UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK,¹

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-12345 (MG)

NOTICE OF DEADLINES REQUIRING FILING OF ADULT SURVIVORS ACT SEXUAL ABUSE PROOFS OF CLAIM ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 10, 2022

TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH ADULT SURVIVORS ACT SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIMS AGAINST THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK (THE "<u>DEBTOR</u>"):

<u>Sexual Abuse Claims Revived by Adult Survivors Act</u>. Survivors of sexual abuse with claims that have been revived by the Adult Survivors Act must file an ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim Form by the Supplemental Bar Date, a copy of which is enclosed herein and which also may be found at https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc. See Section 3 below for more information.²

TO RECOVER FROM THE DEBTOR FOR A CLAIM REVIVED UNDER THE ADULT SURVIVORS ACT, YOU MUST FILE SUCH CLAIM BY OCTOBER 10, 2022. THIS DEADLINE APPLIES TO ADULT SURVIVORS ACT CLAIMS AGAINST THE DEBTOR, EVEN IF THE ADULT SURVIVORS ACT ALLOWS MORE TIME UNDER STATE LAW.

FILING CLAIMS

1. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

You MUST file an Adult Survivors Act Sexual Abuse proof of claim to vote on a chapter 11 plan filed by the Debtor or to share in distributions from the Debtor's bankruptcy estate if you have a claim that arose before the Petition Date, it has been revived by the Adult Survivors Act, and it is not one of the types of claims described in Section 5 below. Claims meeting these criteria that are based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before the Petition Date must be filed on or before the Supplemental Bar Date, even if such claims are not now fixed,

¹ The Debtor in this chapter 11 case is The Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, the last four digits of its federal tax identification number are 7437, and its mailing address is P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023.

² Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Bar Date Order.

liquidated or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated or certain before the Petition Date.

Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code and as used in this notice, the word "claim" means a right to (a) payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) a right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured.

2. WHAT TO FILE FOR SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIMS

If you have an ASA Sexual Abuse Claim that has been revived by the Adult Survivors Act, you must file an ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim, a copy of which is enclosed and which also may be found at https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc.

You may have an ASA Sexual Abuse Claim if you experienced sexual abuse as a result of activities related to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre on or before October 1, 2020. Sexual abuse means:

- Sexual conduct or misconduct, sexual abuse or molestation, sexual exploitation, sexual touching, sexualized interaction, sexual comments about a person's body, or other verbal or non-verbal behaviors that facilitated, contributed to, or led up to abuse, regardless of whether or not such behavior was itself sexual or against the law, and regardless of whether the child thought the behavior was sexual abuse at the time.
- Sexual abuse includes behavior between an adult and an adult without regard to whether such activity involved explicit force, whether such activity involved genital or other physical contact, and whether the individual associated the abuse with any physical, psychological, or emotional harm.
- Sexual abuse involves behaviors including penetration or fondling of the individual's body, other body-on-body contact, or non-contact, behaviors such as observing or making images of an individual's naked body, showing or making pornography, or having an individual behave in sexual behavior as a group.

3. CONFIDENTIALITY PROTOCOL GOVERNING SUBMISSION OF SEXUAL ABUSE PROOFS OF CLAIM

The Bar Date Order and the Supplemental Bar Date Order provide that a Confidentiality Protocol shall govern the submission of certain proofs of claim.

Individuals filing ASA Sexual Abuse Proofs of Claim are directed not to file their Proof of Claim Forms with the Court. Instead and as described above, such ASA Proof of Claim Forms must be (a) mailed or delivered to the Claims Agent at the following address: The Roman

Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York Claims Processing Center c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC P.O. Box 4421 Beaverton, OR 97076-4421, or (b) filed through the Electronic Filing System via the website located at https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc.

ASA Sexual Abuse Proofs of Claim submitted by individuals with claims arising from sexual abuse will not be available to the general public unless such claimant requests, solely in his or her discretion, for such proof of claim to be made public by so indicating in his or her ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim.

4. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE

All ASA Sexual Abuse Proofs of Claim must be filed so as to be received on or before **October 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)** as follows:

IF BY U.S. POSTAL SERVICE MAIL OR OVERNIGHT DELIVERY:

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York Claims Processing Center c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC P.O. Box 4421 Beaverton, OR 97076-4421

IF DELIVERED BY HAND:

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York Claims Processing Center c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC 10300 SW Allen Blvd. Beaverton, OR 97005

IF ELECTRONICALLY:

The website established by the Claims Agent, using the interface available on such website located at https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc (the "<u>Electronic Filing System</u>") and following the instructions provided.

ASA Sexual Abuse Proofs of Claim will be deemed filed only when actually received at the addresses listed above or via the Electronic Filing System on or before the Supplemental Bar Date. ASA Sexual Abuse Proofs of Claim may not be delivered by facsimile, telecopy, or electronic mail transmission.

5. <u>CLAIMS FOR WHICH ASA SEXUAL ABUSE PROOFS OF CLAIM NEED NOT</u> <u>BE FILED</u>

A person need not file an ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim Form if you have previously submitted such claim in this chapter 11 case in accordance with the Bar Date Order.

ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim Forms are for individuals that may have claims against the Debtor that have been revived pursuant to the Adult Survivors Act. ASA Sexual Abuse Proof of Claim Forms are specifically for individuals that have claims as a result of conduct that occurred when they were 18 years of age or older.

6. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A CLAIM</u>

ANY HOLDER OF AN ASA SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM THAT FAILS TO TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM SHALL NOT BE TREATED AS A CREDITOR WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM FOR THE PURPOSES OF VOTING ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION FILED IN THIS CASE AND PARTICIPATING IN ANY DISTRIBUTION IN THE DEBTOR'S CASES ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM.

7. <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>

If you have any questions regarding the claims process and/or you wish to obtain a copy of the Supplemental Bar Date Notice, a proof of claim form, or related documents you may do so by: (i) calling the Debtor's restructuring hotline at (888) 490-0633 (US toll-free) or (503) 520-4459; (ii) visiting the Debtor's restructuring website at: https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc; and/or (iii) writing to The Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre Claims Processing Center, c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC, P.O. Box 4421, Beaverton, OR 97076-4421. <u>Please note</u> that the Claims Agent <u>cannot</u> offer legal advice or advise whether you should file a proof of claim.

Dated: August 10, 2022 New York, New York Corinne Ball Todd Geremia Benjamin Rosenblum Andrew Butler JONES DAY 250 Vesey Street New York, NY 10281-1047 Telephone: (212) 326-3939 Facsimile: (212) 755-7306 Email: cball@jonesday.com trgeremia@jonesday.com brosenblum@jonesday.com

Counsel for the Debtor and Debtor in Possession