QUARTERLY REPORT OF RECEIVER MICHELE VIVES

(THIRD QUARTER 2024)

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Michele Vives, the duly appointed permanent receiver (the "Receiver") of 1inMM Capital, LLC and its subsidiaries and affiliates ("1inMM"), and over assets that are attributable to funds derived from investors or clients of the above-captioned defendants ("Defendants") or were fraudulently transferred by the Defendants (collectively, the "Estate"), pursuant to Local Rule 66-6 and the Order on Appointment of a Permanent Receiver ("Order of Appointment") entered on January 14, 2022, hereby submits this quarterly report (the "Report") for the period July 1, 2024 through September 31, 2024 (the "Third Quarter 2024"). This Report details the Receiver's principal activities during the Third Quarter 2024 to protect and administer the Estate and to identify new assets, and lays out the Receiver's general strategy to maximize the recovery for the benefit of investors harmed by the Ponzi scheme perpetrated by Defendants (the "1inMM Ponzi Scheme").

GENERAL RECEIVERSHIP UPDATE

Settlement Activity During the Third Quarter 2024 Α.

The Receiver previously reported that, during the Second Quarter 2023, she reached a mediated settlement with a professional services firm that worked with 1inMM, the name of which the Receiver also agreed to keep confidential (the "Professional Services Firm"). After several months of negotiating and drafting, the parties completed their intricate and detailed settlement documents in the First Quarter 2024.

The Court subsequently allowed the Receiver to file the motion to approve the settlement under seal, and during the Second Quarter 2024 entered an order (under seal) approving the settlement with the Professional Services Firm. [ECF #338] After the time period specified in the settlement agreement passed, the Receiver received the settlement payment on account of the Professional Services Firm settlement during the Third Quarter 2024, the amount of which the Receiver agreed to keep confidential. This settlement added a substantial amount of cash to the Estate.

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В. **Potential Settlements**

1. Financial Institution

During the last several calendar quarters, the Receiver has been engaged in settlement discussions with a major financial institution that did business with 1inMM. At various points during the Fourth Quarter 2023, First Quarter 2024, Second Quarter 2024 and Third Quarter 2024, the Receiver and this financial institution exchanged settlement offers and had, through counsel, several substantive discussions. The financial institution is represented by experienced and thoughtful counsel, so these discussions have been constructive and productive.

As of the end of the Third Quarter 2024, the parties were close to reaching a settlement that will yield a significant amount of cash for the Estate. The Receiver expects to file a motion to approve this settlement during the fourth quarter 2024.

1inMM Aggregators and Their Insider Net Winners *2*.

Continuously since the Third Quarter 2023, the Receiver engaged in settlement discussions with two aggregators of the 1inMM Ponzi Scheme. The Receiver's forensic accounting analysis indicates that the insiders of those aggregators are significant net winners (in that they received payments far in excess of the amounts they invested), and thus liable to the Estate under UVTA and common law unjust enrichment for receiving fraudulent transfers.

Major Aggregator

One of those aggregators and its insiders agreed to a mediation with the Receiver and specific claimant investors (the "Claimant Investors") before Judge Schenkier, which took place on January 30, 2024 in Walnut Creek, California. As the Receiver reported in her report for the First Quarter 2024, the Receiver's forensic accounting work supporting her claims was complicated by the complex and occasionally confusing manner in which the aggregator structured its affairs with 1inMM, on the one hand, and its investors, on their other. Plus, this aggregator and its insiders have for a few years now been defending litigation and arbitration

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commenced in various fora by the Claimant Investors, all of which is hotly contested and quite contentious. That contributed to the complications of mediating these claims.

As the Receiver explained in more detail in her report for the First Quarter 2024, this mediation unfortunately did not result in a settlement, despite the monumental amount of preparatory work, the good-faith efforts of all parties and wise counsel of Judge Schenkier. In the months that followed, the Receiver and counsel for the aggregator negotiated a tolling agreement and generally attempted to agree on a framework for further settlement discussions. Thankfully, as a result of all parties' patience and determination to avoid litigation, the Receiver and the aggregator agreed to a second mediation with Judge Schenkier that took place on October 9, 2024. In anticipation for that conference, the parties exchanged supplementary position statements discussing the asserted claims and defenses.

As of the end of the Third Quarter 2024, the Receiver was preparing for this second mediation.

b. Other efforts

Meanwhile, the Receiver has sent settlement proposal letters to the insiders of two other aggregators who are significant net winners of the 1inMM Ponzi Scheme. As of the end of the Second Quarter 2024, the Receiver had entered into a tolling agreement with one of those net winners in preparation for substantive settlement negotiations, which occurred during the Third Quarter 2024 and which the Receiver expects to continue during the fourth quarter 2024.

With regard to the other net winner, the Receiver reached a settlement in principle that she documented during the Third Quarter 2024 and expects to present for Court approval during the fourth quarter 2024.

Avoidance and Recovery of Transfers to Net Winners

Through the Receiver's forensic accounting, the Receiver has identified investors who were significant net winners. The Receiver has been reviewing the

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financial details of identified net winners and should she decide it is in the best interest of the Receivership Estate, anticipates initiating settlement conversations and sending settlement demand letters to most of them during the fourth quarter 2024.

Exact details of the Receiver's negotiations with these net winning transferees obviously must remain confidential for the time being so as not to jeopardize these good-faith settlement discussions. However, should the Receiver reach a proposed settlement, she will petition the Court to approve any agreement. Should the Receiver determine that a lawsuit is necessary to recoup fraudulent transfers, the Receiver will proceed appropriately.

Forensic Accounting Background and Update D.

Throughout the duration of the Ponzi scheme, 1inMM engaged in tens of thousands of transactions totaling over \$750 million (receipts and disbursements). As there were no accounting records, the Receiver has reconstructed linMM's transaction history from scratch. This undertaking has required a forensic accounting analysis that involved the review of over 2,965 bank statements and encompassed over 24,800 transactions. This analysis is essentially complete.

The forensic accounting analysis has been a fundamental element of maximizing the Estate's recovery, as it enables the Receiver to determine who may be liable to the Estate for receiving fraudulent transfers, to identify previously unknown assets, and to obtain information about 1inMM's investors. This latter item is particularly important as it serves as the basis for the Receiver's determined claim amount for each investor - how much they invested and how much was received back – and will be an integral part of the claims process discussed in more detail in the next paragraph.

Ε. **Preview of the Claims Process**

The Receiver anticipates petitioning the Court for approval of her proposals for an investor claims administration process and structure in the near term.

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The investor claims process is an integral step in determining and confirming the full scope of losses incurred by victims of the 1inMM Ponzi Scheme. This figure, in conjunction with the ultimate recovery from assets, forms the fundamental calculation necessary to determine a comprehensive distribution plan for investor victims. The Receiver has forestalled implementing a claims process until all investor victims had been identified through the forensic accounting analysis to ensure their participation in the claims process. Due to the investment structure of 1inMM, which was complicated by using aggregators and sub-aggregators to funnel investment dollars into the scheme, investor identities were clouded behind other entities which separately held investor data. The Receiver now believes she has identified nearly all, if not all, potential investors in the 1iMM Ponzi Scheme.

F. **Asset Updates**

In addition to the cash on hand detailed in Section II.C. (below), the receivership assets, not including litigation claims, currently consist of: (1) Rogue Black, LLC ("Rogue Black"), (2) LayJax Ventures, LLC ("LayJax"), (3) investments made into sixteen entities of an investor ("Additional Investments") and (4) investments made in potentially eight additional films. The updated details to each of these is outlined below.

Rogue Black 1.

Rogue Black was a film finance and production company in which Horwitz owned a membership interest and invested using 1inMM funds. Ultimately, 1inMM invested approximately \$21.5 million with Rogue Black, which went on to produce and complete a total of eight films (collectively, the "Produced Films"). The Receiver continues to collect monies owed to Rogue Black in relation to the Produced Films and pursue monies that are owed but have not yet been paid. As noted below, potential further recoveries may be obtained through an eventual sale of the film library.

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a. Anticipated Future Sale of Rogue Black's Film Library

To maximize the monetary recovery of the estate, the Receiver has a commenced a process to bundle and sell Rogue Black's film library. The Receiver obtained permission from the Court to engage Resurgence Media Group ("Resurgence"), a full-service distribution company that specializes in film library sales, to act as a broker to market and sell the library. [ECF #366]

Resurgence began its marketing process during the end of the Third Quarter 2024 and has advised the Receiver that this timing has worked out well as film season has just begun in the industry with annual trade shows such as American Film Market, MIPCOM and others occurring in the coming months. Should Resurgence identify potential buyers, the Receiver will engage with the buyer that offers to deliver the greatest value to the estate and file a motion asking the Court to approve the sale.

2. LayJax

LayJax is an angel investment company which invested in early startup business ventures. Using 1inMM funds, Horwitz caused LayJax to invest \$2.5 million with twelve separate startup business ventures that LayJax had sourced. The businesses in which LayJax invested are broad and diverse. The Receiver continually monitors each investment in LayJax for progress, as well as for opportunities to generate recoveries—including a sale. However, these investments will likely prove difficult to monetize. The Receiver will provide additional updates as new or meaningful activity occurs.

3. Additional Film Investments

As a result of the Receiver's forensic accounting investigation, the Receiver and her staff identified five additional entities that received more than \$13.1 million from 1inMM, which appear to have funded the production of an additional eight films. The Receiver continues to investigate these entities, films and the best avenue to efficiently maximize the recovery from these investments. The Receiver has

begun to shift more resources to this potential asset and, pending additional investigation, continues to believe it prudent not to include any additional details on these entities and films in this report so as not to impede, jeopardize or hamper her investigation.

G. Litigation Against City National Bank

As noted in previous reports, the Receiver moved the Court to authorize her to engage Raines Feldman as conflict counsel, and the Court granted that motion on January 3, 2023. [ECF #166]. The Receiver commenced an adversary proceeding against City National Bank by the filing of a complaint in the District Court, assigned Case No. 2:24-cv-01317-CAS-PVC. On April 19, 2024, City National Bank file a Motion To Compel Judicial Reference Under Cal. Code of Civil Procedure Section 638 [Dkt. 16]. The Court granted the motion and selected Hon. Ann Jones as the referee (the "Judicial Referee") to oversee the matter. The Receiver, City National Bank and the Judicial Referee are in the process of exchanging information regarding disclosures to begin setting up the proceedings.

II. ACCOUNTING OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Attached as <u>Exhibit "A"</u> is a copy of the Standard Fund Accounting Report ("<u>SFAR</u>"). Below is a summary of the cash receipts and disbursements from the estate on a cash accounting basis.

A. Cash Receipts

During the Third Quarter 2024, the receivership estate had total cash receipts of \$8,842,508.¹

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27 The Receiver cannot be more specific about the cash receipts during the Third Quarter 2024 either in this report or in the SFAR due to the confidentiality obligations in the settlement agreement with the Professional Services Firm.

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B. <u>Cash Disbursements</u>

During the Third Quarter 2024, cash disbursements totaled \$3,449,611. These disbursements included, but are not limited to,² (i) \$361,097 of fees and costs paid to Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, the Receiver's counsel, (ii) \$170,851 of fees and costs of the Receiver, (iii) \$23,423 of administrative and consulting fees related to Rogue Black, (iv) \$3,312 of technology and consulting fees related to LayJax, (v) \$3,000 of fees paid to JAMS, Inc. and (vi) \$428 of bank related charges.

C. Cash on Hand

As of September 30, 2024, the receivership estate held an ending balance of \$10,967,919.

III. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

The Receiver respectfully requests that the Court grant the motion to approve this Report and award the related relief requested therein.

Dated: November 1, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Michele Vives

Michele Vives, Receiver

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PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK

At the time of service, I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. I am employed in the County of Cook, State of Illinois. My business address is 525 W. Monroe St., Chicago, IL 60661.

On November 1, 2024, I served the following document(s) described as:

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as follows:

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- [] BY MAIL: I enclosed the document(s) in a sealed envelope or package addressed to the persons at the addresses listed above and placed the envelope for collection and mailing, following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that the correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service, in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.
- [] BY E-MAIL OR ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION: I caused the document(s) to be sent from e-mail address terence.banich@katten.com to the persons at the e-mail addresses listed above. I did not receive, within a reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the transmission was unsuccessful.
- [] BY OVERNIGHT MAIL (FedEx): I enclosed said document(s) in an envelope or package provided by FEDEX and addressed to the persons at the addresses listed above. I placed the envelope or package for collection and overnight delivery at an office or a regularly utilized drop box of FEDEX or delivered such document(s) to a courier or driver authorized by FEDEX to receive documents.
- [] BY PERSONAL SERVICE: I caused said document to be personally delivered the document(s) to the person at the addresses listed above by leaving the documents in an envelope or package clearly labeled to identify the attorney being served with a receptionist or an individual in charge of the office.
- [X] E-FILING: By causing the document to be electronically filed via the Court's CM/ECF system, which effects electronic service on counsel who are registered with the CM/ECF system.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Illinois that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on November 1, 2024, at Winnetka, Illinois.

/s/Terence G. Banich
Terence G. Banich

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STANDARDIZED FUND ACCOUNTING REPORT (CASH BASIS) for ZACHARY J. HORWITZ; and 1inMM CAPITAL, LLC RECEIVERSHIP; CIVIL COURT DOCKET NO. 2:21-CV-02927-CAS

REPORTING PERIOD from July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024

FUND ACC	COUNTING (See Instructions):			
			DETAIL	SUBTOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
Line 1		Beginning Balance of the Fund as of July 1, 2024			\$5,575,022
		Increases in Fund Balances:			
Line 2		Business Income (Receipts)			0
Line 3		Cash and Securities			0
Line 4		Interest / Dividend Income			92,508
Line 5		Business Asset Liquidation			
Line 6		Personal Asset Liquidation			
Line 7		Third-Party Litigation			
Line 8		Miscellaneous - Other			0
		Total Funds Available (Lines 1-8)			14,417,529
		Decreases in Fund Balance:			
Line 9		Disbursements to Investors			0
Line 10		Disbursements for Receivership Operations			
	Line 10a	Disbursements to Receiver or Other Professionals		170,851	0
	Line 10b	Business Asset Expenses		26,734	
	Line 10c	Personal Asset Liquidation			
	Line 10d	Investment Expenses		428	
	Line 10e	Third-Party Litigation Expenses			
		1. Attorney Fees	3,251,597		
		2. Litigation Expenses	0		
		Total Third-Party Litigation Expenses		3,251,597	
	Line 10f	Tax Administrator Fees and Bonds		0	
	Line 10g	Federal and State Tax Payments		0	
		Total Disbursements for Receivership Operations			3,449,611
Line 11		Disbursements for Distribution Expenses Paid by the Fund:			
	Line 11a	Distribution Plan Development Expenses:			
		1. Fees:			
		Fund Administrator	0		
		Independent Distribution Consultant (IDC)	0		
		Distribution Agent	0		
		Consultants	0		
		Legal Advisors	0		
		Tax Advisors	0		
		2. Administrative Expenses	0		
		3. Miscellaneous	0		
		Total Plan Development Expenses		0	
	Line 11b	Distribution Plan Implementation Expenses:			
		1. Fees:			
		Fund Administrator	0		
		Independent Distribution Consultant (IDC)	0		
		Distribution Agent	0		
		Consultants	0		

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	Line 140	Other Assets or Uncleared Funds Total Ending Balance of Fund - Net Assets			\$10,967,919
	Line 14b Line 14c	Investments			0
	Line 14a	Cash & Cash Equivalents			\$10,967,919
Line 14	_	Balance of Fund - Net Assets:			£40.007.040
Line 13	Ending	Balance of the Fund as of September 30, 2024			\$10,967,919
		Total Funds Disbursed (Lines 9-12)			3,449,611
		Total Disbursements to Court / Other			0
	Line 12b	Federal Tax Payments		0	
	Line 12a	Investment Expenses / Court Registry Investment System	(DRIS) Fees	0	
Line 12	Disbur	sements to Court / Other:			
		Total Disbursements for Distribtion Expenses Paid by	the Fund		0
		Total Plan Implementation Expenses		0	
		(FAIR) Reporting Expenses	0		
		Fair Account for Investor Restitution	0		
		Miscellaneous	0		
		Fund Administrator Bond	0		
		Web Site Maintenance / Call Center	0		
		Claims Processing	0		
		Claimant Identification	0		
		Notice/Publishing Approved Plan	0		
		Investor Identification:	·		
		2. Administrative Expenses	0		
		Legal Advisors Tax Advisors	0		

OTHER SUF	PPLEMENTAL INF	ORMATION:			
			DETAIL	SUBTOTAL	GRAND TOTA
	Repor	t of Items NOT to be Paid by the Fund:			
ine 15	Disbu	rsements for Plan Administration Expenses Not Paid by the F	und:		
	Line 15a	Plan Development Expenses Not Paid by the Fund			
		1. Fees:			
		Fund Administrator		\$0	
		Independent Distribution Consultant (IDC)		0	
		Distribution Agent		0	
		Consultants		0	
		Legal Advisors		0	
		Tax Advisors		0	
		2. Administrative Expenses		0	
		3. Miscellaneous		0	
		Total Plan Development Expenses Not Paid by the Fund]
	Line 15b	Plan Implementation Expenses Not Paid by the Fund			
		1. Fees:			
		Fund Administrator		0	
		Independent Distribution Consultant (IDC)		0	
		Distribution Agent		0	
		Consultants		0	

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	Line 18b	Number of Claimants / Investors Paid Since Inception of Fund		0	
	Line 18a	Number of Claimants / Investors Paid This Reporting Period		0	
Line 19	Numb				
	Line 18b	Number of Claims Received Since Inception of Fund		0	
	Line 18a	Number of Claims Received This Reporting Period		0	
Line 18	Number of Claims:				
Line 17	DC &	State Tax Payments		\$	
		Total Disbursements to Court / Other Not Paid by the Fund:		\$	
	Line 16b	Federal Tax Payments	0		
	Line 16a	Investment Expenses / CRIS Fees	\$0		
Line 16	Disbursements to Court / Other Not Paid by the Fund:				
		Total Disbursements for Plan Administration Expenses Not Paid	by the Fund	\$	
	Line 15c	Tax Administrator Fees & Bonds Not Paid by the Fund			
		Total Plan Implementation Expenses Not Paid by the Fund			
		FAIR Reporting Expenses	0		
		5. Miscellaneous	0		
		Fund Administrator Bond	0		
		Web Site Maintenance / Call Center	0		
		Claims Processing	0		
		Claimant Identification	0		
		Notice/Publishing Approved Plan	0		
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