the client's signature approving withdrawal or state specifically why, after due diligence, the attorney was unable to obtain the client's signature.

Loc. Civ. R. 83.12(a). Other than stating the requested withdrawal "is not sought to delay these proceedings" and that neither the Plaintiff nor Receiver oppose (ECF No. 206 at 1), the Motion does not specify affirmatively the reasons requiring withdrawal. *See* Loc. Civ. R. 83.12(a). It is also unclear whether Ansley, Edmundson, or Weiss represent any of the entities involved in this matter and, if so, whether they intend to continue representing those entities.

Further, the record reflects Ansley, Edmundson, and Weiss are the only counsel for Defendant Roger Sahota and the Sahota Relief Defendants. Because the Motion does not indicate

any "succeeding attorney," it must also contain the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and approval signatures of each client these attorneys represent. *See* ECF No. 206; Loc. Civ. R. 83.12(a). These items are also missing.

Accordingly, the Motion (ECF No. 206) is **DENIED without prejudice** to its refiling upon addressing the above-noted items.

It is so **ORDERED** on May 26, 2022.

Hal R. Ray, Jr.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE