UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GREG HRASOK, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 4:18-cv-591-GCH

KRATON CORPORATION, KEVIN M. FOGARTY, and STEPHEN E. TREMBLAY,

Defendants.

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

This Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement, dated as of November 15, 2019 (the "Stipulation"), is entered into between (a) Lead Plaintiff Greg Hrasok ("Plaintiff"), on behalf of himself and the Class (defined below); and (b) defendants Kevin M. Fogarty, Stephen E. Tremblay (collectively, with defendant Fogarty, the "Individual Defendants") and Kraton Corporation ("Kraton" or the "Company" and collectively, with the Individual Defendants, "Defendants"), and embodies the terms and conditions of the settlement of the above-captioned action (the "Action"). Subject to the approval of the Court and the terms and conditions expressly provided herein, this Stipulation is intended to fully, finally and forever compromise, settle, release, resolve, and dismiss with prejudice, *inter alia*, the Action and all claims asserted therein.

 $^{^1}$ All terms with initial capitalization not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in \P 1 herein.

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 26, 2018, Plaintiff filed a putative class action complaint against Defendants in the United States District Court in the Southern District of Texas.
- B. On June 26, 2018, the Court entered an order appointing Greg Hrasok as Lead Plaintiff for the Action pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, appointing the Rosen Law Firm, P.A. as Lead Counsel for the putative class, and appointing Steckler Gresham Cochran PLLC as liaison counsel for the putative class.
- On August 27, 2018, Plaintiff filed his Amended Class Action Complaint for C. Violation of the Federal Securities Laws (the "Complaint"), asserting claims under Sections 10(b), 20(a), and 20A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. Dkt. No. 24. Among other things, the Complaint alleges that Defendants violated the Exchange Act by misrepresenting the true state of, and failing to disclose flaws in, the new manufacturing process for Cariflex during the Class Period. The Complaint alleges that, as a result of the alleged misrepresentations and omissions relating to the Cariflex manufacturing process, the price of Kraton's common stock was artificially inflated during the Class Period. The Complaint further alleges that the true state of the Cariflex manufacturing process was later publicly disclosed in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K, filed on February 21, 2018, when the Company disclosed a \$7.6 million negative impact on the Company's fourth quarter 2017 Adjusted EBITDA due to the manufacturing problems. The Complaint further alleges that in response to this news, the price of the Company's stock dropped \$7.69 per share, causing investor losses. Finally, the Complaint alleges that Defendants Fogarty and Tremblay violated the Exchange Act by selling shares of Kraton stock at artificially inflated prices in the months between the material misstatements and the corrective disclosure.

- D. The Defendants deny any wrongdoing. On October 11, 2018, Defendants moved to dismiss the Complaint for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rules 9(b) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. Dkt. No. 26. Among other things, Defendants argued that Plaintiff failed to adequately plead any materially misleading statements or omissions and, further, failed to plead a strong inference of scienter. Defendants sought dismissal of the Complaint in its entirety with prejudice. Briefing on the Motion to Dismiss was completed on December 17, 2018, when Defendants filed their Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss Amended Complaint. Dkt. No. 29. The Court has not ruled on the Motion.
- E. Beginning in March 2019, the Parties began discussing a potential settlement of the Action to minimize the risk, costs and burdens of further litigation. On June 13, 2019, the Parties entered into a memorandum of understanding to settle the Action for \$1.5 million.
- F. This Stipulation (together with the exhibits hereto) reflects the final and binding agreement between the Parties to fully and finally settle and release all claims that were asserted or could have been asserted in the Action in return for a cash payment by or on behalf of Defendants of \$1.5 million for the benefit of the Class.
- G. Based upon their investigation and prosecution of the case, Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of this Stipulation are fair, reasonable and adequate to Plaintiff and the other members of the Class, and in their best interests. Based on Plaintiff's direct oversight of the prosecution of this matter and with the advice of his counsel, Plaintiff has agreed to settle and release the claims that were asserted or could have been asserted in the Action pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Stipulation, after considering, among other things: (a) the substantial financial benefit that Plaintiff and the other members of the Class

will receive under the proposed Settlement; and (b) the significant risks and costs of continued litigation and trial.

- H. This Stipulation constitutes a compromise of matters that are in dispute between the Parties. Defendants are entering into this Stipulation solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further litigation. Each of the Defendants denies any wrongdoing, and this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of any of Defendants' Releasees with respect to any claim or allegation of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage whatsoever, or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have, or could have, asserted. Defendants expressly deny that Plaintiff has asserted any valid claims as to any of them, and expressly deny any and all allegations of fault, liability, wrongdoing or damages whatsoever. Plaintiff is not aware of any breach of fiduciary duties by Defendants associated or related to or arising from any of the allegations in the Complaint. Similarly, this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of Plaintiff of any infirmity in any of the claims asserted in the Action, or an admission or concession that any of the Defendants' defenses to liability had any merit.
- I. Each of the Parties recognizes and acknowledges, however, that the Action has been initiated, filed and prosecuted by Plaintiff in good faith and defended by Defendants in good faith, that the Action is being voluntarily settled with the advice of counsel, and that the terms of the Settlement are fair, adequate and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and among Plaintiff (individually and on behalf of all other members of the Class) and Defendants, by and through their respective undersigned attorneys and subject to the approval of the Court pursuant to Rule

23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, that, in consideration of the benefits flowing to the Parties from the Settlement, all Released Plaintiff's Claims as against Defendants' Releasees and all Released Defendants' Claims as against Plaintiff's Releasees shall be settled and released, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth below.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. As used in this Stipulation and any exhibits attached hereto and made a part hereof, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Kraton Securities" means Kraton common stock.
- (b) "Alternate Judgment" means a form of judgment that may be entered by the Court in a form other than the form of Judgment provided for in this Stipulation and which judgment does not result in any Party terminating the Settlement.
- (c) "Authorized Claimant" means a Class Member who submits a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator that is approved by the Court for payment from the Net Settlement Fund.
- (d) "Claims" means any and all claims, demands, rights, actions, potential actions, causes of action, liabilities, duties, damages, losses, diminutions in value, obligations, agreements, suits, fees, attorneys' fees, expert or consulting fees, debts, expenses, costs, sanctions, judgments, decrees, matters, issues and/or controversies of any kind or nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown, contingent or absolute, liquidated or not liquidated, accrued or unaccrued, suspected or unsuspected, disclosed or undisclosed, apparent or not apparent, foreseen or unforeseen, matured or not matured, which now exist, or heretofore or previously existed, or may hereafter exist (including, but not limited to, any claims arising under federal, state or foreign law, common law, bankruptcy law, statute, rule, or regulation relating to alleged fraud, breach of any

duty, negligence, fraudulent conveyance, avoidance, violations of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and rules promulgated thereunder, violations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and rules promulgated thereunder, violations of other federal or state securities laws, or otherwise), whether individual, class, direct, derivative, representative, on behalf of others, legal, equitable, regulatory, governmental or of any other type or in any other capacity.

- (e) "Claim Form" means the form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 to Exhibit A, that a Claimant must complete and submit should that Claimant seek to share in a distribution of the Net Settlement Fund.
- (f) "Claimant" means a person or entity who or that submits a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator seeking to be eligible to share in the proceeds of the Settlement Fund.
- (g) "Claims Administrator" means Strategic Claims Services, the firm retained by Plaintiff and Lead Counsel, subject to approval of the Court, to provide all notices approved by the Court to potential Class Members and to administer the Settlement.
- (h) "Class" means the settlement class stipulated to by the Parties and identical to the Class set forth in the Complaint, consisting of all persons and/or entities that purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities during the period October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive (the "Class Period"). Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the present and former officers and directors of Kraton at all relevant times; members of their Immediate Families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which any of the Defendants, or any person excluded under this provision, has or had a majority ownership interest. Also excluded from the Class are any persons and entities who or that submits a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court.

- (i) "Class Distribution Order" means an order entered by the Court authorizing and directing that the Net Settlement Fund be distributed, in whole or in part, to Authorized Claimants.
- (j) "Class Member" means each person and entity who or that is a member of the Class.
- (k) "Court" means the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.
 - (l) "Defendants' Counsel" means Baker & McKenzie LLP.
- (m) "Defendants' Releasees" means (i) Kraton, its past, present and future, direct or indirect, parent entities, associates, affiliates, and subsidiaries, each and all of their respective past, present, and future directors, officers, partners, stockholders, predecessors, successors and employees, and in their capacity as such, each and all of their underwriters, advisors, attorneys (including Defendants' Counsel), auditors, consultants, trustees, insurers, co-insurers, reinsurers, representatives, and assigns; (ii) the Individual Defendants and their respective present, past and future members of their Immediate Families; (iii) any and all persons, firms, trusts, corporations, and other entities in which any of the Defendants or any past, present, and future directors or officers of Kraton has a financial interest or was a sponsor, founder, settler or creator of the entity, and, in their capacity as such, any and all officers, directors, employees, trustees, beneficiaries, settlers, creators, attorneys, consultants, agents, or representatives of any such person, firm, trust, corporation or other entity; and (iv) in their capacity as such, the legal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, predecessors-in-interest, successors-in-interest, and assigns of any of the foregoing.

- (n) "Effective Date" with respect to the Settlement means the first date by which all of the events and conditions specified in ¶ 33 of this Stipulation have been met and have occurred or have been waived.
- (o) "Escrow Account" means an interest-bearing account established by the Escrow Agent at M&T Bank, a financial institution into which the Settlement Amount shall be transferred and held, subject to the Court's supervisory authority and under the control of the Escrow Agent.
 - (p) "Escrow Agent" means M&T Bank.
- (q) "Escrow Agreement" means the agreement between Lead Counsel and the Escrow Agent setting forth the terms under which the Escrow Agent shall maintain the Escrow Account.
- (r) "Final," with respect to the Judgment or, if applicable, the Alternate Judgment, or any other court order, means: (i) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the time provided for filing or noticing any appeal under the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, *i.e.*, thirty (30) calendar days after entry of the judgment or order; or (ii) if there is an appeal from the judgment or order, (a) the date of final dismissal of all such appeals, or the final dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari or otherwise, or (b) the date the judgment or order is finally affirmed on an appeal, the expiration of the time to file a petition for a writ of certiorari or other form of review, or the denial of a writ of certiorari or other form of review, and, if certiorari or other form of review is granted, the date of final affirmance following review pursuant to that grant. However, any appeal or proceeding seeking subsequent judicial review pertaining solely to an order with respect to (i) attorneys' fees, costs or expenses, or (ii) the plan of allocation of Settlement proceeds (as

submitted or subsequently modified) shall not in any way delay or preclude a judgment from becoming Final.

- (s) "Immediate Family" means present, past and future children, parents, spouses, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren, mothers-in-law, fathers-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law, all of which include step and adoptive relationships. As used in this paragraph, "spouse" shall mean a husband, a wife, or a partner in a state-recognized domestic relationship or civil union.
- (t) "Judgment" means the judgment, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be entered by the Court approving the Settlement.
 - (u) "Lead Counsel" means The Rosen Law Firm, P.A.
- (v) "Litigation Expenses" means costs and expenses incurred by Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel in connection with commencing, prosecuting and settling the Action (which may include reimbursement of time and expenses awarded by the Court to Plaintiff for serving as Class Representative on behalf of the Class), for which Lead Counsel intends to apply to the Court for reimbursement from the Settlement Fund.
- (w) "Net Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Fund less: (i) any Taxes;(ii) any Notice and Administration Costs; (iii) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and(iv) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court.
- (x) "Notice" means the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Settlement Hearing; and (III) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to Exhibit A, which is to be disseminated to Class Members in the manner ordered by the Court.

- (y) "Notice and Administration Costs" means the costs, fees and expenses that are incurred by the Claims Administrator and/or Lead Counsel in connection with: (i) providing notices to the Class; and (ii) administering the Settlement, including but not limited to processing Submitted Claims, as well as the costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Escrow Account. Such costs and expenses shall include, without limitation, the actual costs of printing and mailing or of emailing the Notice, publishing the Summary Notice, reimbursements to nominee owners for forwarding the Notice to their beneficial owners, the administrative expenses incurred and fees charged by the Claims Administrator in connection with providing notice, administering the Settlement (including processing the Submitted Claims), and the fees, if any, of the Escrow Agent.
- (z) "Parties" means Defendants and Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Class.
- (aa) "Plaintiff's Counsel" means Lead Counsel and Steckler Gresham Cochran PLLC who, at the direction and under the supervision of Lead Counsel, performed services on behalf of the Class in the Action.
- (bb) "Plaintiff's Releasees" means Plaintiff, his respective attorneys, and all other members of the Class, and each of their respective parent entities, associates, affiliates, subsidiaries, predecessors, successors, assigns, attorneys, current and former officers and directors, employees, Immediate Family members, heirs, representatives, administrators, executors, devisees, legatees, and estates.
- (cc) "Plan of Allocation" means the proposed plan of allocation of the Net Settlement Fund set forth in the Notice.

- (dd) "Preliminary Approval Order" means the order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, to be entered by the Court preliminarily approving the Settlement and directing that notice of the Settlement be provided to the Class.
- (ee) "PSLRA" means the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended.
- (ff) "Released Claims" means all Released Defendants' Claims and all Released Plaintiff's Claims.
- (gg) "Released Defendants' Claims" means any and all Claims, including Unknown Claims, that arise out of or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution or settlement of the claims asserted in Action. Released Defendants' Claims do not include any claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement or any claims against any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.
- (hh) "Released Plaintiff's Claims" means any and all Claims, including Unknown Claims, that have been, could have been, or in the future can or might be asserted in any federal, state or foreign court, tribunal, forum or proceeding by or on behalf of any of Plaintiff's Releasees against any one or more of the Defendants' Releasees, regardless of whether any such Defendants' Releasee was named, served with process, or appeared in the Action, that directly or indirectly arise out of or relate to (i) any of the allegations, acts, transactions, facts, events, matters, occurrences, representations or omissions involved, set forth, alleged or referred to, in the Action, or that could have been alleged in the Action, and (ii) arise out of, are based upon, or relate to in any way the purchase, acquisition, holding, sale, or disposition of any Kraton Securities during the Class Period. Released Plaintiff's Claims do not include (i) any claims to enforce the terms of the

Settlement; or (ii) any claims of any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court.

- (ii) "Releasee(s)" means each and any of the Defendants' Releasee(s) and each and any of the Plaintiff's Releasee(s).
 - (jj) "Releases" means the releases set forth in ¶¶ 5-6 of this Stipulation.
- (kk) "Settlement" means the settlement between Plaintiff and Defendants on the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation.
- (II) "Settlement Amount" means one million and five hundred thousand U.S. dollars (US\$1,500,000).
- (mm) "Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon.
- (nn) "Settlement Hearing" means the hearing set by the Court under Rule 23(e)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to consider final approval of the Settlement.
- (oo) "Submitted Claim" means a Claim Form that has been submitted by a Claimant to the Claims Administrator.
- (pp) "Summary Notice" means the Summary Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Settlement Hearing; and (III) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 3 to Exhibit A, to be published as set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order.
- (qq) "Taxes" means: (i) all federal, state and/or local taxes of any kind (including any interest or penalties thereon) on any income earned by the Settlement Fund; (ii) the expenses and costs incurred by Lead Counsel in connection with determining the amount of, and paying, any taxes owed by the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys

and accountants); and (iii) all taxes imposed on payments by the Settlement Fund, including withholding taxes.

(rr) "Unknown Claims" means any Released Claims that Plaintiff, any other Class Member, or any Defendants or any of the other Releasees, does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its settlement with and release of any of the other Releasees, or might have affected his, her or its decision not to opt out or object to this Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the final judgment shall have waived, the provisions, rights and benefits of California Civil Code § 1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, expressly waived, any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law of any state, territory, foreign country or principle of common law, that is similar, comparable or equivalent to California Civil Code § 1542. Plaintiff, any other Class Member, Defendants, and their respective Releasees may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those that he, she or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the settlement, Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever settled and released, any and all Released

Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, that now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not limited to, conduct that is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of fiduciary duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Class Members and each of the other Releasees shall be deemed by operation of the final judgment to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the Settlement of which this release is a part.

CLASS SETTLEMENT

2. The Action is being settled as a class action, contingent on Court approval, based on the Class stipulated to by the Parties solely for the purposes of this Settlement.

PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

3. Plaintiff shall file a motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, and attach a copy of the executed Stipulation. Defendants shall join in the motion for preliminary approval. Concurrently with the motion for preliminary approval, Plaintiff shall apply to the Court for, and Defendants shall agree to, entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. Defendants will not oppose the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement or the scheduling of a hearing for consideration of final approval of the Settlement.

RELEASE OF CLAIMS

4. The obligations incurred pursuant to this Stipulation are in consideration of: (i) the full and final disposition of the Action as against Defendants; and (ii) the Releases provided for herein.

- 5. Pursuant to the Judgment, or any Alternate Judgment, if applicable, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiff's Releasees (regardless of whether any such person or entity ever seeks or obtains by any means, including without limitation by submitting a proof of claim, any disbursement from the Settlement) shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Plaintiff's Claims against Defendants' Releasees, and shall have covenanted not to sue Defendants' Releasees with respect to all such Released Plaintiff's Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting, commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Plaintiff's Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Defendants' Releasees. This release shall not apply to any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.
- 6. Pursuant to the Judgment, or any Alternate Judgment, if applicable, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, current and former officers and directors, agents, fiduciaries, beneficiaries or legal representatives, in their capacities as such, and any other person or entity legally entitled to bring Released Defendants' Claims on behalf of any Defendant, in that capacity, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Defendants' Claims against Plaintiff's Releasees and shall have covenanted not to sue Plaintiff's Releasees with respect to all such Released Defendants' Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting,

commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Defendants' Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Plaintiff's Releasees. This release shall not apply to any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.

7. Notwithstanding ¶¶ 5-6 above, nothing in the Judgment, or the Alternate Judgment, if applicable, shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of this Stipulation or the Judgment, or any Alternate Judgment, if applicable.

THE SETTLEMENT CONSIDERATION

8. In consideration of the settlement of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against Defendants' Releasees, Kraton, on behalf of all Defendants' Releasees, shall cause to be paid the Settlement Amount into the Escrow Account no later than ten (10) calendar days after: (a) the date of entry by the Court of an order preliminarily approving this Settlement; and (b) Defendants' Counsel's receipt from Lead Counsel of the information necessary to effectuate a transfer of funds to the Escrow Account, including wiring instructions that include the bank name and ABA routing number, account name and number, and a signed W-9 reflecting a valid taxpayer identification number for the qualified settlement fund in which the Settlement Amount is to be deposited. No Defendant other than Kraton shall pay, or be liable to pay, any part of the Settlement Amount. The Settlement Amount is an all-in settlement number, meaning that it includes all attorneys' fees, administrative costs, taxes, expenses, Class Member benefits, class representative awards, and costs of any kind associated with the resolution of the Action. Under no circumstances shall Kraton or any other Defendant be required to pay more than the Settlement Amount pursuant to this Stipulation.

USE OF SETTLEMENT FUND

- 9. The Settlement Fund shall be used to pay: (a) any Taxes; (b) any Notice and Administration Costs; (c) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (d) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court. The balance remaining in the Settlement Fund, that is, the Net Settlement Fund, shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants as provided in ¶¶ 28-29 below. At such time as it is determined that the re-distribution of funds remaining in the Net Settlement Fund is not cost-effective, the remaining balance shall be contributed to to a non-sectarian, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization designated by Lead Plaintiff's Counsel..
- Fund shall remain in the Escrow Account until the Effective Date. All funds held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to be in the custody of the Court and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court until such time as the funds shall be distributed or returned pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation and/or further order of the Court. The Escrow Agent shall invest any funds in the Escrow Account exclusively in instruments or accounts backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government or fully insured by the United States Government or an agency thereof, including U.S. Treasury bills, a U.S. Treasury Fund, or a bank account that is either (a) fully insured by the Federal Deposit nsurance Corporation ("FDIC") or (b) secured by instruments backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government. The Escrow Agent shall reinvest the proceeds of these instruments or accounts as they mature in similar instruments or accounts at their then-current market rates. Defendants shall not bear any responsibility for or liability related to the investment of the Settlement Fund by the Escrow Agent.
- 11. The Parties agree that the Settlement Fund is intended to be a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 and that Lead Counsel, as

administrator of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall be solely responsible for filing or causing to be filed all informational and other tax returns as may be necessary or appropriate (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)) for the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel shall also be responsible for causing payment to be made from the Settlement Fund of any Taxes owed with respect to the Settlement Fund. Defendants' Releasees shall not have any liability or responsibility whatsoever for any such Taxes or for the acts or omissions of Lead Counsel or its agents with respect to the payment of Taxes. The Parties hereto agree to cooperate with the Escrow Agent, each other, and their tax attorneys and accountants to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this paragraph 11. Lead Counsel, as administrator of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall timely make such elections as are necessary or advisable to carry out this paragraph, including, as necessary, making a "relation back election," as described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1(j), to cause the Qualified Settlement Fund to come into existence at the earliest allowable date, and shall take or cause to be taken all actions as may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith.

12. All Taxes shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund and shall be timely paid by the Escrow Agent pursuant to the disbursement instructions to be set forth in the Escrow Agreement, and without further order of the Court. Any tax returns prepared for the Settlement Fund (as well as the election set forth therein) shall be consistent with the previous paragraph and in all events shall reflect that all Taxes on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund as provided herein. Defendants' Releasees shall not have any liability or responsibility whatsoever for any such Taxes. Defendants' Releasees shall have no responsibility

or liability whatsoever for the acts or omissions of Lead Counsel or its agents with respect to the payment of Taxes, as described herein.

- 13. No opinion or advice concerning the tax consequences of the proposed Settlement to individual Class Members is being given or will be given by the Parties or their counsel; nor is any representation or warranty in this regard made by virtue of this Stipulation. Each Class Member's tax obligations, and the determination thereof, are the sole responsibility of the Class Member, and it is understood that the tax consequences may vary depending on the particular circumstances of each individual Class Member.
- 14. The Settlement is non-recapture, *i.e.*, it is not a claims-made settlement. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, Kraton shall not have any right to the return of the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation, the number of Claim Forms submitted, the collective amount of recognized claims of Authorized Claimants, the percentage of recovery of losses, or the amounts to be paid to Authorized Claimants from the Net Settlement Fund.
- 15. Notwithstanding the fact that the Effective Date of the Settlement has not yet occurred, the Escrow Agent may pay from the Settlement Fund, without further approval from Defendants or further order of the Court, all Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred and paid or payable. In the event that the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation, all reasonable and necessary Notice and Administration Costs paid or incurred, including any related fees and Taxes, shall not be returned or repaid to Kraton.

ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION EXPENSES

16. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court for a collective award of attorneys' fees to Plaintiff's Counsel to be paid by the Escrow Agent from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Lead

Counsel also will apply to the Court for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, which may include a request for reimbursement of Plaintiff's costs and expenses, including time and/or lost wages incurred in prosecuting the Action, directly related to their representation of the Class, to be paid by the Escrow Agent from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Defendants will take no position on Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses. The attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded to Plaintiff's Counsel shall be payable solely by the Escrow Agent from the Settlement Fund. Defendants' Releasees shall not have any liability or responsibility whatsoever for any such attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded to Plaintiff's Counsel. An award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is not a necessary term of this Stipulation and is not a condition of the Settlement embodied herein. Neither Plaintiff nor Lead Counsel may cancel or terminate the Settlement based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses.

17. Any attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded by the Court shall be paid by the Escrow Agent to Lead Counsel immediately after entry by the Court of an orderawarding such fees and Litigation Expenses, notwithstanding the existence of any timely filed objections thereto, or potential for appeal therefrom, or collateral attack on the Settlement or any part thereof, subject to Plaintiff's Counsel's obligation to make appropriate refunds or repayments to the Settlement Fund, plus accrued interest at the same net rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, if the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation or if, as a result of any appeal or further proceedings on remand, or successful collateral attack, the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is reduced or reversed and such order reducing or reversing the award has become Final. Plaintiff's Counsel shall make the appropriate refund or repayment in full (including accrued interest) no later than twenty (20) calendar days after: (a)

receiving from Defendants' Counsel notice of the termination of the Settlement; or (b) any order reducing or reversing the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses has become Final. The balance of the attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses shall be paid by the Escrow Agent after the later of (a) the Effective Date; or (b) the finality of any appeals seeking to alter the award of attorneys' fees or expenses in the case.

18. Lead Counsel shall allocate the attorneys' fees awarded amongst Plaintiff's Counsel in a manner that it, in good faith, believes reflects the contributions of such counsel to the institution, prosecution and settlement of the Action. Defendants' Releasees shall have no responsibility for or liability whatsoever with respect to the allocation or award of attorneys' fees or Litigation Expenses.

NOTICE AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION

19. As part of the Preliminary Approval Order, Plaintiff shall seek appointment of the Claims Administrator. The Claims Administrator shall administer the Settlement, including but not limited to the processes of providing notice to the Class and receiving, reviewing and approving or denying Submitted Claims, under Lead Counsel's supervision and subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. Other than Kraton's obligation to provide or cause to be provided records as provided in ¶ 20 below, none of Defendants' Releasees shall have any involvement in or any responsibility, authority or liability whatsoever for the selection of the Claims Administrator, providing notice to the Class, the Plan of Allocation, the administration of the Settlement, the processing of Submitted Claims, or disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund, and shall have no liability whatsoever to any person or entity, including, but not limited to, Plaintiff, any other Class Members or Plaintiff's Counsel in connection with the foregoing. Defendants' Releasees shall take no position and have no involvement in the claims administration process.

- 20. In accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court, Lead Counsel shall cause the Claims Administrator to mail or email the Notice and proof of claim form to those members of the Class as may be identified through reasonable effort. Lead Counsel shall also cause the Claims Administrator to have the Summary Notice published in accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court. For the purposes of identifying and providing notice to the Class, within ten (10) calendar days of the date of entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, Kraton shall provide or cause its transfer agent to provide to the Claims Administrator in electronic format (at no cost to the Settlement Fund, Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator) its reasonably available shareholder lists (consisting of names and addresses) of the purchasers of Kraton Securities during the Class Period.
- 21. The Claims Administrator shall determine whether each Submitted Claim is valid, in whole or part, and, for each valid Submitted Claim, determine each Authorized Claimant's *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund based upon each Authorized Claimant's recognized claim compared to the total recognized claims of all Authorized Claimants (as set forth in the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to Exhibit A, or in such other plan of allocation as the Court approves).
- 22. The Plan of Allocation proposed in the Notice is not a necessary term of the Settlement or of this Stipulation and it is not a condition of the Settlement or of this Stipulation that any particular plan of allocation be approved by the Court. Plaintiff and Lead Counsel may not cancel or terminate the Settlement (or this Stipulation) based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation. Defendants will take no position on the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation. No Defendants'

Releasee shall have any involvement with or liability, obligation or responsibility whatsoever for the application of the Plan of Allocation.

- 23. Any Class Member who does not submit a valid Claim Form will not be entitled to receive any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund, but will otherwise be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and this Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or, the Alternate Judgment, if applicable, to be entered in the Action in the event that the Effective Date occurs.
- 24. Any Class Member seeking to exclude himself, herself or itself from the Class must timely submit records of all of his, her or its transactions in Kraton Securities during the Class Period sufficient to calculate the amount of his, her or its losses as calculated under the Plan of Allocation.
- 25. Lead Counsel shall be responsible for supervising the administration of the Settlement and the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund subject to Court approval. No Defendants' Releasee shall be permitted to contest or object to any Claim Form, or any decision of the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel with respect to accepting or rejecting any Submitted Claim for payment by a Class Member. Lead Counsel shall have the right, but not the obligation, to waive what it deems to be formal or technical defects in any Claim Forms submitted in the interests of achieving substantial justice.
- 26. For purposes of determining the extent, if any, to which a Class Member shall be entitled to be treated as an Authorized Claimant, the following conditions shall apply:
- (a) Each Class Member shall be required to submit a Claim Form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 to Exhibit A, supported by such documents as are designated therein, including proof of the Claimant's loss, or such other documents or proof as the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel, in their discretion, may deem acceptable;

- (b) All Claim Forms must be submitted by the date set by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order and specified in the Notice. Any Class Member who fails to submit a Claim Form by such date shall be forever barred from receiving any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund or payment pursuant to this Stipulation (unless by Order of the Court such Class Member's Claim Form is accepted), but shall in all other respects be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or any Alternate Judgment, if applicable. Provided that it is mailed by the claim-submission deadline, a Claim Form shall be deemed to be submitted when postmarked, if received with a postmark indicated on the envelope and if mailed by first-class mail and addressed in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Notice. In all other cases, the Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted on the date on which it was actually received by the Claims Administrator;
- (c) Each Claim Form shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Claims Administrator who shall determine in accordance with this Stipulation and the plan of allocation the extent, if any, to which each Submitted Claim shall be allowed, subject to review by the Court pursuant to subparagraph (e) below as necessary;
- (d) Claim Forms that do not meet the submission requirements may be rejected. Prior to rejecting a Submitted Claim in whole or in part, the Claims Administrator shall communicate with the Claimant in writing, either by mail or by email, to give the Claimant the chance to remedy any curable deficiencies in the Claim Form submitted. The Claims Administrator shall notify, in a timely fashion and in writing, either by mail or by email, all Claimants whose Submitted Claim the Claims Administrator proposes to reject in whole or in part, setting forth the reasons therefor, and shall indicate in such notice that the Claimant whose

Submitted Claim is to be rejected has the right to a review by the Court if the Claimant so desires and complies with the requirements of subparagraph (e) below; and

- (e) If any Claimant whose Submitted Claim has been rejected in whole or in part desires to contest such rejection, the Claimant must, within fourteen (14) calendar days after the date of mailing or emailing of the notice required in subparagraph (d) above, serve upon the Claims Administrator a notice and statement of reasons indicating the Claimant's grounds for contesting the rejection along with any supporting documentation, and requesting a review thereof by the Court. If a dispute concerning a Submitted Claim cannot be otherwise resolved, Lead Counsel shall thereafter present the request for review to the Court.
- 27. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the Claimant's Claim, and the Submitted Claim will be subject to investigation and discovery under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, provided, however, that such investigation and discovery shall be limited to that Claimant's status as a Class Member, including documentation demonstrating such status, and the validity and amount of the Claimant's Submitted Claim. No discovery whatsoever shall be allowed on the merits of this Action or of the Settlement in connection with the processing of Claim Forms.
- 28. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court, on notice to Defendants' Counsel, for a Class Distribution Order: (a) approving the Claims Administrator's administrative determinations concerning the acceptance and rejection of the Submitted Claims; (b) approving payment of any administration fees and expenses associated with the administration of the Settlement from the Escrow Account; and (c) if the Effective Date has occurred, directing payment of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants from the Escrow Account.

- 29. Payment pursuant to the Class Distribution Order shall be final and conclusive against all Class Members. All Class Members whose Submitted Claims are not approved by the Court for payment shall be barred from participating in distributions from the Net Settlement Fund, but otherwise shall be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, to be entered in this Action.
- 30. No person or entity shall have any Claim against Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel, the Claims Administrator or any other agent designated by Lead Counsel, any Defendants' Releasee, or Defendants' Counsel arising from distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation, the plan of allocation approved by the Court, or any order of the Court. Plaintiff and Defendants, and their respective counsel, and Plaintiff's damages expert and all other Releasees shall have no liability whatsoever for the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund, the plan of allocation, or the determination, administration, calculation, or payment of any Submitted Claim or nonperformance of the Claims Administrator, the payment or withholding of taxes (including interest and penalties) owed by the Settlement Fund, or any losses incurred in connection therewith.
- 31. All proceedings with respect to the administration, processing and determination of Submitted Claims and the determination of all controversies relating thereto, including disputed questions of law and fact with respect to the validity of Submitted Claims, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. All Class Members and Parties to this Settlement expressly waive trial by jury (to the extent any such right may exist) and any right of appeal or review with respect to determinations related to Submitted Claims.

TERMS OF THE JUDGMENT

32. If the Settlement contemplated by this Stipulation is approved by the Court, Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall request that the Court enter a Judgment, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT AND EFFECT OF DISAPPROVAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION

- 33. The Effective Date of the Settlement shall be deemed to occur on the occurrence or waiver of all of the following events:
- (a) the Court has entered the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, as required by ¶ 3 above;
- (b) the Settlement Amount has been deposited into the Escrow Account in accordance with the provisions of ¶ 8 above;
- (c) Defendants have not validly exercised their option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation (including the Supplemental Agreement described in ¶ 37 below);
- (d) Plaintiff has not validly exercised his option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation;
- (e) no less than one-hundred five (105) days after the Notice date, the Court has approved the Settlement as described herein, following notice to the Class and a hearing, as prescribed by Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and entered the Judgment or an Alternate Judgment; and
 - (f) the Judgment or the Alternate Judgment, if applicable, has become Final.

- 34. Upon the occurrence of all of the events referenced in ¶ 33 above, any and all remaining interest or right of Defendants in or to the Settlement Fund, if any, shall be absolutely and forever extinguished and the Releases herein shall be effective.
- 35. If (i) Defendants exercise their right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this Stipulation; (ii) Plaintiff exercises his right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this Stipulation; (iii) the Court disapproves the Settlement; or (iv) the Effective Date as to the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, then:
- (a) The Settlement and the relevant portions of this Stipulation shall be canceled and terminated.
- (b) Plaintiff and Defendants shall revert to their respective positions in the Action as of June 15, 2019.
- (c) The terms and provisions of this Stipulation, with the exception of this ¶ 35 and ¶¶ 15, 17, 39, and 58, shall have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and shall not be used in the Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any Judgment, or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Stipulation shall be treated as vacated, *nunc pro tunc*.
- (d) Within five (5) business days after joint written notification of termination is sent by Defendants' Counsel and Lead Counsel to the Escrow Agent, the Settlement Fund (including accrued interest thereon and any funds received by Lead Counsel consistent with ¶ 17 above), less any reasonable and necessary Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable and less any Taxes paid, due or owing shall be refunded by the Escrow Agent to Kraton.
- 36. It is further stipulated and agreed that Plaintiff and Kraton shall each have the right to terminate the Settlement and this Stipulation, by providing written notice of their election to do

so ("Termination Notice") to the other Party to this Stipulation within thirty (30) calendar days of:
(a) the Court's refusal to enter the Preliminary Approval Order in any material respect; (b) the
Court's final refusal to approve the Settlement or any material part thereof; (c) the Court's final
refusal to enter the Judgment in any material respect as to the Settlement; or (d) the date on which
the Judgment or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, is modified or reversed in any material respect
by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit or the United States Supreme Court.
However, any decision or proceeding, whether in this Court or any appellate court, with respect to
an application for attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses or with respect to any
plan of allocation shall not be considered material to the Settlement, shall not affect the finality of
any Judgment or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, and shall not be grounds for termination of the
Settlement.

37. In addition to the grounds set forth in ¶ 36 above, Kraton shall have the unilateral right to terminate the Settlement in the event that a threshold number of Class Members timely and validly requesting exclusion from the Class as set forth in Kraton's confidential supplemental agreement with Plaintiff (the "Supplemental Agreement"), in accordance with the terms of that agreement (the "Opt-Out Threshold"). The Supplemental Agreement, which is being executed concurrently herewith, shall not be filed with the Court and its terms shall not be disclosed in any other manner (other than the statements herein and in the Notice, to the extent necessary, or as otherwise provided in the Supplemental Agreement) unless and until the Court otherwise directs or a dispute arises between Plaintiff and Kraton concerning its interpretation or application, in which event the Parties shall submit the Supplemental Agreement to the Court *in camera* and request that the Court afford it confidential treatment.

38. If Kraton (or its designee(s) or successor(s)) does not pay or cause to be paid the Settlement Amount within the time specified in paragraph 8 of this Stipulation, then Lead Counsel, in its sole discretion, may elect, at any time prior to the Court entering the Judgment: (i) to terminate the Settlement by providing written notice to Defendants' Counsel; or (ii) to enforce the terms of the Settlement and this Stipulation and seek entry of a judgment effecting the terms in this Stipulation.

NO ADMISSION OF WRONGDOING

- 39. Neither the memorandum of understanding executed by the parties (the "Memorandum of Understanding"), this Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits hereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Memorandum of Understanding and this Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with the Memorandum of Understanding, this Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):
- (a) shall be offered against any of Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff or the validity of any Claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation;

- (b) shall be offered against any of Plaintiff's Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of Plaintiff's Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of Plaintiff's Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation; or
- (c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount that could be or would have been recovered after trial; *provided, however*, that if this Stipulation is approved by the Court, the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to it to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 40. All of the exhibits attached hereto are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that there exists a conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Stipulation and the terms of any exhibit attached hereto, the terms of the Stipulation shall prevail.
- 41. In the event of the entry of a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction determining the transfer of money to the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof by or on behalf of Defendants to be a preference, voidable transfer, fraudulent transfer or similar transaction and any portion thereof is required to be returned, and such amount is not promptly deposited into the Settlement Fund by others, then, at the election of Plaintiff, Plaintiff and Defendants shall jointly

move the Court to vacate and set aside the Releases given and the Judgment or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, entered in favor of Defendants and the other Releasees pursuant to this Stipulation, in which event the releases and Judgment, or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, shall be null and void, and the Parties shall be restored to their respective positions in the litigation as provided in ¶ 35 above and any cash amounts in the Settlement Fund (less any Taxes paid, due or owing with respect to the Settlement Fund and less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable) shall be returned as provided in ¶ 35.

- 42. The Parties intend this Stipulation and the Settlement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes asserted or that could be asserted by Plaintiff and any other Class Members against all of Defendants' Releasees with respect to the Released Plaintiff's Claims. Accordingly, Plaintiff and his counsel and Defendants and their counsel agree not to assert in any forum that this Action was frivolous, or was brought by Plaintiff or defended by Defendants in bad faith or without a reasonable basis. No Party shall assert any claims of any violation of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or other court rule or statute, relating to the institution, prosecution, defense, or settlement of this Action. The Parties agree that the amounts paid and the other terms of the Settlement were negotiated at arm's-length and in good faith by the Parties, and reflect the Settlement that was reached voluntarily after extensive negotiations and consultation with experienced legal counsel, who were fully competent to assess the strengths and weaknesses of their respective clients' claims or defenses. The Parties agree to act in good faith and take all reasonably necessary actions to effectuate the terms of the Settlement.
- 43. There will be no public announcements regarding the Settlement until Kraton has announced or disclosed it. Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel and Defendants and Defendants' Counsel shall not make any accusations of wrongful or actionable conduct or bad faith by either

Party concerning the prosecution, defense, and resolution of the Action, and shall not otherwise suggest that the Settlement constitutes an admission of any claim or defense alleged.

- 44. The terms of the Settlement, as reflected in this Stipulation, may not be modified or amended, nor may any of its provisions be waived except by a writing signed on behalf of Plaintiff and Defendants (or their successors-in-interest).
- 45. The headings herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are not meant to have legal effect.
- 46. The administration and consummation of the Settlement as embodied in this Stipulation shall be under the authority of the Court, and the Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of entering orders providing for awards of attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses to Plaintiff's Counsel and enforcing the terms of this Stipulation, including the Plan of Allocation (or such other plan of allocation as may be approved by the Court) and the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Class Members.
- 47. The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Stipulation by any other Party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Stipulation.
- 48. This Stipulation and its exhibits and the Supplemental Agreement constitute the entire agreement among Plaintiff and Defendants concerning the Settlement and this Stipulation and its exhibits. All Parties acknowledge that no other agreements, representations, warranties, or inducements have been made by any Party hereto concerning this Stipulation, its exhibits or the Supplemental Agreement other than those contained and memorialized in such documents.
- 49. This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by signature transmitted via facsimile, or by a .pdf/.tif image of the signature transmitted via email.

 All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument.

- 50. This Stipulation shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties, including any and all Releasees and any corporation, partnership, or other entity into or with which any Party hereto may merge, consolidate or reorganize.
- 51. The construction, interpretation, operation, effect and validity of this Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and all documents necessary to effectuate it shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Texas without regard to conflicts of laws, except to the extent that federal law requires that federal law govern.
- 52. Any action arising under or to enforce this Stipulation or any portion thereof, shall be commenced and maintained only in the Court.
- 53. This Stipulation shall not be construed more strictly against one Party than another merely by virtue of the fact that it, or any part of it, may have been prepared by counsel for one of the Parties, it being recognized that it is the result of arm's-length negotiations between the Parties and all Parties have contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Stipulation.
- 54. All counsel and any other person executing this Stipulation and any of the exhibits hereto, or any related Settlement documents, warrant and represent that they have the full authority to do so and that they have the authority to take appropriate action required or permitted to be taken pursuant to the Stipulation to effectuate its terms.
- 55. Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate fully with one another in seeking Court approval of the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement, as embodied in this Stipulation, and to use best efforts to promptly agree upon and execute all such other documentation as may be reasonably required to obtain final approval by the Court of the Settlement.

56. If any Party is required to give notice to another Party under this Stipulation, such notice shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given upon receipt of hand delivery or facsimile or email transmission, with confirmation of receipt. Notice shall be provided as follows:

If to Plaintiff or Lead Counsel: The Rosen Law Firm, P.A.

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- 57. Except as otherwise provided herein, each Party shall bear its own costs.
- 58. Whether or not the Stipulation is approved by the Court and whether or not the Stipulation is consummated, or the Effective Date occurs, the Parties and their counsel shall use their best efforts to keep all negotiations, discussions, acts performed, agreements, drafts, and proceedings in connection with the Stipulation confidential.
- 59. All agreements made and orders entered during the course of the Action relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Stipulation to be executed, by their duly authorized attorneys, as of November 15, 2019.

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Exhibit A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GREG HRASOK, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 4:18-cv-591-GCH

KRATON CORPORATION, KEVIN M. FOGARTY, and STEPHEN E. TREMBLAY,

Defendants.

[PROPOSED] ORDER PRELIMINARILY APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE WHEREAS, a class action is pending in this Court entitled *Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al.*, No. 4:18-cv-00591-GCH (the "Action")¹;

WHEREAS, solely for the purposes of this Settlement, the Parties stipulate to certification of a settlement class (the "Class"), which consists of all persons and entities, other than Defendants and their affiliates, who purchased or otherwise acquired publicly traded securities of Kraton between October 25, 2017 and February 21, 2018, both dates inclusive (the "Class Period");²

WHEREAS, (a) Lead Plaintiff Greg Hrasok ("Plaintiff"), on behalf of himself and the Class (defined below); and (b) defendants Kevin M. Fogarty, Stephen E. Tremblay (collectively, with defendant Fogarty, the "Individual Defendants") and Kraton Corporation ("Kraton" or the "Company" and collectively, with the Individual Defendants, "Defendants"), have determined to settle all claims asserted against Defendants in the Action with prejudice on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation, subject to approval of this Court (the "Settlement");

WHEREAS, Plaintiff has made an application, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for an order preliminarily approving the Settlement in accordance with the Stipulation and allowing notice to Class Members as more fully described herein; and

¹ All capitalized terms used in this Order that are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated November 15, 2019 (the "Stipulation").

² Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the present and former officers and directors of Kraton at all relevant times; members of their Immediate Families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which any of the Defendants, or any person excluded from the definition of "Class," has or had a majority ownership interest. Also excluded from the Class are any persons and entities who or that submit a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court.

WHEREAS, the Court has read and considered: (a) Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, and the papers filed and arguments made in connection therewith; and (b) the Stipulation and the exhibits attached thereto;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Pursuant to Rule 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and for the purposes of the Settlement only, the Action is hereby preliminarily certified as a class action on behalf of all Persons (including, without limitation, their beneficiaries) who purchased Kraton Securities on a United States Exchange during the period from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive. Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the present and former officers and directors of Kraton at all relevant times; members of their Immediate Families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which any of the Defendants, or any person excluded under this provision, has or had a majority ownership interest. Also excluded from the Class are any persons and entities who or that submits a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court.
- 2. This Court finds, preliminarily and only for purposes of this Settlement, that the Settlement Class satisfies the prerequisites for a class action under Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in that: (a) the number of Settlement Class Members is so numerous that joinder of all members of the Settlement Class is impracticable; (b) there are questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class; (c) Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class he seeks to represent; (d) Plaintiff fairly and adequately represent the interests of the Settlement Class; (e) questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class predominate over any questions affecting only individual members of the Settlement Class; and

(f) a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the Action.

- 3. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, preliminarily and only for the purposes of this Settlement only, Plaintiff is certified as the class representative on behalf of the Settlement Class ("Class Representative") and Lead Counsel, previously selected by Lead Plaintiff and appointed by the Court, is hereby appointed as Lead Counsel for the Settlement Class.
- 4. The Court finds that (a) the Stipulation resulted from good faith, arm's length negotiations, and (b) the Stipulation is sufficiently fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class Members to warrant providing notice of the Settlement to Settlement Class Members and holding a Settlement Hearing.
- 5. <u>Preliminary Approval of the Settlement</u> The Court hereby preliminarily approves the Settlement, as embodied in the Stipulation, as being fair, reasonable and adequate to the Class, subject to further consideration at the Settlement Hearing to be conducted as described below.
- 6. Settlement Hearing The Court will hold a settlement hearing (the "Settlement Hearing") on ________, 2020 (105 days from the Notice date) at __:___.m. in Courtroom ___, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk, Houston, TX 77208, for the following purposes: (a) to determine whether the proposed Settlement on the terms and conditions provided for in the Stipulation is fair, reasonable and adequate to the Class, and should be approved by the Court; (b) to determine whether a Judgment substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Stipulation should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice against Defendants; (c) to determine whether the proposed Plan of Allocation for the proceeds of the Settlement is fair and reasonable and should be approved; (d) to

determine whether the motion by Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should be approved; and (e) to consider any other matters that may properly be brought before the Court in connection with the Settlement. Notice of the Settlement and the Settlement Hearing shall be given to Class Members as set forth in paragraph 4 of this Order.

- 7. The Court may adjourn the Settlement Hearing without further notice to the Class and may approve the proposed Settlement with such modifications as the Parties may agree to, if appropriate, without further notice to the Class.
- 8. Retention of Claims Administrator and Manner of Giving Notice Lead Counsel is hereby authorized to retain Strategic Claims Services (the "Claims Administrator") to supervise and administer the notice procedure in connection with the proposed Settlement as well as the processing of Claims as more fully set forth below. Notice of the Settlement and the Settlement Hearing shall be given by Lead Counsel as follows:
- (a) within ten (10) calendar days of the date of entry of this Order, Kraton shall provide or cause to be provided to the Claims Administrator in electronic format (at no cost to the Settlement Fund, Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator) its reasonably available shareholder lists (consisting of names and addresses) of the purchasers of the Kraton Securities during the Class Period;
- (b) not later than twenty (20) calendar days after the date of entry of this Order (the "Notice Date"), the Claims Administrator shall cause a copy of the Notice and the Claim Form, substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits 1 and 2, respectively (the "Notice Packet"), to be mailed by first-class mail or emailed to potential Class Members at the addresses or email addresses set forth in the records provided to the Claims Administrator by Kraton or in

the records which Kraton caused to be provided to the Claims Administrator, or who otherwise may be identified through further reasonable effort;

- (c) contemporaneously with the mailing and/or emailing of the Notice Packet, the Claims Administrator shall cause copies of the Notice and the Claim Form to be posted on a website to be developed for the Settlement, from which copies of the Notice and Claim Form can be downloaded;
- (d) not later than thirty (30) calendar days after the Notice Date, the Claims Administrator shall cause the Summary Notice, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 3, to be published once in *Investor's Business Daily* and to be transmitted once over the *PR Newswire*; and
- (e) not later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, Lead Counsel shall serve on Defendants' Counsel and file with the Court proof, by affidavit or declaration, of such mailing or emailing, and of publication.
- 9. Approval of Form and Content of Notice The Court (a) approves, as to form and content, the Notice, the Claim Form, and the Summary Notice, attached hereto as Exhibits 1, 2, and 3, respectively, and (b) finds that the mailing and distribution of the Notice and Claim Form and the publication of the Summary Notice in the manner and form set forth in paragraph 4 of this Order (i) is the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that is reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action, of the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the Releases to be provided thereunder), of Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, of their right to object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, of their right to exclude

themselves from the Class, and of their right to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (iii) constitutes due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (iv) satisfies the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended, and all other applicable laws and rules. The date and time of the Settlement Hearing shall be included in the Notice and Summary Notice before they are mailed (or emailed) and published, respectively.

10. Nominee Procedures – Brokers and other nominees who purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities during the Class Period, for the benefit of another person or entity, shall (a) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the Notice, request from the Claims Administrator sufficient copies of the Notice Packet to forward to all such beneficial owners and within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of those Notice Packets forward them to all such beneficial owners; or (b) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the Notice, send a list of the names and addresses of all such beneficial owners to the Claims Administrator, in which event the Claims Administrator shall promptly mail the Notice Packet to such beneficial owners. Upon full compliance with this Order, such nominees may seek reimbursement of their reasonable expenses actually incurred in complying with this Order, in an amount not to exceed \$0.20 plus postage at the current pre-sort rate used by the Claims Administrator per Notice Packet; or \$0.05 per Notice Packet transmitted by email; or \$0.10 per name, mailing address, and email address (to the extent available) provided to the Claims Administrator, by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Such properly documented expenses incurred by nominees in compliance with the terms of this Order shall be paid from the Settlement Fund, with any disputes as to the reasonableness or documentation of expenses incurred subject to review by the Court.

- Participation in the Settlement Class Members who wish to participate in the Settlement and be eligible to receive a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund must complete and submit a Claim Form in accordance with the instructions contained therein. Unless the Court orders otherwise, all Claim Forms must be postmarked no later than eighty (80) calendar days after the Notice Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lead Counsel may, at its discretion, accept for processing late Submitted Claims provided such acceptance does not delay the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to the Class. By submitting a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator (a "Submitted Claim"), a person or entity shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to his, her or its Submitted Claim and the subject matter of the Settlement.
- 22. Each Submitted Claim must satisfy the following conditions: (a) it must be properly completed, signed and submitted in a timely manner in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph; (b) it must be accompanied by adequate supporting documentation for the transactions and holdings reported therein, in the form of broker confirmation slips, broker account statements, an authorized statement from the broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement, or such other documentation as is deemed adequate by Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator; (c) if the person executing the Claim Form is acting in a representative capacity, a certification of his, her or its current authority to act on behalf of the Class Member must be included in the Claim Form to the satisfaction of Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator; and (d) the Claim Form must be complete and contain no material deletions or modifications of any of the printed matter contained therein and must be signed under penalty of perjury.

- 13. Any Class Member that does not timely and validly submit a Claim Form or whose Submitted Claim is not otherwise approved by the Court: (a) shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to share in the Net Settlement Fund; (b) shall be forever barred from participating in any distributions therefrom; and (c) shall be bound by the provisions of the Stipulation and the Settlement and all proceedings, determinations, orders and judgments in the Action relating thereto, including, without limitation, the Judgment or Alternate Judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, late Claim Forms may be accepted for processing as set forth in paragraph 7 above.
- Exclusion From the Class Any member of the Class who wishes to exclude 14. himself, herself or itself from the Class must request exclusion in writing within the time and in the manner set forth in the Notice, which shall provide that: (a) any such request for exclusion from the Class must be mailed or delivered such that it is received no later than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, by EXCLUSIONS-Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al, c/o Strategic Claims Services, P.O. 230, 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205, Media, PA 19063; and (b) each request for exclusion must (i) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity requesting exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (ii) state that such person or entity "requests exclusion from the Class in Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al., No. 4:18-cv-00591-KMH"; (iii) state the number of shares of Kraton Securities that the person or entity requesting exclusion purchased, acquired, and/or sold during the Class Period, as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase/acquisition and sale; (iv) provide adequate supporting documentation for the transactions for which the Class Member seeks exclusion in the form of broker confirmation slips, broker account statements, an authorized statement from the broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement, or such other documentation as is deemed adequate by

Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel; and (v) be signed by the person or entity requesting exclusion or an authorized representative. A request for exclusion shall not be effective unless it provides all the required information and documentation and is received within the time stated above, or is otherwise accepted by the Court. The failure of any request for exclusion to contain all of the information necessary for the Parties or the Claims Administrator to determine the loss, if any, suffered by the individual or entity seeking such exclusion will constitute sufficient grounds to deny any such request for exclusion.

- 15. Any person or entity who or which timely and validly requests exclusion in compliance with the terms stated in this Order and is excluded from the Class shall not be a Class Member, shall not be bound by the terms of the Settlement or any orders or judgments in the Action and shall not receive any payment out of the Net Settlement Fund.
- 16. Any Class Member who or which does not timely and validly request exclusion from the Class in the manner stated in this Order: (a) shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to be excluded from the Class; (b) shall be forever barred from requesting exclusion from the Class in this or any other proceeding; (c) shall be bound by the provisions of the Stipulation and Settlement and all proceedings, determinations, orders and judgments in the Action, including, but not limited to, the Judgment or Alternate Judgment, if applicable, and the Releases provided for therein, whether favorable or unfavorable to the Class; and (d) will be barred from commencing, maintaining or prosecuting any of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of Defendants' Releasees, as more fully described in the Stipulation and the Notice.
- 17. <u>Appearance and Objections at Settlement Hearing</u> Any Class Member who does not request exclusion from the Class may enter an appearance in the Action, at his, her or its own expense, individually or through counsel of his, her or its own choice, by filing with the Clerk

of Court and delivering a notice of appearance to both Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel, at the addresses set forth in paragraph 18 below, such that it is received no later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, or as the Court may otherwise direct. Any Class Member who does not enter an appearance will be represented by Lead Counsel.

18. Any Class Member who does not request exclusion from the Class may file a written objection to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and/or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and appear and show cause, if he, she or it has any cause, why the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should not be approved; *provided, however*, that no Class Member shall be heard or entitled to contest the approval of the terms and conditions of the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and/or the motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses unless that person or entity has filed a written objection with the Court and served copies of such objection on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth below such that they are received no later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing.

Lead Counsel

The Rosen Law Firm P.A.
Daniel Tyre-Karp, Esq.
275 Madison Avenue, 40th Floor
New York, New York 10017

Defendants' Counsel

Baker & McKenzie LLP Elizabeth L. Yingling 1900 North Pearl Street, Suite 1500 Dallas, Texas 75201

19. Any objections, filings and other submissions by the objecting Class Member:
(a) must state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity objecting and must

be signed by the objector; (b) must contain a statement of the Class Member's objection or objections, and the specific reasons for each objection, including any legal and evidentiary support the Class Member wishes to bring to the Court's attention; and (c) must include documents sufficient to prove membership in the Class, including the number of shares of Kraton Securities that the Class Member purchased, acquired, and/or sold during the Class Period, as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase/acquisition and/or sale; (d) the name, address, and telephone number of all counsel who represent the Class Member, including former or current counsel who may be entitled to compensation in connection with the objection; (e) a statement confirming whether the Class Member and/or the Class Member's counsel plans to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (f) the name, address, and telephone number of any counsel that will appear at the Settlement Hearing; and (g) the number of times the Class Member filed an objection in the previous five years and the nature of each objection to each case in which the Class Member filed an objection in the previous five years. Objectors who enter an appearance and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Hearing in support of their objection must include in their written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses they may call to testify and any exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the hearing.

20. Any Class Member who or which does not make his, her or its objection in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to object to any aspect of the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and shall be forever barred and foreclosed from objecting to the fairness, reasonableness or adequacy of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or the requested attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses, or from otherwise being

heard concerning the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or the requested attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses in this or any other proceeding.

- 21. <u>Stay and Temporary Injunction</u> Until otherwise ordered by the Court, the Court stays all proceedings in the Action other than proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of the Stipulation. Pending final determination of whether the Settlement should be approved, the Court bars and enjoins Plaintiff, and all other members of the Class, from commencing or prosecuting any and all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against each and all of Defendants' Releasees.
- 22. <u>Settlement Administration Fees and Expenses</u> All reasonable costs incurred in identifying Class Members and notifying them of the Settlement as well as in administering the Settlement shall be paid as set forth in the Stipulation without further order of the Court.
- 23. <u>Settlement Fund</u> The contents of the Settlement Fund held by M&T Bank (which the Court approves as the Escrow Agent), shall be deemed and considered to be *in custodia legis* of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as they shall be distributed pursuant to the Stipulation and/or further order(s) of the Court.
- 24. <u>Taxes</u> Lead Counsel is authorized and directed to prepare any tax returns and any other tax reporting form for or in respect to the Settlement Fund, to pay from the Settlement Fund any Taxes owed with respect to the Settlement Fund, and to otherwise perform all obligations with respect to Taxes and any reporting or filings in respect thereof without further order of the Court in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Stipulation.
- 25. <u>Termination of Settlement</u> If the Settlement is terminated as provided in the Stipulation, the Settlement is not approved, or the Effective Date of the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, this Order shall be vacated, rendered null and void and be of no further force and effect,

except as otherwise provided by the Stipulation, and this Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of Plaintiffs, the other Class Members and Defendants, and the Parties shall revert to their respective positions in the Action as of June 15, 2019, as provided in the Stipulation.

26. Use of this Order – Neither this Order, the Memorandum of Understanding, the Stipulation (whether or not the Settlement is consummated), including the exhibits thereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Memorandum of Understanding and the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with the Memorandum of Understanding, the Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith): (a) shall be offered against any of Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff or the validity of any Claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; (b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiff's Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiff's Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as

against any of the Plaintiff's Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or

proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the

Stipulation; or (c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or

presumption that the consideration to be given under the Settlement represents the amount which

could be or would have been recovered after trial; provided, however, that if the Stipulation is

approved by the Court, the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to it

to effectuate the protections from liability granted thereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of

the Settlement.

27. Supporting Papers – Lead Counsel shall file and serve the opening papers in

support of the proposed Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and Lead Counsel's motion for an

award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses no later than thirty (30)

calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing; and reply papers, if any, shall be filed and served

no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing.

28. The Court retains jurisdiction to consider all further applications arising out of or

connected with the proposed Settlement.

SO ORDERED this ______ day of ________, 2019.

The Honorable George C. Hanks, Jr. United States District Judge

Exhibit A-1

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GREG HRASOK, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 4:18-cv-591-GCH

KRATON CORPORATION, KEVIN M. FOGARTY, and STEPHEN E. TREMBLAY,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT; (II) SETTLEMENT HEARING; AND (III) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

A Federal Court authorized this Notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION: Please be advised that your rights may be affected by the above-captioned securities class action (the "Action") pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Court"), if you purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Corporation ("Kraton") common stock ("Securities") during the period from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive (the "Class Period") (the "Class").

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT: Please also be advised that the Court-appointed Lead Plaintiff Greg Hrasok ("Plaintiff"), on behalf of himself and the Class (as defined in ¶ 20 below), has reached a proposed settlement of the Action for \$1,500,000 that, if approved, will resolve all claims in the Action (the "Settlement").

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. This Notice explains important rights you may have, including the possible receipt of proceeds from the Settlement. If you are a member of the Class, your legal rights will be affected if you do not act.

If you have any questions about this Notice, the proposed Settlement, or your eligibility to participate in the Settlement, please DO NOT contact Kraton, any other defendants in the Action, or their counsel. All questions should be directed to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator ($see \ \ 61 \ below$).

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¹ All capitalized terms used in this Notice that are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated November 15, 2019 (the "Stipulation"), which is available at www.KratonSettlement.com.

- 1. <u>Description of the Action and the Class</u>: This Notice relates to a proposed Settlement of claims in a pending securities class action brought by investors alleging, among other things, that defendants Kraton, Kevin M. Fogarty, and Stephen E. Tremblay (collectively, the "Defendants") violated the federal securities laws by making false and misleading statements and omissions relating to the Cariflex manufacturing process. A more detailed description of the Action is set forth in paragraphs 11-19 below. The proposed Settlement, if approved by the Court, will settle claims of the Class, as defined in paragraph 61 below.
- 2. <u>Statement of the Class's Recovery:</u> Subject to Court approval, Plaintiff, on behalf of himself and the Class, has agreed to settle the Action in exchange for a cash settlement payment of \$1,500,000 (the "Settlement Amount") to be deposited into an escrow account. The Net Settlement Fund (*i.e.*, the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon (the "Settlement Fund") less (a) any Taxes, (b) any Notice and Administration Costs, (c) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court, and (d) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court) will be distributed in accordance with a plan of allocation that is approved by the Court, which will determine how the Net Settlement Fund shall be allocated among members of the Class. The proposed plan of allocation (the "Plan of Allocation") is set forth on pages [] below.
- 3. Estimate of Average Amount of Recovery Per Share: Plaintiff's damages expert estimates that approximately 1.78 million shares of Kraton Securities purchased during the Class Period may have been affected by the alleged conduct at issue in the Action. If all eligible Class Members elect to participate in the Settlement, the estimated average recovery would be approximately \$0.84 per affected share (before the deduction of any Court-approved fees, expenses and costs as described herein). Class Members should note, however, that the foregoing is only an estimate. Some Class Members may recover more or less than these estimated amounts depending on, among other factors, when and at what prices they purchased/acquired or sold/disposed of their Kraton Securities, and the total number of valid Claim Forms submitted. Distributions to Class Members will be made based on the Plan of Allocation set forth herein (see pages [] below) or such other plan of allocation as may be ordered by the Court.
- 4. <u>Average Amount of Damages Per Share</u>: The Parties do not agree on the average amount of damages per share that would be recoverable if Plaintiff were to prevail in the Action. Among other things, Defendants do not agree with Plaintiff's allegation that they violated the federal securities laws or that any damages were suffered by any members of the Class as a result of their alleged conduct.
- 5. Attorneys' Fees and Expenses Sought: Plaintiff's Counsel, which have been prosecuting the Action on a wholly contingent basis since its inception, have not received any payment of attorneys' fees for their representation of the Class and have advanced the funds to pay expenses necessarily incurred to prosecute this Action. Court-appointed Lead Counsel, The Rosen Law Firm, P.A., will apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees for all Plaintiff's Counsel in an amount not to exceed 25% of the Settlement Fund (which includes accrued interest). In addition, Lead Counsel will apply for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses paid or incurred in connection with the institution, prosecution and resolution of the claims against the Defendants, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, which may include an application for reimbursement of the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Plaintiff directly related to his representation of the Class. Any fees and expenses awarded by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses. If the maximum amounts are requested and the Court approves Lead Counsel's fee and expense application, the estimated average amount

of fees and expenses, assuming claims are filed for all affected shares, will be approximately \$0.24 per affected Kraton Security.

- 6. <u>Identification of Class Counsel</u>: Plaintiff and the Class are represented by Laurence Rosen, Esq. of The Rosen Law Firm, P.A., 275 Madison Avenue, 34th Floor, New York, NY 10016, (212) 686-1060, kratonsettlement@rosenlegal.com.
- 7. Reasons for the Settlement: Plaintiff's principal reason for entering into the Settlement is the substantial immediate cash benefit for the Class without the risk or the delays inherent in further litigation. Moreover, the substantial cash benefit provided under the Settlement must be considered against the significant risk that a smaller recovery or indeed no recovery at all might be achieved after contested motions, a trial of the Action and the likely appeals that would follow a trial. This process could be expected to last several years. Defendants, who deny all allegations of wrongdoing or liability whatsoever, are entering into the Settlement solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further protracted litigation.

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SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN, 2020 (80 days after the Notice date).	This is the only way to be eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement Fund. If you are a Class Member and you remain in the Class, you will be bound by the Settlement as approved by the Court and you will give up any Released Plaintiff's Claims (defined in ¶ 29 below) that you have against Defendants' Releasees (defined in ¶ 30 below), so it is in your interest to submit a Claim Form.				
EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE CLASS BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN, 2020 (30 days before the Settlement Hearing).	If you exclude yourself from the Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. Excluding yourself from the Class is the only option that allows you ever to be part of any other lawsuit against any of Defendants' Releasees concerning the Released Plaintiff's Claims.				
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN OBJECTION SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN	If you do not like the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, you may write to the Court and explain why you do not like them. You cannot object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or the fee and expense request unless you are a Class Member and do not exclude yourself from the Class.				
GO TO A HEARING ON, 2020 (105 days after the Notice date)AT _:M., AND FILE AN	Filing a written objection and notice of intention to appear by, 2020 (14 days before the Settlement Hearing) allows you to speak in Court, at the discretion of the Court, about the fairness of the proposed Settlement, the Plan of				

OBJECTION AND A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPEAR SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN	Allocation, and/or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. If you submit a written objection, you may (but you do not have to) attend the hearing and, at the discretion of the Court, speak to the Court about your objection.				
DO NOTHING.	If you are a member of the Class and you do not submit a valid Claim Form, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. You will, however, remain a member of the Class, which means that you give up your right to sue about the claims that are resolved by the Settlement and you will be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action.				

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WHY DID I GET THIS NOTICE?

8. The Court directed that this Notice be mailed to you because you or someone in your family or an investment account for which you serve as a custodian may have purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities during the Class Period. The Court has directed us to send you this Notice because, as a potential Class Member, you have a right to know about your options before

the Court rules on the proposed Settlement. Additionally, you have the right to understand how this class action lawsuit may generally affect your legal rights. If the Court approves the Settlement, and the Plan of Allocation (or some other plan of allocation), the claims administrator selected by Plaintiff and approved by the Court will make payments pursuant to the Settlement after any objections and appeals are resolved.

- 9. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of the existence of this case, that it is a class action, how you might be affected, how to file a claim form, how to object to the Settlement, and how to exclude yourself from the Class if you wish to do so. It is also being sent to inform you of the terms of the proposed Settlement, and of a hearing to be held by the Court to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and the motion by Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Settlement Hearing"). See paragraph 52 below for details about the Settlement Hearing, including the date and location of the hearing.
- 10. The issuance of this Notice is not an expression of any opinion by the Court concerning the merits of any claim in the Action, and the Court still has to decide whether to approve the Settlement. If the Court approves the Settlement and a plan of allocation, then payments to Authorized Claimants will be made after any appeals are resolved and after the completion of all claims processing. Please be patient, as this process can take some time to complete.

WHAT IS THIS CASE ABOUT?

- 11. Kraton is a global specialty chemicals company that manufactures styrenic block copolymers, specialty polymers, and high-value performance products primarily derived from pine wood pulping co-products. The Action arises out of alleged misrepresentations and omissions made by Defendants from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive (the "Class Period").
- 12. On February 26, 2018, the Action was filed by Plaintiff against Defendants in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, bearing the docket number 4:18-cv-591-KMH.
- 13. On June 26, 2018, the Court entered an order appointing Greg Hrasok, as Lead Plaintiff for the Action pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 ("PSLRA"). The Court also approved Lead Plaintiff's selection of The Rosen Law Firm, P.A. as Lead Counsel for the putative class.
- 14. On August 27, 2018, Plaintiff filed the Amended Class Action Complaint for Violation of the Federal Securities Laws (the "Complaint"), asserting claims under Sections 10(b), 20(a), and 20A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. Among other things, the Complaint alleges that Defendants violated the Exchange Act by misrepresenting the true state of, and failing to disclose flaws in, the new manufacturing process for Cariflex during the Class Period. The Complaint alleges that, as a result of the alleged misrepresentations and omissions relating to the Cariflex manufacturing process, the price of Kraton's common stock was artificially inflated during the Class Period. The Complaint further alleges that the true state of the Cariflex manufacturing process was later publicly disclosed in the Company's 2017 Form 10-K, filed on February 21, 2018, when the Company disclosed a \$7.6 million negative impact on the Company's fourth quarter 2017 Adjusted EBITDA due to the

manufacturing problems. The Complaint further alleges that in response to this news, the price of the Company's stock dropped \$7.69 per share, causing investor losses. Finally, the Complaint alleges that Defendants Fogarty and Tremblay violated the Exchange Act by selling shares of Kraton Securities at artificially inflated prices in the months between the material misstatements and the corrective disclosure.

- 15. On October 11, 2018, Defendants moved to dismiss the Complaint for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rules 9(b) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. Among other things, Defendants argued that Plaintiff failed to adequately plead any materially misleading statements or omissions and, further, failed to plead a strong inference of scienter. Defendants sought dismissal of the Complaint in its entirety with prejudice. Briefing on the Motion to Dismiss was completed on December 17, 2018, when Defendants filed their Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss Amended Complaint. The Court has not ruled on the Motion to Dismiss.
- 16. In March 2019, the Parties began discussing a potential settlement of the Action to minimize the risk, costs and burdens of further litigation. On June 13, 2019, the Parties entered into a memorandum of understanding to settle the Action for \$1.5 million.
- 17. Based upon their investigation and prosecution of the case, Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of this Stipulation are fair, reasonable and adequate to Plaintiff and the other members of the Class, and in their best interests. Based on Plaintiff's direct oversight of the prosecution of this matter and with the advice of his counsel, Plaintiff has agreed to settle and release the claims that were asserted or could have been asserted in the Action pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Stipulation, after considering, among other things: (a) the substantial financial benefit that Plaintiff and the other members of the Class will receive under the proposed Settlement; and (b) the significant risks and costs of continued litigation and trial.
- 18. This Stipulation constitutes a compromise of matters that are in dispute between the Parties. Defendants are entering into this Stipulation solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further litigation. Each of the Defendants denies any wrongdoing, and this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of any of Defendants' Releasees with respect to any claim or allegation of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage whatsoever, or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have, or could have, asserted. Defendants expressly deny that Plaintiff has asserted any valid claims as to any of them, and expressly deny any and all allegations of fault, liability, wrongdoing or damages whatsoever. Plaintiff is not aware of any breach of fiduciary duties by Defendants associated or related to or arising from any of the allegations in the Complaint. Similarly, this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of Plaintiff of any infirmity in any of the claims asserted in the Action, or an admission or concession that any of the Defendants' defenses to liability had any merit.
- 19. On _______, 2019, the Court preliminarily approved the Settlement, authorized this Notice to be disseminated to potential Class Members, and scheduled the Settlement Hearing to consider whether to grant final approval to the Settlement.

HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT? WHO IS INCLUDED IN THE CLASS?

20. If you are a member of the Class, you are subject to the Settlement, unless you timely request to be excluded. The Class consists of:

all persons and/or entities that purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities between October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive.

Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the present and former officers and directors of Kraton at all relevant times; members of their Immediate Families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which any of the Defendants, or any person excluded under this provision, has or had a majority ownership interest. Also excluded from the Class are any persons and entities who or that submits a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court. *See* "What If I Do Not Want To Be A Member Of The Class? How Do I Exclude Myself," on page [] below.

PLEASE NOTE: RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU ARE A CLASS MEMBER OR THAT YOU WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PROCEEDS FROM THE SETTLEMENT. IF YOU ARE A CLASS MEMBER AND YOU WISH TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS FROM THE SETTLEMENT, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE CLAIM FORM THAT IS BEING DISTRIBUTED WITH THIS NOTICE AND THE REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AS SET FORTH THEREIN POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN _______, 2020 (80 days after the Notice date).

WHAT ARE PLAINTIFF'S REASONS FOR THE SETTLEMENT?

21. Plaintiff and Lead Counsel believe that the claims asserted against Defendants have merit. They recognize, however, the expense and length of continued proceedings necessary to pursue their claims against Defendants through trial and appeals, as well as the very substantial risks they would face in establishing liability and damages. Moreover, as to Plaintiff's claims, Plaintiff and Lead Counsel recognized that Defendants had numerous factual and legal defenses that could preclude any recovery. For example, Defendants would assert that Plaintiff could not prove the existence of materially false and misleading statements or omissions made during the Class Period, and that even if Plaintiff could prove the existence of such misleading statements or omissions, the statements were not made with the requisite state of mind to support the securities fraud claims alleged. As a result, Plaintiff faced the very real risk that a jury would conclude that statements alleged to be materially false and misleading were not; and that Defendants did not act with the requisite culpable mental state (which requires intent to defraud or recklessness). Plaintiff would also have had to prevail at several other litigation stages, including motion to dismiss, summary judgment and trial, and if they prevailed on those, on the appeals that were likely to follow, in order to recover money for the Class. In short, there were very significant risks attendant to the continued prosecution of the Action, no guarantee that an amount greater than \$1,500,000 would be recovered, or that there would be any recovery at all.

- 22. In light of these risks, the amount of the Settlement and the immediacy of recovery to the Class, Plaintiff and Lead Counsel believe that the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable and adequate, and in the best interests of the Class. Plaintiff and Lead Counsel believe that the Settlement provides a substantial benefit to the Class, namely \$1,500,000 (less the various deductions described in this Notice), as compared to the risk that the claims in the Action would produce a smaller recovery, or no recovery at all, after motion to dismiss, summary judgment, trial and appeals, possibly years in the future.
- 23. Defendants have denied the claims asserted against them in the Action and deny having engaged in any wrongdoing or violation of law of any kind whatsoever. Defendants have agreed to the Settlement solely to eliminate the burden and expense of continued litigation. Accordingly, the Settlement may not be construed as an admission of any wrongdoing by Defendants.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED IF THERE WERE NO SETTLEMENT?

24. If there were no Settlement and Plaintiff failed to establish any essential legal or factual element of their claims against Defendants, neither Plaintiff nor the other members of the Class would recover anything from Defendants. Also, if Defendants were successful in proving any of their potential defenses, either at summary judgment, at trial, or on appeal, the Class could recover substantially less than the amount provided in the Settlement, or nothing at all. Alternatively, Plaintiff and the Class may have recovered more than the amount provided in the Settlement if they prevailed on all of the factual and legal elements of their claims.

HOW ARE CLASS MEMBERS AFFECTED BY THE ACTION AND THE SETTLEMENT?

- 25. As a Class Member, you are represented by Plaintiff and Lead Counsel, unless you enter an appearance through counsel of your own choice at your own expense. You are not required to retain your own counsel, but if you choose to do so, such counsel must file a notice of appearance on your behalf and must serve copies of his or her appearance on the attorneys listed in the section entitled, "When And Where Will The Court Decide Whether To Approve The Settlement? Do I Have To Come To The Hearing? May I Speak At The Hearing If I Don't Like the Settlement?" below.
- 26. If you are a Class Member and do not wish to remain a Class Member, you may exclude yourself from the Class by following the instructions in the section entitled, "What If I Do Not Want To Be A Member Of The Class? How Do I Exclude Myself?," below.
- 27. If you are a Class Member and you wish to object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and if you do not exclude yourself from the Class, you may present your objections by following the instructions in the section entitled, "When And Where Will The Court Decide Whether To Approve The Settlement? Do I Have To Come To The Hearing? May I Speak At The Hearing If I Don't Like the Settlement?" below.
- 28. If you are a Class Member and you do not exclude yourself from the Class, you will be bound by any orders issued by the Court. If the Settlement is approved, the Court will enter a judgment (the "Judgment"). The Judgment will dismiss with prejudice the claims against

Defendants and will provide that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiff's Releasees (as defined in ¶ 34 below and regardless of whether any such person ever seeks or obtains by any means, including without limitation by submitting a proof of claim and release form, any disbursement from the Settlement) shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Plaintiff's Claims (as defined in ¶ 29 below) against Defendants' Releasees (as defined in ¶ 30 below) and shall have covenanted not to sue Defendants' Releasees with respect to all such Released Plaintiff's Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting, commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Plaintiff's Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Defendants' Releasees. This release shall not apply to any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.

- 29. "Released Plaintiff's Claims" means any and all Claims, including Unknown Claims, that have been, could have been, or in the future can or might be asserted in any federal, state or foreign court, tribunal, forum or proceeding by or on behalf of any of Plaintiff's Releasees against any one or more of the Defendants' Releasees, regardless of whether any such Defendants' Releasee was named, served with process, or appeared in the Action, that directly or indirectly arise out of or relate to (i) any of the allegations, acts, transactions, facts, events, matters, occurrences, representations or omissions involved, set forth, alleged or referred to, in the Action, or that could have been alleged in the Action, and (ii) arise out of, are based upon, or relate to in any way the purchase, acquisition, holding, sale, or disposition of any Kraton Securities during the Class Period. Released Plaintiff's Claims do not include (i) any claims to enforce the terms of the Settlement; or (ii) any claims of any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion that is accepted by the Court.
- 30. "Defendants' Releasees" means (i) Kraton, its past, present and future, direct or indirect, parent entities, associates, affiliates, and subsidiaries, each and all of their respective past, present, and future directors, officers, partners, stockholders, predecessors, successors and employees, and in their capacity as such, each and all of their underwriters, advisors, attorneys (including Defendants' Counsel), auditors, consultants, trustees, insurers, co-insurers, reinsurers, representatives, and assigns; (ii) the Individual Defendants and their respective present, past and future members of their Immediate Families; (iii) any and all persons, firms, trusts, corporations, and other entities in which any of the Defendants or any past, present, and future directors or officers of Kraton has a financial interest or was a sponsor, founder, settler or creator of the entity, and, in their capacity as such, any and all officers, directors, employees, trustees, beneficiaries, settlers, creators, attorneys, consultants, agents, or representatives of any such person, firm, trust, corporation or other entity; and (iv) in their capacity as such, the legal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, predecessors-in-interest, successors-in-interest, and assigns of any of the foregoing.
- 31. "Unknown Claims" means any Released Claims that Plaintiff, any other Class Member, or any Defendants or any of the other Releasees, does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its settlement with and release of any of the other Releasees, or might have affected his, her or its decision not to opt out or object to this Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiff and

Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the final judgment shall have waived, the provisions, rights and benefits of California Civil Code § 1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, expressly waived, any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law of any state, territory, foreign country or principle of common law, that is similar, comparable or equivalent to California Civil Code § 1542. Plaintiff, any other Class Member, Defendants, and their respective Releasees may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those that he, she or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the settlement, Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Class Members and Releasees shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever settled and released, any and all Released Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, that now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not limited to, conduct that is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of fiduciary duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Class Members and each of the other Releasees shall be deemed by operation of the final judgment to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the Settlement of which this release is a part.

- 32. The Judgment will also provide that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, current and former officers and directors, agents, fiduciaries, beneficiaries or legal representatives, in their capacities as such, and any other person or entity legally entitled to bring Released Defendants' Claims (as defined in ¶ 33 below) on behalf of any Defendant, in that capacity, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Defendants' Claims against Plaintiff's Releasees (as defined in ¶ 34 below) and shall have covenanted not to sue Plaintiff's Releasees with respect to all such Released Defendants' Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting, commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Defendants' Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Plaintiff's Releasees. This release shall not apply to any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.
- 33. "Released Defendants' Claims" means any and all Claims, including Unknown Claims, that arise out of or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution or settlement of the claims asserted in the Action. Released Defendants' Claims do not include any claims relating to the

enforcement of the Settlement or any claims against any person or entity who or that submits a request for exclusion from the Class that is accepted by the Court.

34. "Plaintiff's Releasees" means Plaintiff, all other plaintiffs in the Action, their respective attorneys, and all other members of the Class, and each of their respective parent entities, associates, affiliates, subsidiaries, predecessors, successors, assigns, attorneys, current and former officers and directors, employees, Immediate Family members, heirs, representatives, administrators, executors, devisees, legatees, and estates.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT? WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

35. To be eligible for a payment from the proceeds of the Settlement, you must be a member of the Class and you must timely complete and return the Claim Form with adequate supporting documentation postmarked no later than ________, 2020 (80 days after the Notice date) to the Claims Administrator at the address on page ____. A Claim Form is included with this Notice, or you may obtain one from the website maintained by the Claims Administrator for the Settlement, www.KratonSettlement.com, or you may request that a Claim Form be mailed to you by calling the Claims Administrator toll free at 1-866-274-4004. Please retain all records of your ownership of and transactions in Kraton Securities, as they may be needed to document your Claim. If you request exclusion from the Class or do not submit a timely and valid Claim Form, you will not be eligible to share in the Net Settlement Fund.

HOW MUCH WILL MY PAYMENT BE?

- 36. At this time, it is not possible to make any determination as to how much any individual Class Member may receive from the Settlement.
- 37. Pursuant to the Settlement, Defendants have agreed to pay or caused to be paid one million and five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) in cash. The Settlement Amount will be deposited into an escrow account. The Settlement Amount plus any interest earned thereon is referred to as the "Settlement Fund." If the Settlement is approved by the Court and the Effective Date occurs, the "Net Settlement Fund" (that is, the Settlement Fund less (a) all federal, state and/or local taxes on any income earned by the Settlement Fund and the reasonable costs incurred in connection with determining the amount of and paying taxes owed by the Settlement Fund (including reasonable expenses of tax attorneys and accountants); (b) the costs and expenses incurred in connection with providing notice to Class Members and administering the Settlement on behalf of Class Members; and (c) any attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court) will be distributed to Class Members who submit valid Claim Forms ("Authorized Claimants"), in accordance with the proposed Plan of Allocation or such other plan of allocation that the Court may approve.
- 38. The Net Settlement Fund will not be distributed unless and until the Court has approved the Settlement and a plan of allocation, all Claim Forms are processed, and the time for any petition for rehearing, appeal or review, whether by certiorari or otherwise, has expired.
- 39. Neither Kraton nor any other person or entity that paid any portion of the Settlement Amount are entitled to get back any portion of the Settlement Fund once the Court's order or judgment approving the Settlement becomes Final. Defendants shall not have any liability,

obligation or responsibility for the administration of the Settlement, the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund or the plan of allocation.

- 40. Approval of the Settlement is independent from approval of a plan of allocation. Any determination with respect to a plan of allocation will not affect the validity of the Settlement, if approved.
- 41. Unless the Court otherwise orders, any Class Member who fails to submit a Claim Form postmarked on or before _______, 2020 (80 days after the Notice date) shall be fully and forever barred from receiving payments pursuant to the Settlement but will in all other respects remain a Class Member and be subject to the provisions of the Stipulation, including the terms of any Judgment entered and the releases given. This means that each Class Member releases the Released Plaintiff's Claims (as defined in ¶29above) against Defendants' Releasees (as defined in ¶30above) and will be enjoined and prohibited from filing, prosecuting, or pursuing any of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any Defendants' Releasee whether or not such Class Member submits a Claim Form.
- 42. Participants in and beneficiaries of a plan covered by ERISA ("ERISA Plan") should NOT include any information relating to their transactions in Kraton Securities held through the ERISA Plan in any Claim Form that they may submit in this Action. They should include ONLY those shares that they purchased or acquired outside of the ERISA Plan. Claims based on any ERISA Plan's purchases or acquisitions of Kraton Securities during the Class Period may be made by the ERISA Plan's trustees. To the extent any of the Defendants or any of the other persons or entities excluded from the Class are participants in the ERISA Plan, such persons or entities shall not receive, either directly or indirectly, any portion of the recovery that may be obtained from the Settlement by the ERISA Plan.
- 43. The Court has reserved jurisdiction to allow, disallow, or adjust on equitable grounds the Claim of any Class Member.
- 44. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to his, her or its Claim Form.
- 45. Only Class Members will be eligible to share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund. Persons and entities that are excluded from the Class by definition or that exclude themselves from the Class pursuant to request will not be eligible to receive a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund and should not submit Claim Forms. Kraton Securities are the only securities that are included in the Settlement.

PROPOSED PLAN OF ALLOCATION

46. Plaintiff's Plan of Allocation is a matter separate and apart from the proposed Settlement, and any decision by the Court concerning the Plan of Allocation shall not affect the validity or finality of the proposed Settlement. The Court may approve the Plan of Allocation with or without modifications agreed to among the parties, or another plan of allocation, without further notice to Settlement Class Members. Any orders regarding a modification of the Plan of Allocation will be posted to the Claims Administrator's website, KratonSettlement.com

The Claims Administrator shall determine each Authorized Claimant's *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund based upon each Authorized Claimant's Recognized Loss. <u>Please Note</u>: The Recognized Loss formula, set forth below, is not intended to be an estimate of the amount of what

a Settlement Class Member might have been able to recover after a trial, nor is it an estimate of the amount that will be paid to Authorized Claimants pursuant to the Settlement. The Recognized Loss formula is the basis upon which the Net Settlement Fund will be proportionately allocated to the Authorized Claimants. To the extent there are sufficient funds remaining in the Net Settlement Fund, each Authorized Claimant will receive an amount equal to the Authorized Claimant's Recognized Loss. If, however, the Net Settlement Fund is not sufficient to permit payment of the total Recognized Loss of each Authorized Claimant, then each Authorized Claimant shall be paid the percentage of the Net Settlement Fund that each Authorized Claimant's Recognized Loss bears to the total Recognized Losses of all Authorized Claimants (*i.e.*, "pro rata share"). Payment in this manner shall be deemed conclusive against all Authorized Claimants. No distribution will be made on a claim where the potential distribution amount is less than ten dollars (\$10.00) in cash.

If any of the Net Settlement Fund remains by reason of uncashed checks, or otherwise, after the Claims Administrator has made reasonable and diligent efforts to have Authorized Claimants who are entitled to participate in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund cash their distribution checks, then any balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund six (6) months after the initial distribution of such funds shall be used: (i) first, to pay any amounts mistakenly omitted from the initial distribution to Authorized Claimants; (ii) second, to pay any additional Notice and Administrative Expenses incurred in administering the Settlement; and (iii) finally, to make a second distribution to Authorized Claimants who cashed their checks from the initial distribution and who would receive at least \$10.00 from such second distribution, after payment of the estimated costs or fees to be incurred in administering the Net Settlement Fund and in making this second distribution, if such second distribution is economically feasible. If six (6) months after such second distribution, if undertaken, or if such second distribution is not undertaken, any funds shall remain in the Net Settlement Fund after the Claims Administrator has made reasonable and diligent efforts to have Authorized Claimants who are entitled to participate in this Settlement cash their checks, any funds remaining in the Net Settlement Fund shall be donated to a non-profit charitable organization(s) selected by Lead Counsel.

THE BASIS FOR CALCULATING YOUR RECOGNIZED LOSS:

Each Authorized Claimant shall be allocated a *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund based on his, her or its Recognized Loss as compared to the total Recognized Losses of all Authorized Claimants.

- I) Recognized Loss for Kraton Securities purchased during the period October 25, 2017 to February 21, 2018, inclusive:
 - A. For each share retained at the end of trading on May 21, 2018, the Recognized Loss shall be the lesser of:
 - (i) \$7.89 per share; or
 - (ii) the difference between the purchase price per share and \$47.56 per share.²

² Pursuant to Section 21(D)(e)(1) of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, "in any private action arising under this title in which the plaintiff seeks to establish damages by reference

- B. For each share sold on or before February 20, 2018, the Recognized Loss per share shall be \$0.
- C. For each share sold on February 21, 2018, the Recognized Loss shall be the lesser of:
 - i) \$7.89 per share: or
 - ii) the difference between the purchase price per share and the sale price per share.
- D. For each share sold between February 22, 2018 and May 21, 2018, inclusive, the Recognized Loss shall be the lesser of:
 - i) \$7.89 per share: or
 - ii) the difference between the purchase price per share and the average closing price per share as of date of sale provided in table A below,

To the extent a claimant had a trading gain or "broke even" from his, her or its overall transactions of Kraton Securities during the Class Period, the value of the Recognized Loss will be zero and the claimant will not be entitled to a share of the Net Settlement Fund. To the extent that a claimant suffered a trading loss on his, her or its overall transactions in Kraton Securities during the Class Period, but that trading loss was less than the Recognized Loss calculated above, then the Recognized Loss shall be limited to the amount of the claimant's actual trading loss.

			Table A			
		Average				Average
	Closing	Closing			Closing	Closing
<u>Date</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Price</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Price</u>
2/22/2018	\$43.71	\$43.40		4/9/2018	\$48.55	\$46.38
2/23/2018	\$45.92	\$44.24		4/10/2018	\$50.09	\$46.49
2/26/2018	\$45.06	\$44.45		4/11/2018	\$50.12	\$46.60
2/27/2018	\$44.47	\$44.45		4/12/2018	\$50.20	\$46.70
2/28/2018	\$42.41	\$44.11		4/13/2018	\$50.58	\$46.80
3/1/2018	\$42.44	\$43.87		4/16/2018	\$50.98	\$46.91
3/2/2018	\$45.28	\$44.05		4/17/2018	\$51.98	\$47.04
3/5/2018	\$44.60	\$44.11		4/18/2018	\$52.81	\$47.18
3/6/2018	\$45.26	\$44.22		4/19/2018	\$52.76	\$47.32

to the market price of a security, the award of damages to the plaintiff shall not exceed the difference between the purchase or sale price paid or received, as appropriate, by the plaintiff for the subject security and the mean trading price of that security during the 90-day period beginning on the date on which the information correcting the misstatement or omission that is the basis for the action is disseminated." \$47.56 per share was the mean (average) daily closing trading price of the Company's shares during the 90-day period beginning on February 21, 2018 and ending on May 21, 2018.

3/7/2	018	\$45.79	\$44.37	4/20/2018	\$51.68	\$47.42
3/8/2	018	\$45.11	\$44.43	4/23/2018	\$51.85	\$47.53
3/9/2	018	\$46.32	\$44.57	4/24/2018	\$50.56	\$47.60
3/12/2	2018	\$46.75	\$44.73	4/25/2018	\$49.90	\$47.65
3/13/2	2018	\$47.53	\$44.92	4/26/2018	\$48.20	\$47.66
3/14/2	2018	\$46.44	\$45.01	4/27/2018	\$46.70	\$47.64
3/15/2	2018	\$46.28	\$45.09	4/30/2018	\$45.67	\$47.60
3/16/2	2018	\$46.94	\$45.19	5/1/2018	\$44.83	\$47.54
3/19/2	2018	\$47.55	\$45.31	5/2/2018	\$46.22	\$47.52
3/20/2	2018	\$49.27	\$45.51	5/3/2018	\$46.12	\$47.49
3/21/2	2018	\$49.02	\$45.68	5/4/2018	\$47.02	\$47.48
3/22/2	2018	\$48.02	\$45.78	5/7/2018	\$47.13	\$47.47
3/23/2	2018	\$46.91	\$45.83	5/8/2018	\$47.45	\$47.47
3/26/2	2018	\$48.38	\$45.94	5/9/2018	\$46.98	\$47.46
3/27/2	2018	\$47.37	\$46.00	5/10/2018	\$47.57	\$47.46
3/28/2	2018	\$46.82	\$46.03	5/11/2018	\$47.07	\$47.46
3/29/2	2018	\$47.71	\$46.09	5/14/2018	\$46.98	\$47.45
4/2/2	018	\$45.97	\$46.09	5/15/2018	\$46.72	\$47.44
4/3/2	018	\$46.38	\$46.10	5/16/2018	\$48.03	\$47.45
4/4/2	018	\$47.78	\$46.15	5/17/2018	\$48.95	\$47.47
4/5/2	018	\$49.46	\$46.26	5/18/2018	\$50.08	\$47.51
4/6/2	018	\$48.03	\$46.31	5/21/2018	\$50.59	\$47.56

For purposes of calculating your Recognized Loss, the date of purchase, acquisition or sale is the "contract" or "trade" date and not the "settlement" or "payment" date. The receipt or grant by gift, inheritance or operation of law of the Kraton Securities shall not be deemed a purchase, acquisition or sale of the Company's Securities for the calculation of an Authorized Claimant's Recognized Loss. The covering purchase of a short sale is not an eligible purchase for purposes of calculating Recognized Loss.

For purposes of calculating your Recognized Loss, all purchases, acquisitions and sales shall be matched on a First In First Out ("FIFO") basis in chronological order. Therefore, on the Proof of Claim and Release Form enclosed with this Notice, you must provide all your purchases and acquisitions of Kraton Securities during the period from October 25, 2017 through and including May 21, 2018.

Payment pursuant to the Plan of Allocation approved by the Court shall be conclusive against all Authorized Claimants. No person shall have any claim against Defendants, Defendants' Counsel, Lead Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel or the Claims Administrator or other agent designated by Lead Counsel based on the distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation and the Settlement contained therein, the Plan of Allocation, or further orders of the Court. Each claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the claimant's Proof of Claim and Release Form. All persons involved in the review, verification, calculation, tabulation, or any other aspect of the processing of the claims submitted in connection with the Settlement, or otherwise involved in the administration or taxation of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund shall be released and discharged from any and all claims arising out of

such involvement, and all Settlement Class Members, whether or not they are to receive payment from the Net Settlement Fund, will be barred from making any further claim against the Net Settlement Fund beyond the amount allocated to them as provided in any distribution orders entered by the Court.

The Plan of Allocation set forth herein is the plan that Plaintiff has proposed to the Court for its approval. The Court may approve this plan as proposed or it may modify the Plan of Allocation without further notice to the Class. Any Orders regarding any modification of the Plan of Allocation will be posted on the settlement website, www.KratonSettlement.com.

WHAT PAYMENT ARE THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE CLASS SEEKING? HOW WILL THE LAWYERS BE PAID?

47. Plaintiff's Counsel have not received any payment for their services in pursuing claims against the Defendants on behalf of the Class, nor have Plaintiff's Counsel been reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses. Before final approval of the Settlement, Lead Counsel will apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees for all Plaintiff's Counsel in an amount not to exceed 25% of the Settlement Fund plus interest. At the same time, Lead Counsel also intends to apply for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, which may include an application for reimbursement of the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Plaintiff directly related to his representation of the Class in an amount not to exceed \$3,000. The Court will determine the amount of any award of attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Such sums as may be approved by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses.

WHAT IF I DO NOT WANT TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CLASS? HOW DO I EXCLUDE MYSELF?

Each Class Member will be bound by all determinations and judgments in this lawsuit, 48. whether favorable or unfavorable, unless such person or entity mails or delivers a written Request for Exclusion from the Class to: EXCLUSIONS— Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al, c/o Strategic Claims Services, P.O. 230, 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205, Media, PA 19063. The exclusion request must be *received* no later than _____ , 2020 (30 days before the Settlement Hearing). You will not be able to exclude yourself from the Class after that date. Each Request for Exclusion must (a) state the name, address and telephone number of the person or entity requesting exclusion, and in the case of entities the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (b) state that such person or entity "requests exclusion from the Class in *Hrasok v*. Kraton Corp., et al., No. 4:18-cv-00591-KMH"; (c) identify and state the number of Kraton Securities that the person or entity requesting exclusion purchased, acquired and sold during the Class Period (i.e., between October 25, 2017 and February 21, 2018, inclusive), as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase/acquisition and sale; (d) provide adequate supporting documentation for the transactions for which the Class Member seeks exclusion in the form of broker confirmation slips, broker account statements, an authorized statement from the broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement, or such other documentation as is deemed adequate by Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel; and (e) be signed by the person or entity requesting exclusion or an authorized

representative. A Request for Exclusion shall not be valid and effective unless it provides all the information and documentation called for in this paragraph and is received within the time stated above, or is otherwise accepted by the Court. A Request for Exclusion also shall not be valid and effective if it is received by the Claims Administrator after ________, 2020 (30 days before the Settlement Hearing) even if it contains all the information and documentation called for in this paragraph.

- 49. If you do not want to be part of the Class, you must follow these instructions for exclusion even if you have pending, or later file, another lawsuit, arbitration, or other proceeding relating to any Released Plaintiff's Claim against any Defendants' Releasee.
- 50. If you ask to be excluded from the Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment out of the Net Settlement Fund.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE COURT DECIDE WHETHER TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT? DO I HAVE TO COME TO THE HEARING? MAY I SPEAK AT THE HEARING IF I DON'T LIKE THE SETTLEMENT?

- 51. Class Members do not need to attend the Settlement Hearing. The Court will consider any submission made in accordance with the provisions below even if a Class Member does not attend the hearing. You can participate in the Settlement without attending the Settlement Hearing.
- 52. The Settlement Hearing will be held on ________, 2020 at __:_____.m. (105 days after the Notice date), before the Honorable George C. Hanks, Jr. in Courtroom ____, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk, Houston, TX 77208. The Court reserves the right to approve the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and/or any other matter related to the Settlement at or after the Settlement Hearing without further notice to the members of the Class.
- 53. Any Class Member who or which does not request exclusion may object to the Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Objections must be in writing. You must file any written objection, together with copies of all other papers and briefs supporting the objection, with the Clerk's Office at the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas at the address set forth below on or before ________, 2020 (14 days before the Settlement Hearing). You must also serve the papers on Lead Counsel and on Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth below so that the papers are *received* on or before ________, 2020 (14 days before the Settlement Hearing).

Clerk's Office

Lead Counsel

Defendants' Counsel

United States District Court
Southern District of Texas
Clerk of the Court
United States Courthouse
515 Rusk
Houston, TX 77208

The Rosen Law Firm, P.A.
Daniel Tyre-Karp, Esq.
275 Madison Ave., 40th Floor
New York, NY 10016

Baker & McKenzie LLP
Elizabeth L. Yingling
1900 North Pearl Street
Suite 1500
Dallas, Texas 75201

- 54. Any objection (a) must state the name, address and telephone number of the person or entity objecting and must be signed by the objector; (b) must contain a statement of the Class Member's objection or objections, and the specific reasons for each objection, including any legal and evidentiary support the Class Member wishes to bring to the Court's attention; (c) must include documents sufficient to prove membership in the Class, including the number of Kraton Securities that the objecting Class Member purchased, acquired and/or sold during the Class Period (i.e., between October 25, 2017 and February 21, 2018, inclusive), as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase/acquisition and/or sale; (d) the name, address, and telephone number of all counsel who represent the Class Member, including former or current counsel who may be entitled to compensation in connection with the objection, (e) a statement confirming whether they plan to appear at the Settlement Hearing, (f) the name, address, and telephone number of any counsel that will appear at the Settlement Hearing, and (g) the number of times a Class Member filed an objection in the previous five years and the nature of each objection to each case in which a Class Member filed an objection in the previous five years. You may not object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses if you exclude yourself from the Class or if you are not a member of the Class.
- 55. You may file a written objection without having to appear at the Settlement Hearing. You may not, however, appear at the Settlement Hearing to present your objection unless you first file and serve a written objection in accordance with the procedures described above, unless the Court orders otherwise.
- 56. If you wish to be heard orally at the hearing in opposition to the approval of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and if you timely file and serve a written objection as described above, you must also file a notice of appearance with the Clerk's Office and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth in ¶ 53 above so that it is *received* on or before ________, 2020 (14 days before the Settlement Hearing). Persons who intend to object and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Hearing must include in their written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses they may call to testify and exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the hearing. Such persons may be heard orally at the discretion of the Court.
- 57. You are not required to hire an attorney to represent you in making written objections or in appearing at the Settlement Hearing. However, if you decide to hire an attorney, it will be at your own expense, and that attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Court and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth in ¶ 53 above so that the notice is *received* on or before _______, 2020 (14 days before the Settlement Hearing).

- 58. The Settlement Hearing may be adjourned by the Court without further written notice to the Class. If you intend to attend the Settlement Hearing, you should confirm the date and time with Lead Counsel.
- 59. Unless the Court orders otherwise, any Class Member who does not object in the manner described above will be deemed to have waived any objection and shall be forever foreclosed from making any objection to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Class Members do not need to appear at the Settlement Hearing or take any other action to indicate their approval of the Settlement.

WHAT IF I BOUGHT SHARES ON SOMEONE ELSE'S BEHALF?

If you purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities between October 25, 2017 and 60. February 21, 2018, inclusive, for the beneficial interest of persons or organizations other than yourself, you must either (a) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the notice, request from the Claims Administrator sufficient copies of the Notice and Claim Form (the "Notice Packet") to forward to all such beneficial purchasers/owners and within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of those Notice Packets forward them to all such beneficial owners; or (b) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the notice, provide a list of the names and addresses, as well as email addresses to the extent available, of all such beneficial owners to Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al., c/o Strategic Claims Services, P.O. Box 230, 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205, Media, PA 19063. If you choose the second option, the Claims Administrator will send a Notice Packet to the beneficial purchasers/owners. Upon full compliance with these directions, such nominees may seek reimbursement of their reasonable expenses actually incurred, not to exceed \$0.20 plus postage at the current pre-sort rate used by the Claims Administrator per Notice Packet mailed; \$0.05 per Notice Packet transmitted by email; or \$0.10 per name, address, and email address (to the extent available) provided to the Claims Administrator, by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Copies of this Notice and the Claim Form may also be obtained from the website maintained by the Claims Administrator, www.KratonSettlement.com, or by calling the Claims Administrator toll-free at 1-866-274-4004

CAN I SEE THE COURT FILE? WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

61. This Notice contains only a summary of the terms of the proposed Settlement. For more detailed information about the matters involved in this Action, you are referred to the papers on file in the Action, including the Stipulation, which may be inspected during regular office hours at the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk, Houston, TX 77208. Additionally, copies of the Stipulation and any related orders entered by the Court will be posted on the website maintained by the Claims Administrator, www.KratonSettlement.com.

All inquiries concerning this Notice and the Claim Form should be directed to:

Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al	and/or	The Rosen Law Firm, P.A.
c/o Strategic Claims Services		Daniel Tyre-Karp, Esq.
P.O. Box 230		275 Madison Avenue, 40th Floor

600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205	New York, NY 10016
Media, PA 19063	Telephone: (212) 686-1060
1-866-274-4004	Email:
www.KratonSettlement.com	kratonsettlement@rosenlegal.com

DO NOT CALL OR WRITE THE COURT, THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, DEFENDANTS OR DEFENDANTS' COUNSEL REGARDING THIS NOTICE.

Dated:	, 2019	BY ORDER OF THE COURT
		UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Exhibit A-2

Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al. c/o Strategic Claims Services P.O. Box 230 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205 Media, PA 19063 Toll Free Number: (866) 274-4004 Settlement Website: KratonSettlement.com

Email: info@strategicclaims.net

PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE FORM

To be eligible to receive a share of the Net Settlement Fund in connection with the Settlement of this Action, you must be a Class Member and complete and sign this Proof of Claim and Release Form ("Claim Form") and mail it by first-class mail to the above address, postmarked no later than (80 days after the Notice date).
Failure to submit your Claim Form by the date specified will subject your claim to rejection and may preclude you from being eligible to recover any money in connection with the Settlement.

Do not mail or deliver your Claim Form to the Court, the settling parties or their counsel. Submit your Claim Form only to the Claims Administrator at the address set forth above.

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PART I – CLAIMANT INFORMATION

(Please read General Instructions below before completing this page.)

The Claims Administrator will use this information for all communications regarding this Claim Form. If this information changes, you MUST notify the Claims Administrator in writing at the address above.

Beneficial Owner's Name				
Co-Beneficial Owner's Name				
Entity Name (if Beneficial Owner is not an individual)				
Entry Name (if Beneficial Owner is not all incividual)				
Representative or Custodian Name (if different from Benefi	icial O	wner(s) listed above))	
Address1 (street name and number)				
Address2 (apartment, unit or box number)				
City		State	Zip Code	
Foreign Country (only if not USA)				
Last four digits of Social Security Number or Taxpayer Idea	ntificat	ion Number		
	m 1			
Telephone Number (home)	Telep	hone Number (work)	
Email address (Email address is not required, but if you provide it, you authorize the Claims Administrator to use it in providing you with information relevant to this claim.):				
Account Number (account(s) through which the securities were traded) ¹ :				
Claimant Account Type (check appropriate box): ☐ Individual (includes joint owner accounts) ☐ Corporation ☐ IRA/401K	□ E	ension Plan state ther		_ (please specify)

¹ If the account number is unknown, you may leave blank. If the same legal entity traded through more than one account, you may write "multiple." Please see paragraph 12 of the General Instructions for more information on when to file separate Claim Forms for multiple accounts, *i.e.*, when you are filing on behalf of distinct legal entities.

PART II – GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. It is important that you completely read and understand the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Settlement Hearing; and (III) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Settlement Notice") that accompanies this Claim Form, including the Plan of Allocation of the Net Settlement Fund set forth in the Settlement Notice. The Settlement Notice describes the proposed Settlement, how Class Members are affected by the Settlement, and the manner in which the Net Settlement Fund will be distributed if the Settlement and Plan of Allocation are approved by the Court. The Settlement Notice also contains the definitions of many of the defined terms (which are indicated by initial capital letters) used in this Claim Form. By signing and submitting this Claim Form, you will be certifying that you have read and that you understand the Settlement Notice, including the terms of the releases described therein and provided for herein.
- 2. This Claim Form is directed to all persons or entities that, during the period from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive (the "Class Period"), purchased or acquired shares of Kraton Corporation common stock ("Kraton Securities"). All persons and entities that are members of the Class are referred to as "Class Members."
- 3. Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the present and former officers and directors of Kraton at all relevant times; members of their Immediate Families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which any of the Defendants, or any person excluded under this provision, has or had a majority ownership interest. Also excluded from the Class are any persons and entities who or that submit requests for exclusion that are accepted by the Court.
- 4. If you are not a Class Member, do not submit a Claim Form. YOU MAY NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT IF YOU ARE NOT A CLASS MEMBER. THUS, IF YOU ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE CLASS (AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH 3 ABOVE), ANY CLAIM FORM THAT YOU SUBMIT, OR THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED ON YOUR BEHALF, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- 5. If you are a Class Member, you will be bound by the terms of any judgments or orders entered in the Action WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM, unless you submit a request for exclusion from the Class. Thus, if you are a Class Member, the Judgment will release, and enjoin the filing or continued prosecution of, the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against the Defendants' Releasees.
- 6. You are eligible to participate in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund only if you are a member of the Class and if you complete and return this form as specified below. If you fail to submit a timely, properly addressed, and completed Claim Form with the required documentation, your claim may be rejected, and you may be precluded from receiving any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund.
- 7. Submission of this Claim Form does not guarantee that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement. The distribution of the Net Settlement Fund will be governed by the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Settlement Notice, if it is approved by the Court, or by such other plan of allocation approved by the Court.
- 8. Use the Schedule of Transactions in Part III of this Claim Form to supply all required details of your transaction(s) (including free transfers) in and holdings of the applicable

Kraton Securities. On the Schedules of Transactions, please provide all of the requested information with respect to your holdings, purchases, acquisitions and sales of the applicable Kraton Securities, whether such transactions resulted in a profit or a loss. Failure to report all transaction and holding information during the requested time periods may result in the rejection of your claim.

- 9. Please note: Only Kraton Securities purchased/acquired during the Class Period (i.e., from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive) are eligible under the Settlement. However, under the PSLRA "90-day look-back period" (described in the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Settlement Notice), your sales of Kraton Securities during the period from February 22, 2018, through and including May 21, 2018, will be used for purposes of calculating your Recognized Loss under the Plan of Allocation. Therefore, in order for the Claims Administrator to be able to process your claim, the requested purchase and sale information during the period from February 22, 2018 through and including May 22, 2018 (the 90-day look-back period) must also be provided.
- You are required to submit genuine and sufficient documentation for all of your transactions and holdings of the applicable Kraton Securities set forth in the Schedule of Transactions in Part III of this Claim Form. Documentation may consist of copies of brokerage confirmation slips or monthly brokerage account statements, or an authorized statement from your broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement. The Parties and the Claims Administrator do not independently have information about your investments in Kraton Securities. IF SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE NOT IN **YOUR** POSSESSION, **PLEASE OBTAIN COPIES** OR **EQUIVALENT** CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTS FROM YOUR BROKER. FAILURE TO SUPPLY THIS DOCUMENTATION MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM. DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. Please keep a copy of all documents that you send to the Claims Administrator. Also, please do not highlight any portion of the Claim Form or any supporting documents.
- 11. Separate Claim Forms should be submitted for each separate legal entity (e.g., a claim from joint owners should not include separate transactions through an account that is in the name of just one of the joint owners, and an individual should not combine his or her IRA transactions with transactions made through an account in the individual's name). Conversely, a single Claim Form should be submitted on behalf of one legal entity including all transactions made by that entity on one Claim Form, no matter how many separate accounts that entity has (e.g., a corporation with multiple brokerage accounts should include all transactions made in all accounts on one Claim Form).
- 12. All joint beneficial owners must sign this Claim Form. If you purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities during the Class Period and held the securities in your name, you are the beneficial owner as well as the record owner and you must sign this Claim Form to participate in the Settlement. If, however, you purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Securities during the Class Period and the securities were registered in the name of a third party, such as a nominee or brokerage firm, you are the beneficial owner of these securities, but the third party is the record owner. The beneficial owner, not the record owner, must sign this Claim Form.
- 13. Agents, executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees must complete and sign the Claim Form on behalf of persons represented by them, and they must:

- (a) expressly state the capacity in which they are acting;
- (b) identify the name, account number, Social Security Number (or taxpayer identification number), address and telephone number of the beneficial owner of (or other person or entity with respect to whose behalf they are acting) the Kraton Securities; and
- (c) furnish herewith evidence of their authority to bind to the Claim Form the person or entity on whose behalf they are acting. (Authority to complete and sign a Claim Form cannot be established by stockbrokers demonstrating only that they have discretionary authority to trade stock in another person's accounts.)
- 14. By submitting a signed Claim Form, you will be swearing that you:
 - (a) own(ed) the Kraton Securities you have listed in the Claim Form; or
 - (b) are expressly authorized to act on behalf of the owner thereof.
- 15. By submitting a signed Claim Form, you will be swearing to the truth of the statements contained therein and the genuineness of the documents attached thereto, subject to penalties of perjury under the laws of the United States of America. The making of false statements, or the submission of forged or fraudulent documentation, will result in the rejection of your claim and may subject you to civil liability or criminal prosecution.
- 16. If the Court approves the Settlement, payments to eligible Authorized Claimants pursuant to the Plan of Allocation (or such other plan of allocation as the Court approves) will be made after the completion of all claims processing. This could take substantial time. Please be patient.
- 17. PLEASE NOTE: As set forth in the Plan of Allocation, each Authorized Claimant shall receive his, her or its pro rata share of the Net Settlement Fund. If the prorated payment to any Authorized Claimant, however, calculates to less than \$10.00, it will not be included in the calculation and no distribution will be made to that Authorized Claimant.
- 18. If you have questions concerning the Claim Form, or need additional copies of the Claim Form or the Settlement Notice, you may contact the Claims Administrator: **Hrasok v. Kraton Corp.**, et al., Strategic Claims Services, at P.O. Box 230, 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205, Media, PA 19063 by email at info@strategicclaims.net, or by toll-free phone at (866)274-4004, or you may download the documents from the Settlement website, KratonSettlement.com.
- 19. NOTICE REGARDING ELECTRONIC FILES: Certain Claimants with large numbers of transactions may request, or may be requested, to submit information regarding their transactions in electronic files. To obtain the mandatory electronic filing requirements and file layout, you may visit the Settlement website at KratonSettlement.com or you may email the Claims Administrator's electronic filing department at info@strategicclaims.net. Any file not in accordance with the required electronic filing format will be subject to rejection. No electronic files will be considered to have been properly submitted unless the Claims Administrator issues an email to that effect after processing your file with your claim numbers and respective account information. Do not assume that your file has been processed until you receive this email. If you do not receive such an email within 10 days of your submission, you should contact the electronic

filing department at info@strategicclaims.net to inquire about your file and confirm it was received and acceptable.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE NOTE

YOUR CLAIM IS NOT DEEMED FILED UNTIL YOU RECEIVE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POSTCARD. THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR WILL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR CLAIM FORM BY MAIL WITHIN 60 DAYS. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POSTCARD WITHIN 60 DAYS, PLEASE CALL THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR TOLL FREE AT (866) 274-4004.

PART III – SCHEDULE OF TRANSACTIONS IN KRATON SECURITIES

Complete this Part III if and only if you purchased/acquired Kraton Securities during the period from October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive. Please include proper documentation with your Claim Form as described in detail in Part II – General Instructions, Paragraph 10, above. Do not include information in this section regarding securities other than Kraton Securities.

1. BEGINNING HOLDINGS – State the total number of shares of Kraton Securities held as of the opening of trading				
on October 25, 2017. (N	Must be docume	ented.) If none, write "zer	o" or "0."	
2. PURCHASES/AG	COLUSITIONS	S DURING THE CL	ASS PERIOD – Separately list each and every	
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		ng on February 21, 2018.		
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Chronologically)	Purchased/		fees)	
(Month/Day/Year)	Acquired		,	
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3. PURCHASES/ACQ	UISITIONS D	URING THE 90-DAY I	LOOK-BACK PERIOD – State the total number of	
shares of Kraton Securit	ies purchased/a	equired (including free re	ceipts) from after the opening of trading on February	
22, 2018, through and ir	cluding the clo	se of trading on May 21,	2018. If none, write "zero" or "0." ²	
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			HE 90-DAY LOOK-BACK IF NONE, CHECK	
	PERIOD – Separately list each and every sale/disposition (including free deliveries) of Kraton HERE			
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close of trading on May 21, 2018. (Must be documented.)				
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Date of Sale	Number of	Sale Price	Total Sale Price (excluding taxes, commissions, and	
(List Chronologically)	Shares Sold	Per Share	fees)	
(Month/Day/Year)				
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/ /		\$	\$	
/ /		\$	\$	
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² **Please note**: Information requested with respect to your purchases/acquisitions of Kraton Securities from after the opening of trading on February 22, 2018, through and including the close of trading on May 21, 2018, is needed in order to balance your claim; purchases/acquisitions during this period, however, are not eligible under the Settlement and will not be used for purposes of calculating your Recognized Loss pursuant to the Plan of Allocation.

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5. ENDING HOLDINGS – State the total number of shares of Kraton Securities held as of the close of trading on May 21, 2018. (Must be documented.) If none, write "zero" or "0."			

IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL SPACE TO LIST YOUR TRANSACTIONS, YOU MUST
PHOTOCOPY THIS PAGE AND CHECK THIS BOX
IF YOU DO NOT CHECK THIS BOX, THESE ADDITIONAL PAGES WILL NOT BE REVIEWED

PART IV - RELEASE OF CLAIMS AND SIGNATURE

YOU MUST ALSO READ THE RELEASE AND CERTIFICATION BELOW AND SIGN ON PAGE OF THIS CLAIM FORM.

I (we) hereby acknowledge that as of the Effective Date of the Settlement, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement, dated November 15, 2019 ("Stipulation"), I (we), on behalf of myself (ourselves) and my (our) heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, affiliates and assigns, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived, discharged and dismissed each and every Released Plaintiff's Claim (as defined in the Stipulation and in the Settlement Notice) against the Defendants' Releasees (as defined in the Stipulation and in the Settlement Notice) and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against the Defendants' Releasees.

CERTIFICATION

By signing and submitting this Claim Form, the Claimant(s) or the person(s) who represent(s) the Claimant(s) certify (certifies), as follows:

- 1. that I (we) have read and understand the contents of the Settlement Notice and this Claim Form, including the releases provided for in the Settlement and the terms of the Plan of Allocation:
- 2. that the Claimant(s) is a (are) Class Member(s), as defined in the Settlement Notice and in paragraph 2 on page __ of this Claim Form, and is (are) not excluded from the Class by definition or pursuant to request as set forth in the Settlement Notice and in paragraph 3 on page __ of this Claim Form;
- 3. that I (we) own(ed) the Kraton Securities identified in the Claim Form and have not assigned the claim against the Defendants' Releasees to another, or that, in signing and submitting this Claim Form, I (we) have the authority to act on behalf of the owner(s) thereof;
- 4. that the Claimant(s) has (have) not submitted any other claim covering the same purchases/acquisitions of Kraton Securities and knows (know) of no other person having done so on the Claimant's (Claimants') behalf;
 - 5. that the Claimant(s) submit(s) to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to

Claimant's (Claimants') claim and for purposes of enforcing the releases set forth herein;

- 6. that I (we) agree to furnish such additional information with respect to this Claim Form as Lead Counsel, the Claims Administrator or the Court may require;
- 7. that the Claimant(s) waive(s) the right to trial by jury, to the extent it exists, and agree(s) to the Court's summary disposition of the determination of the validity or amount of the claim made by this Claim Form;
- 8. that I (we) acknowledge that the Claimant(s) will be bound by and subject to the terms of any judgment(s) that may be entered in the Action; and
- 9. that the Claimant(s) is (are) NOT subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406(a)(1)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code because (a) the Claimant(s) is (are) exempt from backup withholding or (b) the Claimant(s) has (have) not been notified by the IRS that he/she/it is (they are) subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends or (c) the IRS has notified the Claimant(s) that he/she/it is (they are) no longer subject to backup withholding. If the IRS has notified the Claimant(s) that he, she or it is (they are) subject to backup withholding, please strike out the language in the preceding sentence indicating that the claim is not subject to backup withholding in the certification above.

UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I (WE) CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ME (US) ON THIS CLAIM FORM IS TRUE, CORRECT, AND COMPLETE, AND THAT THE DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED HEREWITH ARE TRUE AND CORRECT COPIES OF WHAT THEY PURPORT TO BE.

Signature of Claimant	Date
Print your name here	
Signature of joint Claimant, if any	Date
Print your name here	
If the Claimant is other than an individual, or is not following also must be provided:	the person completing this form, the
Signature of person signing on behalf of Claimant	Date
Print your name here	
CAPACITY OF PERSON SIGNING ON BEHALF OF INDIVIDUAL, E.G., EXECUTOR, PRESIDENT, TRU	STEE, CUSTODIAN, ETC. (MUST
PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF AUTHORITY TO ACT O	

PARAGRAPH 13 ON PAGE OF THIS CLAIM FORM.)

REMINDER CHECKLIST:

- 1. Please sign the above release and certification. If this Claim Form is being made on behalf of joint Claimants, then both must sign.
- 2. Remember to attach only **copies** of acceptable supporting documentation as these documents will not be returned to you.
- 3. Please do not highlight any portion of the Claim Form or any supporting documents.
- 4. Do not send original security certificates or documentation. These items cannot be returned to you by the Claims Administrator.
- 5. Keep copies of the completed Claim Form and documentation for your own records.
- 6. The Claims Administrator will acknowledge receipt of your Claim Form by mail, within 60 days. Your claim is not deemed filed until you receive an acknowledgement postcard. If you do not receive an acknowledgement postcard within 60 days, please call the Claims Administrator toll free at (___) ___-___
- 7. If your address changes in the future, or if this Claim Form was sent to an old or incorrect address, please send the Claims Administrator written notification of your new address. If you change your name, please inform the Claims Administrator.
- 8. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your claim, please contact the Claims Administrator at the address below, by email at info@strategicclaims.net, or toll-free at (866) 274-4004, or visit KratonSettlement.com. Please DO NOT call the Court, Kraton, or any of the other Defendants or their counsel with questions regarding your claim.

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You should be aware that it will take a significant amount of time to fully process all of the Claim Forms. Please be patient and notify the Claims Administrator of any change of address.

Exhibit A-3

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GREG HRASOK, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,	
Plaintiff,	
v.	Case No: 4:18-cv-591-GCH
KRATON CORPORATION, KEVIN M. FOGARTY, and STEPHEN E. TREMBLAY, Defendants.	
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SUMMARY NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT; (II) SETTLEMENT HEARING; AND (III) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

TO: All persons and/or entities that purchased or otherwise acquired Kraton Corporation ("Kraton") common stock ("Kraton Securities") during the period October 25, 2017 through February 21, 2018, inclusive (the "Class Period") (the "Class").

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED BY A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT PENDING IN THIS COURT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, that the above-captioned litigation (the "Action") has been certified as a class action on behalf of the Class, except for certain persons and entities who are excluded from the Class as set forth in the full Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Settlement Hearing; and (III) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Notice").

YOU ARE ALSO NOTIFIED that Plaintiffs in the Action have reached a proposed settlement of the Action for \$1,500,000 (the "Settlement"), that, if approved, will resolve all claims in the Action.

A hearing will be held on	, 2020 (105 days after the Notice date) at:
m., before the Honorable George C. Hanks,	Jr. at the United States District Court for the Southern
District of Texas, United States Courthouse,	515 Rusk Street, Houston, TX 77002, to determine
(i) whether the proposed Settlement should	be approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate; (ii)
whether the Action should be dismissed w	ith prejudice against Defendants, and the Releases
specified and described in the Stipulation and	Agreement of Settlement dated November 15, 2019

(and in the Notice) should be granted; (iii) whether the proposed Plan of Allocation should be approved as fair and reasonable; and (iv) whether Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses should be approved.

If you are a member of the Class, your rights will be affected by the pending Settlement of the Action, and you may be entitled to share in the Settlement Fund. If you have not yet received the Notice and Claim Form, you may obtain copies of these documents by contacting the Claims Administrator at *Hrasok v. Kraton Corp.*, et al., c/o Strategic Claims Services, P.O. 230, 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205, Media, PA 19063, 1-866-274-4004, info@strategicclaims.net. Copies of the Notice and Claim Form can also be downloaded from the website maintained by the Claims Administrator, www.KratonSettlement.com.

If you are a member of the Class, in order to be eligible to receive a payment under the proposed Settlement, you must submit a Claim Form *postmarked* no later than _____, 2020 (80 days after the Notice date) to the Claims Administrator. If you are a Class Member and do not submit a proper Claim Form, you will not be eligible to share in the distribution of the net proceeds of the Settlement, but you will nevertheless be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action.

If you are a member of the Class and wish to exclude yourself from the Class, you must submit a request for exclusion such that it is received no later than ________, (30 days before the Settlement Hearing) by the Claims Administrator, in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Notice. If you properly exclude yourself from the Class, you will not be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action and you will not be eligible to share in the proceeds of the Settlement.

Please do not contact the Court, the Clerk's office, Kraton, or Kraton's counsel regarding this notice. All questions about this notice, the proposed Settlement, or your eligibility to participate in the Settlement should be directed to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator.

Inquiries, other than requests for the Notice and Claim Form, should be made to Lead Counsel:

The Rosen Law Firm P.A.
Attn: Daniel Tyre-Karp, Esq.
275 Madison Avenue, 40th Floor
New York, NY 10016
Telephone: (212) 686-1060

Email: kratonsettlement@rosenlegal.com

Requests for the Notice and Claim Form should be made to:

Hrasok v. Kraton Corp., et al. c/o Strategic Claims Services P.O. Box 230 600 N. Jackson Street, Suite 205 Media, PA 19063 Toll-Free Phone: (866) 274-4004

Email: info@strategicclaims.net

By Order of the Court

Exhibit B

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GREG HRASOK, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 4:18-cv-591-GCH

KRATON CORPORATION, KEVIN M. FOGARTY, and STEPHEN E. TREMBLAY,

Defendants.

JUDGMENT APPROVING CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, a consolidated class action is pending in this Court entitled *Hrasok v. Kraton Corp.*, et al., No. 4:18-cv-00591-GCH (the "Action");

WHEREAS, (a) Lead Plaintiff Greg Hrasok ("Plaintiff"), on behalf of himself and the Class (defined below); and (b) defendants Kevin M. Fogarty, Stephen E. Tremblay (collectively, with defendant Fogarty, the "Individual Defendants") and Kraton Corporation ("Kraton" or the "Company" and collectively, with the Individual Defendants, "Defendants") have entered into a Stipulation that provides for a complete dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation, subject to the approval of this Court (the "Settlement");

WHEREAS, by Order dated _______, 2019 (the "Preliminary Approval Order"), this Court: (a) preliminarily approved the Settlement; (b) ordered that notice of certification of the Class and the proposed Settlement be provided to potential Class Members; (c) provided Class

Members with the opportunity to exclude themselves from the Class or to object to the proposed Settlement; and (d) scheduled a hearing regarding final approval of the Settlement;

WHEREAS, due and adequate notice has been given to the Class;

WHEREAS, the Court conducted a hearing on _______, 2020 (the "Settlement Hearing") to consider, among other things, (a) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement are fair, reasonable and adequate to the Class, and should therefore be approved; and (b) whether a judgment should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice as against Defendants; and

WHEREAS, the Court having reviewed and considered the Stipulation, all papers filed and proceedings held herein in connection with the Settlement, all oral and written comments received regarding the Settlement, and the record in the Action, and good cause appearing therefor;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

- 1. <u>Jurisdiction</u> The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action, and all matters relating to the Settlement, as well as personal jurisdiction over all of the Parties and each of the Class Members for purposes of the Settlement.
- 2. <u>Incorporation of Settlement Documents</u> This Judgment incorporates and makes a part hereof: (a) the Stipulation filed with the Court on November 15, 2019; and (b) the Notice and the Summary Notice, both of which were filed with the Court on November 15, 2019.
- 3. Notice The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice and the publication of the Summary Notice: (a) were implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action; (ii) the certification of the Class and their right to exclude themselves from the Class; (iii) the existence and effect of the proposed Settlement (including the Releases to

be provided thereunder); (iv) Lead Counsel's motion for an award an attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; (v) Class Members' right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; and (vi) Class Members' right to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. §78u-4(a)(7), as amended, including the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, due process, and all other applicable laws and rules.

- 4. <u>Final Settlement Approval and Dismissal of Claims</u> Pursuant to, and in accordance with, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court hereby fully and finally approves the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation in all respects (including, without limitation: the amount of the Settlement; the Releases provided for therein; and the dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action), and finds that the Settlement is, in all respects, fair, reasonable and adequate to the Class. The Parties are directed to implement, perform and consummate the Settlement in accordance with the terms and provisions contained in the Stipulation.
- 5. The Action and all of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action by Plaintiff and the other Class Members are hereby dismissed with prejudice. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Stipulation.
- 6. <u>Binding Effect</u> The terms of the Stipulation and of this Judgment shall be forever binding on Defendants, Plaintiff, and all other Class Members (regardless of whether or not any Class Member submits a Claim Form or seeks or obtains a distribution from the Net Settlement

Fund), as well as their respective successors and assigns. [The persons and entities listed on Exhibit 1 hereto are excluded from the Class pursuant to their request and are not bound by the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.]

- 7. Releases The Releases set forth in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Stipulation, together with the definitions contained in paragraph 1 of and elsewhere in the Stipulation relating thereto, are expressly incorporated herein in all respects. The Releases are effective as of the Effective Date. Accordingly, this Court orders that:
- (a) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 8 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiff Releasees (regardless of whether any such person or entity ever seeks or obtains by any means, including without limitation by submitting a proof of claim and release form, any disbursement from the Settlement) shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Plaintiff's Claims against Defendants' Releasees, and shall have covenanted not to sue Defendants' Releasees with respect to all such Released Plaintiff's Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting, commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Plaintiff's Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Defendants' Releasees. [This Release shall not apply to any person or entity listed on Exhibit 1 hereto.]
- (b) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 8 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, current and former officers and directors, agents, fiduciaries, beneficiaries or legal

representatives, in their capacities as such, and any other person or entity legally entitled to bring Released Defendants' Claims on behalf of any Defendant, in that capacity, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged all Released Defendants' Claims against the Plaintiff's Releasees and shall have covenanted not to sue Plaintiff's Releasees with respect to all such Released Defendants' Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from asserting, commencing, prosecuting, instituting, assisting, instigating, or in any way participating in the commencement or prosecution of any action or other proceeding, in any forum, asserting any Released Defendants' Claim, either directly, representatively, derivatively, or in any other capacity, against any of Plaintiff's Releasees. [This Release shall not apply to any person or entity listed on Exhibit 1 hereto.]

- 8. Notwithstanding paragraphs 7(a) (b) above, nothing in this Judgment shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.
- 9. Rule 11 Findings The Court finds and concludes that the Parties and their respective counsel have complied in all respects with the requirements of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in connection with the institution, prosecution, defense, and settlement of the Action.
- 10. <u>No Admissions</u> Neither the Settlement Term Sheet, the Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits hereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Settlement Term Sheet and the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant

to or in connection with the Settlement Term Sheet, the Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

- (a) shall be offered against any of Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of Defendants' Releasee with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff or the validity of any Claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation;
- (b) shall be offered against any of Plaintiff's Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of Plaintiff's Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of Plaintiff's Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; or
- (c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount that could be or would have been recovered after trial; provided, however, that the Parties and the Releasees and

their respective counsel may refer to this Judgment and the Stipulation to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder and thereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

- 11. **Retention of Jurisdiction** Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, this Court retains continuing and exclusive jurisdiction over: (a) the Parties for purposes of the administration, interpretation, implementation and enforcement of the Settlement; (b) the disposition of the Settlement Fund; (c) any motion for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses by Lead Counsel that will be paid from the Settlement Fund; (d) any motion to approve the Plan of Allocation; (e) any motion to approve the Class Distribution Order; and (f) the Class Members for all matters relating to the Settlement.
- 12. Modification of the Agreement of Settlement Without further approval from the Court, Plaintiff and Defendants are hereby authorized to agree to and adopt such amendments or modifications of the Stipulation or any exhibits attached thereto to effectuate the Settlement that: (a) are not materially inconsistent with this Judgment; and (b) do not materially limit the rights of Class Members in connection with the Settlement. Without further order of the Court, Plaintiff and Defendants may agree to reasonable extensions of time to carry out any provisions of the Settlement.
- 13. <u>Termination of Settlement</u> If the Settlement is terminated as provided in the Stipulation or the Effective Date of the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, this Judgment shall be vacated, rendered null and void and be of no further force and effect, except as otherwise provided by the Stipulation, and this Judgment shall be without prejudice to the rights of Plaintiff, the other Class Members and Defendants, and the Parties shall revert to their respective positions in the Action as of June 15, 2019, as provided in the Stipulation. Except as otherwise provided in the Stipulation, in the event the Settlement is terminated in its entirety or if the Effective Date fails to

occur for any reason, the balance of the Settlement Fund including interest accrued therein, less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid, or payable and less any Taxes and Tax Expenses paid, due, or owing, shall be returned to Kraton (or such other persons or entities as Kraton may direct), in accordance with the Stipulation.

14. **Entry of Judgment** – There is no just reason to delay the entry of this Judgment as a final judgment in this Action. Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is expressly directed to immediately enter this final judgment in this Action.

SO ORDERED this	day of	, 2019.
		The Honorable George C. Hanks, Jr.
		United States District Judge

Exhibit 1

[List of Persons and Entities Excluded from the Class Pursuant to Request]