April 2, 2025

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re: PURDUE PHARMA L.P., ET AL., Debtors	Chapter 11 Case No- 19-23649

AMENDED OBJECTION/RESPONSE TO THE JOINT MOTION OF THE DEBTORS AND THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR AN ORDER (I) APPOINTING PI AND TPP CLAIMS ADMINISTRATORS; (II) AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CLAIMS DEADLINES AND CLAIMS OBJECTION PROCEDURES; AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

COMES NOW [redacted], a natural person personally affected by long-term, prescribed opioid use, to object to the Joint Motion seeking the appointment of claims administrators, the establishment of claims deadlines and procedures, and related relief.

I. INTRODUCTION

Claimant has repeatedly sought to address the systemic failures that enabled the over-prescription of dangerous and addictive opioids along with other drugs. These failures, enabled by insurance carriers (TPPs), governmental agencies, and the healthcare industry, have resulted in widespread harm while generating immense profits for the very entities now seeking reimbursement in this case.

II. SYSTEMIC ENABLING OF THE OPIOID CRISIS

1. **Role of Insurance Carriers and Government Agencies**
    - The opioid crisis was **not** an accident but the result of deliberate policy changes that prioritized pharmaceutical treatment over holistic care.
    - Insurance carriers (TPPs) participated in the crisis by subsidizing the funding of opioid prescriptions while failing to adequately cover affordable and alternative, non-addictive treatments.

- Governmental agencies reinforced these policies, allowing the unchecked over-prescription of opioids while ignoring the long-term consequences.

2. **Profit-Driven Healthcare Policies**
   - The Medical/Governmental/Insurance Industrial complex has prioritized profit over patient well-being.
   - The rapid growth of the healthcare economy, alongside increased disease rates and declining public health, suggests a system corrupted by greed rather than a genuine intent to heal.
   - Many healthcare providers sought to help patients, but the system itself was structured to maintain dependency rather than resolve the root causes of pain.

III. UNJUST DISTRIBUTION OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS

1. **Reimbursing the Wrong Entities**
   - The Motion and Plan proposes using the PI Trust to reimburse insurance carriers and governmental entities—the very enablers of the opioid epidemic.
   - These entities **should not** receive funds meant for individual victims who have suffered and lost years off their life or even their lives, because of their policies.
   - Without insurance payments and policy changes, the mass prescription of opioids would not have occurred.
2. **Failure to Prioritize Individual Victims**
   - The settlement funds should be **fully allocated to natural victims**—those directly harmed by the crisis—not diverted to institutions that enabled the harm and have already received the bulk of Opioid Settlement Funds.
   - Justice requires meaningful compensation, not a system where victims receive minimal relief while corporations and government agencies benefit financially with no accountability for their systemic enablement.

IV. LACK OF SYSTEMIC REFORM & VICTIM INPUT

1. **Perpetuating the Cycle of Chemical Dependence**
   - The current settlement structure focuses on treating illicit drug use rather than addressing the **root causes** of the opioid crisis.

- Governmental entities and others are using opioid settlement funds to create **a self-funding loop**, reinforcing the same flawed systems that contributed to the crisis.
- Instead of implementing true solutions, these funds are sustaining a cycle of dependency under the guise of healthcare.

2. **Excluding the Voices of Those Harmed**
   - The Medical/Governmental/Insurance Industrial Complex now dictates **"best practices"** and **"evidence-based treatments,"** while effectively ignoring the lived experiences of those harmed by their policies with alternative views.
   - Victims who speak out against these systemic failures are disregarded if their perspectives do not align with settlement guidelines that benefit the enablers.

V. RELIEF REQUESTED

Claimant respectfully requests that the Court:

- **Reject any plan that reimburses insurance carriers (TPPs) and governmental agencies** at the expense of victims.
- **Ensure the PI Trust is adequately funded** and prioritizes direct compensation for those harmed.
- **Recognize the systemic role of insurers, providers, hospitals, and government entities** in creating and sustaining the opioid crisis.
- **Establish a process that incorporates alternative victim perspectives** in settlement distribution and future policy reforms.

VI. CONCLUSION

This case must set a precedent for **true accountability**, not reinforce a system that profits from public harm. Justice cannot be reduced to a profit-driven model where those responsible for the crisis receive the largest payouts while victims are left with what remains.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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