UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARTIN TROTT and CHRISTOPHER SMITH, as Joint Official Liquidators and Foreign Representatives of PLATINUM PARTNERS VALUE ARBITRAGE FUND L.P. (in Official Liquidation), et ano.,

Plaintiffs,

- against -

PLATINUM MANAGEMENT (NY) LLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-10936-JSR

ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

The motion of Richard A. Bixter Jr., for admission to practice pro hac vice in the abovecaptioned action is granted.

Applicant has declared that he is a member in good standing of the bar of the state of Illinois; and that his contact information is as follows:

Applicant's Name: Richard A. Bixter Jr.

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Applicant having requested admission pro hac vice to appear for all purposes as counsel for Plaintiffs Martin Trott and Christopher Smith, as Joint Official Liquidators and Foreign Representatives of Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund L.P. (in Official Liquidation) and for Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund L.P. (in Official Liquidation) in the above entitled action;

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Applicant is admitted to practice pro hac vice in the above-captioned case in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

All attorneys appearing before this Court are subject to the Local Rules of this Court, including the Rules governing discipline of attorneys.

Dated: 2 5 19

HONORABLE JED S. RAKOFF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE Case 1:18-cv-10936-JSR Document 218 Filed 02/06/19 Page 3 of 8 Case 1:18-cv-10936-JSR Document 171 Filed 02/01/19 Page 1 of 2

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MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

Pursuant to rule 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, Richard A Bixter Jr. hereby moves this Court for an Order for admission to practice *pro hac vice* to appear as counsel for Plaintiffs Martin Trott and Christopher Smith, as Joint Official Liquidators and Foreign Representatives of Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund, L.P. (in Official Liquidation) and for Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund L.P. (in Official Liquidation), in the above captioned action.

I am in good standing of the bar of the state of Illinois and there are no pending disciplinary proceedings against me in any state or federal court. I have never been convicted of a felony. I have never been censured, suspended, disbarred or denied admission or readmission by any court. I have attached the affidavit pursuant to Local Rule 1.3.

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Dated: January 31, 2019 New York, New York Respectfully Submitted,

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AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD A.
BIXTER JR. IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO
HAC VICE

AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD A. BIXTER JR.

- I, Richard A. Bixter Jr., the undersigned, declare and say as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney of the law firm of Holland & Knight LLP, attorneys of record for Plaintiffs Martin Trott and Christopher Smith, as Joint Official Liquidators and Foreign Representatives of Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund, L.P. (in Official Liquidation) and for Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund L.P. (in Official Liquidation). I have direct and personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and, if called upon and sworn to testify, I could and would testify competently to the truth of the matters as set forth herein. I make this Affidavit in support of the concurrently-filed Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice (the "Motion").
- 2. I am admitted to and in good standing with the State Bar of Illinois. In compliance with Rule 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, a true and correct copy of my Certificate of Standing issued by

the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Illinois, within the past thirty days, is attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and is incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full.

- 3. I have never been convicted of a felony.
- 4. I have never been censured, suspended, disbarred, or otherwise denied admission or readmission by any court or bar.
- 5. There are no present disciplinary proceedings pending against me, nor have there ever been.
- 6. I respectfully request, pursuant to Local Rule 1.3(c), that the Court grant the Motion and permit my appearance on behalf of Plaintiffs Martin Trott and Christopher Smith, as Joint Official Liquidators and Foreign Representatives of Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund, L.P. (in Official Liquidation) and for Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund L.P. (in Official Liquidation).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 31st day of January, 2019, in New York, New York.

Richard A Bixter Ir

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 31st day of January, 2019.

ELVIN RAMOS
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01RA4870243
Qualified in Queens County
Certificate filed in New York County
Commission Expires September 2, 2022

EXHIBIT A

Certificate of Admission To the Bar of Illinois

I, Carolyn Taft Grosboll, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Illinois, do hereby certify that

Richard Arthur Bixter, Jr.

has been duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law within this State; has duly taken the required oath to support the CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES and of the STATE OF ILLINOIS, and also the oath of office prescribed by law, that said name was entered upon the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors in my office on 11/05/2009 and is in good standing, so far as the records of this office disclose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, this 7th day of January, 2019.

Clerk,

Supreme Court of the State of Illinois

Carolyn Taff Gosboll