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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

STEVEN B. MENDELOW, NANCY MENDELOW, CARA MENDELOW, PAMELA CHRISTIAN, C&P ASSOCIATES, LTD., and C&P ASSOCIATES, INC., Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

SIPA LIQUIDATION

(Substantively Consolidated)

Adv. Pro. No. 10-04283 (SMB)

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Defendants.

CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Plaintiff Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee") as trustee for the liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS") under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa, et seq. ("SIPA"), and the substantively consolidated estate of Bernard L. Madoff individually ("Madoff"), and Defendants Steven B. Mendelow, Nancy Mendelow, Cara Mendelow, Pamela Christian, C&P Associates, LTD., and C&P Associates, Inc. (collectively, the "Parties" and each individually, a "Party") hereby submit the following Proposed Case Management Plan (the "Plan"), pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 16 and 26, as incorporated into Bankruptcy Rules 7016 and 7026.

1. <u>Status of Pleadings</u>.

- (a) Defendants have answered the complaint.
- (b) At this time, the Parties do not contemplate any amendments to the pleadings or joinder of additional parties

2. <u>Discovery Plan.</u>

(a) <u>Initial Disclosures</u>: The Parties do not propose any changes in the form, or requirements for disclosures under Rule 26(a). The Parties agree that they shall serve Initial Disclosures required under Rule 26 on or before January 30th, 2015. The Trustee will also make available additional documents relating to BLMIS's insolvency and BLMIS's fraud, as set forth in the Initial Disclosures, in E-Data Room 1, as defined in the Order Establishing Expanded Access to Electronic Data Room 1 entered in the above-captioned case (Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)) on January 12, 2012, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

- (b) <u>Subjects On Which Discovery May Be Needed</u>: The Parties contemplate that discovery will be needed on all liability and damages issues, and that fact and expert discovery will be needed.
- (c) Experts: Every Party that intends to offer expert testimony must make the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) on or before April 28, 2016. Every Party that intends to offer expert testimony in opposition to such disclosures must make the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) on or before June 27, 2016. No expert testimony (whether designated as "rebuttal" or otherwise) will be permitted by other experts or beyond the scope of the opinion covered by the aforesaid disclosures except upon prior express permission of the Court, application for which must be made no later than 10 days after the date specified in the immediately preceding sentence. All experts may be deposed, but such depositions must occur on or before July 27, 2016. The foregoing restriction shall not affect the Parties' duty to supplement expert disclosures as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26. All expert discovery must be completed by August 30, 2016.
- (d) <u>Depositions</u>: All depositions (excluding expert depositions) must be completed by the Discovery Cut-Off date as set forth below. Depositions shall proceed concurrently, with no Party having priority. The Parties will endeavor to conclude the majority of depositions within the seven (7) hours provided under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, although the Parties acknowledge that there may be certain depositions that cannot be concluded within the time limit. The Parties will attempt in good faith to agree to reasonable extensions of the seven (7) hour limit as appropriate, and failing agreement any Party may make an application to the Court for an extension of that time limit.

The Parties may take depositions of fact witnesses during the period for fact discovery after Parties' Initial Disclosures have been made. To the extent the deposition of any fact witness raises common issues relevant to other avoidance actions in the underlying bankruptcy proceeding in which initial disclosures have been made and discovery is open, the Trustee shall coordinate such depositions with the witness and defendants in such avoidance actions. The Trustee shall provide notice of such depositions under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and notify defendants of the date, time and location of any such depositions. To the extent a deposition is so coordinated, the limitations set forth in Federal Rule 30(d)(1) shall not apply, and the Parties shall agree on an appropriate duration for the deposition. Such depositions shall not prejudice or preclude the Trustee from additional depositions of such witness in avoidance actions in which initial disclosures have not been made and discovery is not open.

To the extent that the Trustee proffers an expert witness on an issue that is common to more than one Avoidance Action, the Trustee may coordinate such deposition in multiple Avoidance Actions to maximize efficiency and use of resources. The Trustee shall notify all interested parties of the proposed date, time and location of any such depositions to be coordinated in multiple Avoidance Actions. To the extent a deposition is so coordinated, the limitations set forth in Federal Rule 30(d)(1) shall not apply, and the parties shall agree on an appropriate duration for the deposition. Depositions of the Trustee are prohibited absent an order issued by this Court upon a showing of good cause.

All depositions of the Trustee's fact and expert witnesses shall occur at the offices of Baker & Hostetler LLP, 45 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10111, or such other location as the Trustee may agree. Depositions of Defendants' expert and fact witnesses shall occur at such place as the Parties shall mutually agree.

- (e) <u>Discovery Cut-Off</u>: All fact discovery is to be completed on or before January 29, 2016.
- Limitations on Discovery Imposed under the Federal and/or Local Rules:

 Limitations on written discovery will be governed consistent with the Federal Rules of Civil

 Procedure and this Court's Local Rules, subject to amendment by agreement of the Parties or application to the Court for good cause. The Parties agree that they will work in good faith to identify the requisite number of deponents and depositions necessary following service of the Parties' Initial Disclosures.
- 3. <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Litigation Protective Order (ECF No. 4137) (the "LPO") entered in the above-captioned case (Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)) on June 6, 2011 and attached here to as Exhibit B, shall govern the disclosure of confidential information in this proceeding.
- 4. <u>Proposed Modifications of Standard Pretrial Proceeding due to the Special Nature of the Action</u>. The Parties do not presently believe that any modifications are appropriate or necessary, and will contact the Court if their belief in this regard changes.
- 5. Any other Matter that may add to the Just and Expeditious Disposition of this Matter. The Parties are not presently aware of any other matter that may add to the just and expeditious disposition of this matter.
- 6. <u>Trial</u>. The Parties propose that they will confer with each other and the Court at the conclusion of all discovery to schedule a final pre-trial and trial date.
- 7. Next Conference. The Parties shall appear before the Court on March 18, 2015, at 10:00am

8. <u>Parties and Counsel</u>. The following Parties join in this proposed Plan, through their counsel.

Dated: January 23, 2015

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So Ordered this <u>23rd</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2015.

/s/ STUART M. BERNSTEIN HONORABLE STUART M. BERNSTEIN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE