

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK**

In the matter of the application of
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION and U.S.
BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION (each separately as Trustee,
Securities Administrator, Paying Agent, and/or
Calculation Agent, as applicable, under various
Pooling and Servicing Agreements),

Petitioners,

for judicial instructions pursuant to CPLR Art. 77.

Index No. 656028/2021

Hon. Andrew Borrok

**NOTICE AND CONSENT TO
WITHDRAWAL OF
APPEARANCE AND
WITHDRAWAL OF
COUNSEL**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Respondents Taconic Master Fund 1.5 LP, Taconic Opportunity Master Fund LP, and Park Royal II LLC (collectively, the “Taconic Funds”) hereby withdraw (i) their appearance and participation in the Answer to the First Amended Petition of U.S. Bank National Association, [Dkt. 60](#), and (ii) from this proceeding in all respects.¹

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Taconic Funds also consent to, acknowledge, and agree to the withdrawal, as of the date hereof, of the undersigned counsel of Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP as attorneys of record for the Taconic Funds in this proceeding. The Taconic Funds do so without objection to Patterson Belknap continuing to represent the Olifant Funds as well as Reliance Standard Life Insurance Company, Safety

¹ The Taconic Funds answered U.S. Bank National Association’s First Amended Petition along with Olifant Fund, Ltd., FFI Fund Ltd., and FYI Ltd. (collectively, the “Olifant Funds”). For avoidance of doubt, the Olifant Funds are not withdrawing their appearance or participation in the Answer or this proceeding. This withdrawal only applies to the Taconic Funds.

National Casualty Corporation, Stephen Finkelstein, and NAV LLC (collectively, the “Reliance Parties”) in this proceeding.

Dated: February 3, 2026

New York, New York

TACONIC MASTER FUND 1.5 LP

**TACONIC OPPORTUNITY MASTER
FUND LP**

PARK ROYAL II LLC

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