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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

IN RE INFINITY Q DIVERSIFIED ALPHA FUND SECURITIES LITIGATION	Index No. 651295/2021 CLASS ACTION
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: THE CONSOLIDATED ACTION	Part 53: Justice Andrew S. Borrok)))))
DOMINUS MULTIMANAGER FUND, LTD., Individually and on Behalf of all Others Similarly Situated, Plaintiff,) Index No. 652906/2022) CLASS ACTION) Part 53: Justice Andrew S. Borrok
v. INFINITY Q CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC, et al., Defendants.)))))))))

AFFIRMATION OF NEIL O'CONNOR IN SUPPORT OF MOTIONS FOR: (1) FINAL SETTLEMENT APPROVAL; (2) ATTORNEYS' FEES AND PAYMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES; AND (3) PLAINTIFF'S SERVICE AWARD

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I, Neil O'Connor, hereby affirm as follows:

1. I am one of the named Plaintiffs in the above-captioned securities class actions (the

"Actions"). I respectfully submit this declaration in support of both the proposed settlement—

which I fully support and believe is a great result for the Settlement Class—and the requested

award of attorneys' fees and expenses, and my request for a service award of \$5,000 in connection

with the time and effort I expended in representing and serving the best interests of the Settlement

Class.

2. I have personal knowledge of the matters referred to in Plaintiffs' applications and

of the other matters set forth in this affirmation, as I have been directly involved in monitoring and

overseeing the prosecution of the Actions, and, if called as a witness, could competently testify

thereto.

Work Performed by Plaintiff on Behalf of the Settlement Class

3. I purchased 7,943 shares of the Infinity Q Diversified Alpha mutual fund (ticker

symbol "IQDNX") (the "Alpha Fund") on October 20, 2020, pursuant and traceable to the

prospectuses that are at issue in the Actions.

4. I sought to serve as a class representative in *In re Infinity Q Diversified Alpha Fund*

Securities Litigation, Index No. 651295/2021, because I wanted to represent and protect the

interests of all investors who, like me, purchased shares in the Alpha Fund. From the start of the

Actions, I have been fully engaged in the Actions and committed to assisting Plaintiffs' Counsel

in vigorously prosecuting this case on behalf of the Settlement Class.

5. For almost two years, I have actively participated in the prosecution of the Actions,

including: (i) communicating with Plaintiff's Counsel concerning the status, progress, and any

updates related to the Actions, (ii) reviewing pleadings, briefs, orders, and other documents filed

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in the Actions, and (iii) conferring with Plaintiff's Counsel concerning mediation and settlement

of the Actions.

6. From early on in the litigation, it was important to me (and, I believe, to the

Settlement Class as a whole) to resolve the Actions quickly on favorable terms, as this would allow

Settlement Class Members to maximize their recovery of the Defendants' available assets, and

allow for the release of the money the Funds have been retaining as litigation reserves to cover the

cost and expense of the Actions.

Plaintiff Supports Approval of the Settlement

7. Based on my involvement in the Actions, and when considering the merits of the

Actions and the risks and benefits of litigating as opposed to settling the Actions, I believe the

settlement of up to \$48,000,000.00 is an excellent resolution for the Settlement Class given the

risks of continued litigation and the potential recovery. None of this has been possible without the

diligent efforts of myself and Plaintiffs' Counsel. Thus, I believe the Settlement represents a fair,

reasonable, and adequate recovery on behalf of the Settlement Class and that final approval of the

proposed Settlement is in the best interest of each Settlement Class Member.

Plaintiff Supports Plaintiffs' Counsel's Fee and Expense Application

8. I have approved and support Plaintiffs' Counsel's request for an award of attorneys'

fees of 33 and 1/3% of the Settlement's \$45,000,000 guaranteed cash recovery, and payment of

Plaintiffs' Counsel's requested litigation expenses, with interest on both amounts. I believe this

requested fee is reasonable for many reasons, which I understand are typically considered when

analyzing fee award requests. First, while both I and Plaintiffs' Counsel were confident as to the

merits of the claim, the successful prosecution of the Actions was far from assured. Plaintiffs'

Counsel's ability to reach a settlement of this size despite the multiple risks inherent in the Actions

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- in particular, the fact that many of the Defendants had strong due diligence defenses as a result

of the criminal actions of James Velissaris - strongly supports the requested fee. Second,

Plaintiff's Counsel's efforts investigating and developing the claims in the Actions through their

own independent investigation and confirmatory discovery, and their opposition of Defendants'

motions to dismiss allowed for the Settlement Class's recovery. Third, Plaintiff's Counsel was

able to achieve this favorable Settlement notwithstanding Defendants' representation by eight of

the country's leading law-firms, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, Duane Morris LLP, Vedder Price

P.C., Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, Milbank LP, Arnold &

Porter Kay Scholer LLP, and Petrillo Klein & Boxer LLP.

9. In summary, I believe Plaintiffs' Counsel's requested award of attorneys' fees is

both fair and reasonable given the high-quality representation, responsiveness, and diligence of

Plaintiffs' Counsel in prosecuting the Actions, as well as the resulting recovery of up to

\$48,000,000.00 for the Settlement Class and the likely release of hundreds of millions more from

the Alpha Fund's reserve, in the face of the risk of no recovery at all. I further believe that the

litigation expenses requested are reasonable and were necessary for the successful prosecution and

resolution of the Actions.

Plaintiff Respectfully Requests a Service Award

10. I have not received, nor have I been promised or offered, any financial incentive or

compensation for serving as a Plaintiff. I understand, however, that the Court may authorize an

award to a representative serving on behalf of the Settlement Class directly relating to their

representation of the Settlement Class. I know that the grant of such an award is entirely in the

discretion of the Court. It is also my understanding that the Settlement Class has been given notice

of the request by myself and the other Plaintiffs to seek service awards for our efforts in bringing

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and prosecuting the Actions. As noted above, I devoted significant time to the Actions. I therefore respectfully request a service award of \$5,000.00 in connection with the time and effort I spent

representing the Settlement Class in the Actions.

I affirm under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 2/2 1/200f December 2022 at Durango, Colorado.

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DATED: December 27, 2022 Respectfully submitted,

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