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Unite	d States Bankruptcy Court for th	ie:			
	District of	New Jerse	ey		
Case	number (If known):		Chapter1		Check if this is an amended filing

# Official Form 201

# Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy 06/22

If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write the debtor's name and the case number (if known). For more information, a separate document, *Instructions for Bankruptcy Forms for Non-Individuals,* is available.

1.	Debtor's name	BlockFi Ventures LL	С				
2.	All other names debtor used in the last 8 years Include any assumed names,	N/A					
	trade names, and <i>doing business</i> as names						
3.	Debtor's federal Employer Identification Number (EIN)	<u>8 6 - 3 0 9 9</u>	93	7			
4.	Debtor's address	Principal place of busines			Mailing address, if di of business	fferent from p	rincipal place
		201 Montgomery Street, Su Number Street	uite 263		Number Street		
		Jersey City	NJ	07302	P.O. Box		
		City	State	ZIP Code	City	State	ZIP Code
					Location of principal principal place of bus		erent from
		Hudson County					
		County			Number Street		
					City	State	ZIP Code
5.	Debtor's website (URL)	www.blockfi.com					

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)eb	tor BlockFi Ventures LL	Case number (if known)
6.	Type of debtor	<ul> <li>Corporation (including Limited Liability Company (LLC) and Limited Liability Partnership (LLP))</li> <li>Partnership (excluding LLP)</li> <li>Other. Specify:</li> </ul>
		A. Check one:
7.	Describe debtor's business	
		☐ Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))
		☐ Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))
		Railroad (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(44))
		☐ Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))
		Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))
		Clearing Bank (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 781(3))
		X None of the above
		B. Check all that apply:
		□ Tax-exempt entity (as described in 26 U.S.C. § 501)
		<ul> <li>Investment company, including hedge fund or pooled investment vehicle (as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 80a-3)</li> </ul>
		Investment advisor (as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 80b-2(a)(11))
		C. NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) 4-digit code that best describes debtor. See <a href="http://www.uscourts.gov/four-digit-national-association-naics-codes">http://www.uscourts.gov/four-digit-national-association-naics-codes</a> .
		<u>5 2 3 9</u>
в.	Under which chapter of the	Check one:
	Bankruptcy Code is the	Chapter 7
	debtor filing?	Chapter 9
		Chapter 11. Check all that apply:
	A debtor who is a "small business debtor" must check the first sub- box. A debtor as defined in § 1182(1) who elects to proceed under subchapter V of chapter 11 (whether or not the debtor is a "small business debtor") must	□ The debtor is a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D), and its aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$3,024,725. If this sub-box is selected, attach the most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).
	check the second sub-box.	□ The debtor is a debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 1182(1), its aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$7,500,000, and it chooses to proceed under Subchapter V of Chapter 11. If this sub-box is selected, attach the most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return, or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).
		A plan is being filed with this petition.
		Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).
		The debtor is required to file periodic reports (for example, 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission according to § 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. File the Attachment to Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy under Chapter 11 (Official Form 201A) with this form.
		The debtor is a shell company as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rule 12b-2.
		Chapter 12

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				Case number (if know	n)	
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□ No 凶 Yes.	Debtor	See attache New Jersey	ed Rider		Relationship	Affiliate 11/28/2022
						MM / DD /YYYY
Debtor immed district	r has ha diately p t.	d its domicile, pri receding the date	e of this petition	or for a longer pa	art of such 180	) days than in any other
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			,			
v	Vhere is		Number	Street		
	s the pr					State ZIP Code
	<ul> <li>❑ Yes.</li> <li>❑ No</li> <li>⊠ Yes.</li> <li>Check all</li> <li>⊠ Debto immed distric</li> <li>⊠ A ban</li> <li>☑ A ban</li> <li>☑ Yes. A</li> <li>V</li> <li>U</li> <li>U</li></ul>	<ul> <li>❑ Yes. District</li> <li>District</li> <li>District</li> <li>District</li> <li>Debtor</li> <li>District</li> <li>Case num</li> </ul> Check all that appreside th	□ Yes.       District         □ District	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes. District When Use the property need immediated when Use the property secured or property for each property for each property for each property that need when the hazard? Use the property secured or property for each property for each property for each property that need when the hazard? Use the property for each pr</li></ul>	Yes.       District	Yes. District

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BlockFi Ventures L	LC	Case number (# know	n)
13. Debtor's estimation of available funds		or distribution to unsecured creditors. expenses are paid, no funds will be ava	ailable for distribution to unsecured creditors.
14. Estimated number of creditors consolidated	<ul> <li>1-49</li> <li>50-99</li> <li>100-199</li> <li>200-999</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1,000-5,000</li> <li>5,001-10,000</li> <li>10,001-25,000</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ 25,001-50,000</li> <li>□ 50,001-100,000</li> <li>☑ More than 100,000</li> </ul>
15. Estimated assets consolidated	<ul> <li>\$0-\$50,000</li> <li>\$50,001-\$100,000</li> <li>\$100,001-\$500,000</li> <li>\$500,001-\$1 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$1,000,001-\$10 million</li> <li>\$10,000,001-\$50 million</li> <li>\$50,000,001-\$100 million</li> <li>\$100,000,001-\$500 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$500,000,001-\$1 billion</li> <li>\$1,000,000,001-\$10 billion</li> <li>\$10,000,000,001-\$50 billion</li> <li>More than \$50 billion</li> </ul>
16. Estimated liabilities consolidated	<ul> <li>\$0-\$50,000</li> <li>\$50,001-\$100,000</li> <li>\$100,001-\$500,000</li> <li>\$500,001-\$1 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$1,000,001-\$10 million</li> <li>\$10,000,001-\$50 million</li> <li>\$50,000,001-\$100 million</li> <li>\$100,000,001-\$500 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$500,000,001-\$1 billion</li> <li>\$1,000,000,001-\$10 billion</li> <li>\$10,000,000,001-\$50 billion</li> <li>More than \$50 billion</li> </ul>
Request for Relief, D	eclaration, and Signatures		
		atement in connection with a bankruptc 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 357	
17. Declaration and signature of authorized representative of debtor		ief in accordance with the chapter of title	e 11, United States Code, specified in this
	I have been authorized	to file this petition on behalf of the debto	Dr.
	I have examined the info correct.	ormation in this petition and have a reas	sonable belief that the information is true and

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

Executed on 11 / 28 / 2022 MM / DD / YYYY X

Zachary Prince

Signature of authorized representative of debtor

Printed name

Chief Executive Officer of BlockFi Inc. Title \_

the sole/managing member of BlockFi Ventures LLC

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Debtor	BlockFi Ventures	LLC	Case numb	er (if known)_		
18. Signa	ature of attorney	/s/ Michael D. Sirota /s	/ Richard S. Kanowitz	Date		11/28/2022
		Signature of attorney for debtor			MM	/ DD / YYYY
		Michael D. Sirota	Richard S. Kar	nowitz		
		Printed name Cole Schotz P.C.	Haynes and B	oone,LL	P	
		Firm name				-
		25 Main Street	30 Rockefeller	Plaza,	26t	h Floor, New York, NY
		Number Street Hackensack		NJ		07601
		City		State		ZIP Code
		(201) 489-3000		msire	ota@	coleschotz.com richard.kanowitz@haynesboone.con
		Contact phone		Email	addre	255
		014321986 (Sirota); 04	7911992 (Kanowitz) N	vew Jer	sev	
		Bar number		State		

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## Pending Bankruptcy Cases Filed by the Debtor and Affiliates of the Debtor

On the date hereof, each of the entities listed below (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") filed a petition in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code. The Debtors have moved for joint administration of these cases under the case number assigned to the chapter 11 case of BlockFi Inc.

BlockFi Inc.

BlockFi Trading LLC

BlockFi Lending LLC

BlockFi Wallet LLC

BlockFi Ventures LLC

BlockFi International Ltd.

BlockFi Investment Products LLC

BlockFi Services, Inc.

BlockFi Lending II LLC

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Fill in this information to identify the case and this filing:							
Debtor Name BlockFi Ventures LL	0						
United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Case number ( <i>If known</i> ): 22-	New Jersey						

# Official Form 202 Declaration Under Penalty of Perjury for Non-Individual Debtors 12/15

An individual who is authorized to act on behalf of a non-individual debtor, such as a corporation or partnership, must sign and submit this form for the schedules of assets and liabilities, any other document that requires a declaration that is not included in the document, and any amendments of those documents. This form must state the individual's position or relationship to the debtor, the identity of the document, and the date. Bankruptcy Rules 1008 and 9011.

WARNING -- Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

#### **Declaration and signature**

I am the president, another officer, or an authorized agent of the corporation; a member or an authorized agent of the partnership; or another individual serving as a representative of the debtor in this case.

I have examined the information in the documents checked below and I have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct:

- Schedule A/B: Assets–Real and Personal Property (Official Form 206A/B)
- Schedule D: Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property (Official Form 206D)
- Schedule E/F: Creditors Who Have Unsecured Claims (Official Form 206E/F)
- Schedule G: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases (Official Form 206G)
- Schedule H: Codebtors (Official Form 206H)
- Summary of Assets and Liabilities for Non-Individuals (Official Form 206Sum)
- Amended Schedule \_\_\_\_
- Chapter 11 or Chapter 9 Cases: List of Creditors Who Have the 20 Largest Unsecured Claims and Are Not Insiders (Official Form 204)

Other document that requires a declaration List of Equity Security Holders and Statement of Corporate Ownership

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

Executed on <u>11/28/2022</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>

Signature of individual signing on behalf of debtor

Zachary Prince

Printed name

Chief Executive Officer of BlockFi Inc. Position or relationship to debtor sole/managing member of BlockFi Ventures LLC

Declaration Under Penalty of Perjury for Non-Individual Debtors

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Fill in this information to identify the case:

Debtor name: BlockFi Inc., et al.

United States Bankruptcy Court for the: District of New Jersey Case number (if known):

 $\hfill\square$  Check if this is an amended filing

#### Official Form 204

#### Chapter 11 or Chapter 9: List of Creditors Who Have the 50 Largest Unsecured Claims and Are Not Insiders

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A list of creditors holding the 50 largest unsecured claims must be filed in a Chapter 11 or Chapter 9 case. Include claims which the debtor disputes. Do not include claims by any person or entity who is an insider, as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(31). Also, do not include claims by secured creditors, unless the unsecured claim resulting from inadequate collateral value places the creditor among the holders of the 50 largest unsecured claims.

		Name, telephone number, and email address of creditor contact	(for example, trade debts, bank loans, professional services, and government	contingent,	Amount of unsecured claim If the claim is fully unsecured, fill in only unsecured claim amount. If claim is partially secured, fill in total claim amount and deduction for value of collateral or setoff to calculate unsecured claim.		
					Total claim, if partially secured	Deduction for value of collateral or setoff	Unsecured Claim
1	Ankura Trust Company, LLC, as Trustee for the Indenture dated as of February 28, 2022 James J. McGinley 140 Sherman Street, 4th Floor Fairfield, CT 06824	Ankura Trust Company, LLC, as Trustee for the Indenture dated as of February 28, 2022 James J. McGinley PHONE: 203-319-6900 EMAIL: james.mcginley@ankura.com	Indenture				\$729,036,246.00
2	West Realm Shires Inc. (FTX US) John J. Ray III 3500 South Dupont Highway Dover, DE 19901	West Realm Shires Inc. (FTX US) John J. Ray III	Loan				\$275,000,000.00
3	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$48,561,400.00
4	Securities & Exchange Commission Hane Kim Brookfield Place 200 Vesey Street, Suite 400 New York, NY 10281-1022	Securities & Exchange Commission Hane Kim PHONE: 212-336-1088 EMAIL: kimha@SEC.GOV	Settlement				\$30,000,000.00
5	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$27,930,663.00
6	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$25,531,937.00
7	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$16,450,930.00
8	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$10,092,477.00
9	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$9,130,266.00
10	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$6,500,000.00

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	me of creditor and complete mailing dress, including zip code	Name, telephone number, and email address of creditor contact	Nature of the claim (for example, trade debts, bank loans, professional services, and government contracts)	Indicate if claim is contingent,	amount. If claim is p	insecured, fill in only partially secured, fill in ion for value of collat	n total claim
					Total claim, if partially secured	Deduction for value of collateral or setoff	Unsecured Claim
11	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$6,416,732.00
12	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$6,264,675.00
13	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$6,042,827.00
14	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$5,713,322.00
15	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$5,500,232.00
16	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$5,482,181.00
17	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$5,000,000.00
18	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$4,670,469.00
19	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$3,995,213.00
20	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$3,290,438.00
21	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$3,290,186.00
22	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$3,092,832.00
23	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$3,084,390.00

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	ne of creditor and complete mailing ress, including zip code	Name, telephone number, and email address of creditor contact	Nature of the claim (for example, trade debts, bank loans, professional services, and government contracts)	Indicate if claim is contingent,	amount. If claim is p	nsecured, fill in only partially secured, fill in ion for value of collat	n total claim
					Total claim, if partially secured	Deduction for value of collateral or setoff	Unsecured Claim
24	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,733,625.00
25	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,618,909.00
26	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,600,000.00
27	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,527,023.00
28	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,385,343.00
29	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Institutional Loans		\$21,670,000.00	\$19,405,815.00	\$2,264,185.00
30	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,195,060.00
31	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$2,028,277.00
32	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,799,293.00
33	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,769,481.00
34	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,693,730.00
35	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,680,488.00
36	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,647,320.00

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	ne of creditor and complete mailing Iress, including zip code	Name, telephone number, and email address of creditor contact	Nature of the claim (for example, trade debts, bank loans, professional services, and government contracts)	Indicate if claim is contingent,	amount. If claim is p	insecured, fill in only partially secured, fill in ion for value of collat	n total claim
					Total claim, if partially secured	Deduction for value of collateral or setoff	Unsecured Claim
37	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,646,355.00
38	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,630,590.00
39	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,535,700.00
40	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,471,911.00
41	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,454,081.00
42	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,398,077.00
43	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,354,519.00
44	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,253,815.00
45	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,201,448.00
46	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,100,609.00
47	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,046,888.00
48	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,042,364.00
49	Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$1,000,189.00

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ſ	Name of creditor and complete mailing	Name, telephone number, and email	Nature of the claim	Indicate if	Amount of unsecure	ed claim	
ć	address, including zip code	address of creditor contact	(for example, trade debts,	claim is	If the claim is fully u	nsecured, fill in only	unsecured claim
			bank loans, professional	contingent,	amount. If claim is p	partially secured, fill in	n total claim
			services, and government	unliquidated,	amount and deduct	ion for value of collat	eral or setoff to
			contracts)	or disputed <sup>1</sup>	calculate unsecured	claim.	
					Total claim, if partially secured	Deduction for value of collateral or setoff	Unsecured Claim
5	50 Name and Address on File	Information on File	Client				\$999,650.00

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# United States Bankruptcy Court

District Of New Jersey

In re

BlockFi Ventures LLC

Debtor

Case No. 22-

Chapter <sup>11</sup>

DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above 1. named debtor(s) and that compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:

	For legal services, I have agreed to accept	\$(100,000 (retainer)
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received	\$_85,852.50*
	Balance Due	\$_0.00
2.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:	* In addition to the above-referenced \$85,852.50 in compensation for services rendered prior to
	X   Debtor   Other (specify)	the Petition Date, Cole Schotz has received \$1,738 in chapter 11 filing fees for this debtor, and \$1,738 in chapter 11 filing fees for each of
3.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:	and \$1,738 in chapter 11 filing fees for each of this debtor's affiliated debtors and debtors in possession.

- - X Debtor

U Other (specify)

X I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are 4. members and associates of my law firm.

 $\Box$  I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a other person or persons who are not members or associates of my law firm. A copy of the agreement, together with a list of the names of the people sharing in the compensation, is attached.

- 5. In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:
  - Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to the debtor in determining whether to a. file a petition in bankruptcy;
  - b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statements of affairs and plan which may be required;
  - Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirmation hearing, and any adjourned c. hearings thereof;

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- d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other contested bankruptcy matters;
- e. [Other provisions as needed]

See retention papers.

6. By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee does not include the following services:

None.

#### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any agreement or arrangement for payment to me for representation of the debtor(s) in this bankruptcy proceeding.

11/28/2022

/s/ Michael D. Sirota

Date

Signature of Attorney

Cole Schotz P.C.

Name of law firm

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# United States Bankruptcy Court

 $_{District\,Of}$  New Jersey

In re

**Debtor BlockFi Ventures LLC** 

Case No.	22-

DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

1. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above named debtor(s) and that compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:

For legal services, I have agreed to accept	\$ <u>750,000 (retainer)</u>
Prior to the filing of this statement I have received	. \$_1,904,529.03
Balance Due	. \$_0

2. The source of the compensation paid to me was:

Debtor	Other (specify)
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3. The source of compensation to be paid to me is:

N D	Debtor
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☐ Other (specify)

I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are 4. members and associates of my law firm.

 $\perp$  I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a other person or persons who are not members or associates of my law firm. A copy of the agreement, together with a list of the names of the people sharing in the compensation, is attached.

- 5. In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:
  - Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to the debtor in determining whether to a. file a petition in bankruptcy;
  - b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statements of affairs and plan which may be required;
  - Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirmation hearing, and any adjourned c. hearings thereof;

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- d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other contested bankruptcy matters;
- e. [Other provisions as needed]

see retention papers

6. By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee does not include the following services:

none.

CERTIFICATION
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I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any agreement or arrangement for payment to me for representation of the debtor(s) in this bankruptcy proceeding.

11/28/2022

Richard Kanowitz

Date

Signature of Attorney

Haynes and Boone, LLP

Name of law firm

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# United States Bankruptcy Court

District Of New Jersey

In re BlockFi Ventures LLC

Case No. 22 -	
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Debtor

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## DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

1. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above named debtor(s) and that compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:

For legal services, I have agreed to accept\$_	2,000,000.00 (retainer)
Prior to the filing of this statement I have received	1,470,327.45
Balance Due	0.00

2. The source of the compensation paid to me was:

<b>X</b> Debtor	Other (specify)
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3. The source of compensation to be paid to me is:

\_\_\_\_ Other (specify)

4. I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are members and associates of my law firm.

I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a other person or persons who are not members or associates of my law firm. A copy of the agreement, together with a list of the names of the people sharing in the compensation, is attached.

- 5. In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:
  - a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to the debtor in determining whether to file a petition in bankruptcy;
  - b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statements of affairs and plan which may be required;
  - c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirmation hearing, and any adjourned hearings thereof;

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- d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other contested bankruptcy matters;
- e. [Other provisions as needed]

See retention papers.

6. By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee does not include the following services:

#### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any agreement or arrangement for payment to me for representation of the debtor(s) in this bankruptcy proceeding.

November 28, 2022

/s/ Christine A. Okike

Date

Signature of Attorney

Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP

Name of law firm

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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re: BlockFi Ventures LLC

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 22-\_\_\_\_(\_\_\_)

(Joint Administration Requested)

# LIST OF EQUITY SECURITY HOLDERS

Pursuant to Rule 1007(a)(3) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, BlockFi

Ventures LLC hereby provides the following list of holders of equity interests:

Name and Address of Interest Holder	Kind of Interest	Percentage of Interests Held
BlockFi Inc. 201 Montgomery Street, Suite 263 Jersey City, NJ 07302	100% Membership	100%

DATED: November 28, 2022

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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re: BlockFi Ventures LLC

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Chapter 11

Case No. 22-\_\_\_\_(\_\_\_)

(Joint Administration Requested)

# STATEMENT OF CORPORATE OWNERSHIP

Pursuant to Rules 1007(a)(1) and 7007.1 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure,

the undersigned authorized officer of BlockFi Ventures LLC certifies that the following corporate

entities/individuals own more than 10% of the Debtor's equity interest.

Shareholder	Percentage of Total Shares
BlockFi Inc. 201 Montgomery Street, Suite 263 Jersey City, NJ 07302	100% Membership Interest

DATED: November 28, 2022

### ACTION BY JOINT UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE GOVERNING BODIES

#### November 27, 2022

The undersigned, being (i) all the members of the board of directors, (ii) all the managers, or (iii) all the members, whether one or more, as the case may be (each, a "**Governing Body**" and, collectively, the "**Governing Bodies**"), of the entities specified on the signature pages hereto (collectively, the "**Company**") do hereby consent to, adopt, and approve the resolutions set forth herein by joint written consent (this "**Consent**"), pursuant to (as applicable) and in accordance with the articles of incorporation, limited liability company agreement, operating agreement, bylaws, or similar governing document (in each case as amended or amended and restated) of each Company and the laws of the state, province, or country of formation of each Company as set forth next to each Company's name on **Exhibit A**.

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Bodies have reviewed and considered presentations by the management and the financial and legal advisors of the Company regarding the liabilities and liquidity situation of the Company, the strategic alternatives available to it, and the effect of the foregoing on the Company's business.

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Bodies have had the opportunity to consult with the management and the financial and legal advisors of the Company and to fully consider each of the strategic alternatives available to the Company.

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Bodies have reviewed and considered presentations by the management and the financial and legal advisors of the Company regarding the transactions contemplated under the proposed chapter 11 plan of reorganization (the "**Plan**").

**WHEREAS**, the Company engaged Willis Towers Watson ("**WTW**") to assist the Companies in analyzing the compensation arrangements of their respective employees;

WHEREAS, with the assistance of WTW, the Company has developed (i) the non-insider key employee retention program in the form received and reviewed by the undersigned (as the same may be modified with the approval of the undersigned, the "KERP") for certain of their employees and (ii) the non-insider targeted retention plan in the form received and reviewed by the undersigned (as the same may be modified with the approval of the undersigned, the "TRP") for certain of their employees;

**WHEREAS**, WTW has vetted and performed a *de novo* review of the KERP and the TRP in an effort to determine whether the KERP and the TRP are consistent with market practices and compensation levels for other companies operating in chapter 11, and, following its review, WTW prepared a report with respect to the KERP and the TRP (the "WTW Presentation"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Bodies have consulted with management, WTW, and the Company's restructuring counsel and other advisors regarding the KERP and the TRP; and

WHEREAS, after its review of the WTW Presentation and further deliberation and discussion with the Company's advisors and the Company's management team, the Governing Bodies deem it advisable and in the best interests of the Company, its creditors, and parties in interest to authorize the Company to implement and adopt the KERP and the TRP to retain certain non-insider employees for the duration of the Company's Chapter 11 Cases and for the Company to take any actions (including seeking approval of the KERP and the TRP from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "Bankruptcy Court")) to implement the KERP and the TRP.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

#### **Chapter 11 Filing**

**RESOLVED**, that, in the judgment of each applicable Governing Body, it is desirable and in the best interests of the Company, its stakeholders, its creditors, and other parties in interest, that each Company shall be, and hereby is, authorized to file, or cause to be filed, a voluntary petition for relief (each, a "**Chapter 11 Case**") under the provisions of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**") in the Bankruptcy Court and any other petition for relief or recognition or other order that may be desirable under applicable law in the United States.

**RESOLVED**, that any of the Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Financial Officer, any Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary or any other duly appointed officer of each Company (collectively, the "<u>Authorized Signatories</u>"), acting alone or with one or more other Authorized Signatories be, and they hereby are, authorized, empowered, and directed to execute and file on behalf of each Company all petitions, schedules, lists, and other motions, papers, or documents, and to take any and all other action that they deem necessary or proper to obtain such relief, including, without limitation, any action necessary to maintain the ordinary course operation of each Company's business.

#### **Retention of Professionals**

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP (together, "**Kirkland**") as general bankruptcy co-counsel to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations, including filing any motions, objections, replies, applications, or pleadings; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of Kirkland.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the law firm of Haynes and Boone, LLP ("**Haynes Boone**") as general bankruptcy co-counsel to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations, including filing any motions, objections, replies, applications, or pleadings; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of Haynes Boone.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the law firm of Cole Schotz P.C. ("**Cole Schotz**") as local bankruptcy counsel to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations, including filing any motions, objections, replies, applications, or pleadings; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of Cole Schotz.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the firm of Berkeley Research Group, LLC ("**BRG**"), as financial advisor to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to

advance the Company's rights and obligations; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of BRG.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the firm of Moelis & Company ("**Moelis**"), as investment banker to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of Moelis.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the firm of C Street Advisory Group, LLC ("C Street"), as strategic and communications advisors to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of C Street.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the firm of Walkers (Bermuda) Limited ("**Walkers**") as special Bermuda counsel to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed appropriate applications for authority to retain the services of Walkers.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ the firm of Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC ("**Kroll**") as notice and claims agent to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights and obligations; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers, and to cause to be filed appropriate applications for authority to retain the services of Kroll.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to employ any other professionals to assist the Company in carrying out its duties under the Bankruptcy Code; and in connection therewith, each of the Authorized Signatories, with power of delegation, is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers and fees, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of any other professionals as necessary.

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, with power of delegation, authorized, empowered, and directed to execute and file all petitions, schedules, motions, lists, applications, pleadings, and other papers and, in connection therewith, to employ and retain all assistance by legal counsel, accountants, financial advisors, and other professionals and to take and perform any and all further

acts and deeds that each of the Authorized Signatories deem necessary, proper, or desirable in connection with the Company's Chapter 11 Case, with a view to the successful prosecution of such case.

#### **Bermuda Ancillary Proceedings**

**RESOLVED**, that in the judgment of the Governing Body of BlockFi International Ltd. ("**BlockFi International**") it is desirable and in the best interest of BlockFi International, its interest holders, its creditors, and other parties in interest, that BlockFi International file or cause to be filed a winding-up petition in furtherance of a local Bermuda proceedings (the "**Bermuda Petition**") in the Supreme Court of Bermuda (the "**Bermuda Court**");

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized to file or cause to be filed with the Bermuda Court the Bermuda Petition;

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized, empowered and directed to, concurrent with the filing of the Bermuda Petition, make an application to appoint [Ernst & Young] as joint provisional liquidator; and

**RESOLVED**, that each of the Authorized Signatories be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to execute (under the Common Seal of the Company, if appropriate), deliver, and file or cause to be filed with the Bermuda Court, including through Walkers, on behalf of BlockFi International, all papers, motions, applications, schedules, and pleadings necessary or convenient to facilitate the Bermuda Petition and all other matters and proceedings, and any and all other documents, including affidavits and declarations, necessary or appropriate in connection with the Bermuda Petition, each in such form or forms as the Authorized Signatories may approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by said individual taking such action or the execution thereof.

#### Non-Insider Key Employee Retention Program

**RESOLVED**, that the Company approves and adopts the KERP and the TRP (in each case, as the same may be subject to approval from the Bankruptcy Court); and

**RESOLVED**, that any of Authorized Signatories be, and each hereby is, authorized, empowered, and directed to cause the Company to implement the KERP and the TRP;

#### <u>General</u>

**RESOLVED**, that with respect to each of the foregoing entities authorized to file a chapter 11 case (each a "**Filing Entity**" and, collectively, the "**Filing Entities**"), any and all past actions heretofore taken by the Authorized Signatories, any director, any manager, or any member of any Filing Entity in the name and on behalf of such Filing Entity in furtherance of any or all of the preceding resolutions be, and the same hereby are, ratified, confirmed, and approved in all respects; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Governing Body of each Filing Entity has received sufficient notice of the actions and transactions relating to the matters contemplated by this Consent, as required by the governance documents of such Filing Entity, or hereby waives any right to have received such notice.

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# Exhibit A

# Company

Company	Jurisdiction
BlockFi Inc.	Delaware
BlockFi Wallet LLC	Delaware
BlockFi Ventures LLC	Delaware
BlockFi Trading LLC	Delaware
BlockFi Services, Inc.	Delaware
BlockFi Lending LLC	Delaware
BlockFi Lending II LLC	Delaware
BlockFi Investment Products LLC	Delaware
BlockFi International Ltd.	Bermuda

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have executed and delivered this consent effective as of the date first set forth above.

**BLOCKFI INC.** 

DocuSigned by: EACHARY LEE PRIME

Name: Zachary Lee Prince Title: Director

Florencia Marguez

Name: Florencia Marquez Title: Director

DocuSigned by:

Tony Lauro

Name: Tony Lauro II Title: Director

DocuSigned by:

Name: Jennifer Hill Title: Independent Director

-DocuSigned by: Scott Vogel

Name: Scott Vogel Title: Independent Director

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## **BLOCKFI TRADING LLC**

DocuSigned by: Alan (arr

Name: Alan J. Carr Title: Independent Manager

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## **BLOCKFI LENDING LLC**

-DocuSigned by: Hanney Typner

Name: Harvey L. Tepner Title: Independent Manager DocuSign Enverse 22-1936715-006-9-67-18671928/22 Entered 11/28/22 10:49:59 Desc Consent Page 9 of 13

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#### **BLOCKFI LENDING II LLC**

By: **BLOCKFI LENDING LLC** Its: Sole Member

DocuSigned by: EACHARY LEE PRIME

Name: Zachary Lee Prince Title: President

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## **BLOCKFI WALLET LLC**

DocuSigned by: Pamela Corrie

Name: Pamela B. Corrie Title: Independent Manager DocuSign Enverse 22-1936715-006-1-18671928/22 Entered 11/28/22 10:49:59 Desc Consent Page 11 of 13

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#### BLOCKFI VENTURES LLC BLOCKFI INVESTMENT PRODUCTS LLC

By: **BLOCKFI INC.** Its: Sole Member

DocuSigned by: EACHARY LEE PRINCE

Name: Zachary Lee Prince Title: Chief Executive Officer and President DocuSign Enverse 22-19367<sup>515</sup> Doc 1-1<sup>-1865</sup> 122 Entered 11/28/22 10:49:59 Desc Consent Page 12 of 13

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have executed and delivered this consent effective as of the date first set forth above.

### **BLOCKFI SERVICES, INC.,**

DocuSigned by: Amit (heela

Name: Amit Cheela Title: Director DocuSign Enverse 22-19367<sup>515</sup> Doc 1-1<sup>-1865</sup> 122 Entered 11/28/22 10:49:59 Desc Consent Page 13 of 13

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## **BLOCKFI INTERNATIONAL LTD.**

DocuSigned by:

Name: Jill Frizzley Title: Director