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## VIA CM/ECF

The Honorable Dora L. Irizarry Chief Judge United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Securities and Exchange Commission v. Platinum Management (NY) LLC, et al., No. 1:16-cv-06848-DLI-VMS

Dear Chief Judge Irizarry:

We represent defendant Joseph Mann in the above-referenced matter. On March 22, 2017, and March 23, 2017, Bart Schwartz, the Receiver, moved this Court for orders (1) permitting the retention of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to provide limited professional tax services; (2) permitting the retention of Houlihan Lokey Financial Advisors, Inc. as a valuation and investment banking advisory firm; and (3) expanding the scope of the receivership. *See* Docket Nos. 110, 111 and 112. Per the Court's standing order, we write to state that we take no position as to these requests.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Benjamin S. Fischer

cc: All Counsel of Record (Via CM/ECF)