# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 1, 2025

# **HPS Corporate Lending Fund**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 814-01431 (Commission File Number) 87-6391045 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

40 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 33<sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY (Address of principal executive offices)

10019 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 287-6767

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

	Trading	Name of each exchange
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	on which registered

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

#### New Investment Advisory Agreement

In connection with the close of the transaction pursuant to which BlackRock, Inc. and certain of its affiliates ("<u>BlackRock</u>") acquired 100% of the business and assets of HPS Investment Partners, LLC ("<u>HPS</u>"), the parent company of HPS Advisors, LLC (the "<u>Adviser</u>") (the "<u>Transaction</u>"), on July 1, 2025 (the "<u>Closing Date</u>"), HPS Corporate Lending Fund (the "<u>Company</u>") entered into a new investment advisory agreement (the "<u>New Investment Advisory Agreement</u>") between the Company and the Adviser, the Company's current investment adviser. The New Investment Advisory Agreement was previously approved by a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company at a special meeting of shareholders of the Company held on April 16, 2025 (the "<u>Special Meeting</u>") to become effective upon the closing of the Transaction. The New Investment Advisory Agreement is substantively identical in all respects to the current investment advisory agreement between the Company and the Adviser, dated November 27, 2024 (the "<u>Current Investment Advisory Agreement</u>"), except as described in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 14, 2025.

The description above is only a summary of the New Investment Advisory Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by reference to a copy of the New Investment Advisory Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

#### New Managing Dealer Agreement

On the Closing Date, the Company entered into a new managing dealer agreement (the "<u>New Managing Dealer Agreement</u>") between the Company and HPS Securities, LLC (the "<u>Managing Dealer</u>"), the Company's current managing dealer. The New Managing Dealer Agreement is substantively identical to the current managing dealer agreement between the Company and the Managing Dealer, dated April 11, 2024 (the "<u>Current Managing Dealer Agreement</u>").

The foregoing description of the New Managing Dealer Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to a copy of the New Managing Dealer Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

#### New Administration Agreement

On the Closing Date, the Company entered into a new administration agreement (the "<u>New Administration Agreement</u>") between the Company and HPS, in its capacity as the current administrator of the Company (the "<u>Administrator</u>"). The New Administration Agreement is substantively identical to the current administration agreement between the Company and the Administrator, dated November 27, 2024 (the "<u>Current Administration Agreement</u>").

The foregoing description of the New Administration Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to a copy of the New Administration Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 1, 2025, in connection with the entry into the New Investment Advisory Agreement as described above in Item 1.01, the Current Investment Advisory Agreement and the New Investment Advisory Agreement are substantively identical in all respects, except as described in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 14, 2025.

On July 1, 2025, in connection with the entry into the New Managing Dealer Agreement as described above in Item 1.01, the Current Managing Dealer Agreement was terminated. The Current Managing Dealer Agreement and the New Managing Dealer Agreement are substantively identical.

On July 1, 2025, in connection with the entry into the New Administration Agreement as described above in Item 1.01, the Current Administration Agreement and the New Administration Agreement are substantively identical.

### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On July 1, 2025, BlackRock completed its previously announced acquisition of 100% of the business and assets of HPS.

A copy of the press release announcing the closing of the Transaction is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 10.1 New Investment Advisory Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2025, by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, and HPS Advisors, LLC.
- 10.2 New Managing Dealer Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2025, by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, and HPS Securities, LLC.
- 10.3 New Administration Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2025, by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, and HPS Investment Partners, LLC.
- 99.1 Press Release.
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# **HPS Corporate Lending Fund**

Date: July 1, 2025

By: /s/ Robert Busch

Name: Robert Busch

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer

#### **INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT**

This Investment Advisory Agreement, dated and effective as of July 1, 2025 (this "Agreement"), is made by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, a Delaware statutory trust (herein referred to as the "Fund"), and HPS Advisors, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (herein referred to as the "Adviser").

1. <u>Appointment of Adviser</u>. The Adviser hereby undertakes and agrees, upon the terms and conditions herein set forth, to provide overall investment advisory services for the Fund and in connection therewith to, in accordance with the Fund's investment objective, policies and restrictions as in effect from time to time:

(a) determining the composition of the Fund's portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to the Fund's portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes in accordance with the Fund's investment objective, policies and restrictions;

(b) identifying investment opportunities and making investment decisions for the Fund, including negotiating the terms of investments in, and dispositions of, portfolio securities and other instruments on the Fund's behalf;

(c) monitoring the Fund's investments;

(d) performing due diligence on prospective portfolio companies;

(e) exercising voting rights in respect of portfolio securities and other investments for the Fund;

(f) serving on, and exercising observer rights for, boards of directors and similar committees of the Fund's portfolio companies;

(g) negotiating, obtaining and managing financing facilities and other forms of leverage; and

(h) providing the Fund with such other investment advisory and related services as the Fund may, from time to time, reasonably require for the investment of capital, which may include, without limitation:

(i) making, in consultation with the Fund's board of trustees (the "Board of Trustees"), investment strategy decisions for the Fund;

(ii) serving as the Fund's valuation designee pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**1940** Act") and reasonably assisting the Fund's other service providers with the valuation of the Fund's assets;

(iii) directing investment professionals of the Adviser or non-investment professionals of HPS, in its capacity as the Fund's administrator (in such capacity, the "Administrator"), to provide managerial assistance to portfolio companies of the Fund as requested by the Fund, from time to time; and

(iv) exercising voting rights in respect of the Fund's portfolio securities and other investments.

(v) The Adviser shall, upon request by an official or agency administering the securities laws of a state (a "**State Administrator**"), submit to such State Administrator the reports and statements required to be distributed to the Fund's shareholders pursuant to this Agreement, any registration statement filed with the SEC and applicable federal and state law.

The Adviser has a fiduciary responsibility and duty to the Fund for the safekeeping and use of all the funds and assets of the Fund, whether or not in the Adviser's immediate possession or control. The Adviser shall not employ, or permit another to employ, such funds or assets except for the exclusive benefit of the Fund. The Adviser shall not contract away any fiduciary obligation owed by the Adviser to the Fund's shareholders under common law.

Subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees, the Adviser shall have the power and authority on behalf of the Fund to effectuate its investment decisions for the Fund, including the execution and delivery of all documents relating to the Fund's investments, the placing of orders for other purchase or sale transactions on behalf of the Fund and causing the Fund to pay investment-related expenses. In the event that the Fund determines to acquire debt financing, the Adviser will arrange for such financing on the Fund's behalf. If it is necessary or appropriate for the Adviser to make investments on behalf of the Fund through a special purpose vehicle, the Adviser shall have authority to create or arrange for the creation of such special purpose vehicle (in accordance with the 1940 Act).

Subject to the prior approval of a majority of the Board of Trustees, including a majority of the Board of Trustees who are not "interested persons" of the Fund and, to the extent required by the 1940 Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, subject to any applicable guidance or interpretation of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") or its staff, by the shareholders of the Fund, as applicable, the Adviser may, from time to time, delegate to a sub-adviser or other service provider any of the Adviser's duties under this Agreement, including the management of all or a portion of the assets being managed. The Fund acknowledges that the Adviser makes no warranty that any investments made by the Adviser hereunder will not depreciate in value or at any time not be affected by adverse tax consequences, nor does it give any warranty as to the performance or profitability of the assets or the success of any investment strategy recommended or used by the Adviser.

2. Expenses. In connection herewith, the Adviser agrees to maintain personnel within its organization to furnish the above services to the Fund. The Adviser shall bear all expenses arising out of its duties hereunder, except as provided in this Section 2.

Except as specifically provided below and above in Section 1 hereof, the Fund anticipates that all investment professionals and staff of the Adviser, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory services to the Fund, and the base compensation, bonus and benefits, and the routine overhead expenses, of such personnel allocable to such services, will be provided and paid for by the Adviser. The Fund will bear all other costs and expenses of the Fund's operations, administration and transactions, including, but not limited to:

(a) investment advisory fees, including management fees and incentive fees, paid to the Adviser pursuant to this Agreement;

(b) the Fund's allocable portion of compensation, overhead (including rent, office equipment and utilities) and other expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its administrative obligations under the administration agreement between the Fund and the Administrator (the "**Administration Agreement**"), including but not limited to: (i) the Fund's chief compliance officer, chief financial officer and their respective staffs; (ii) investor relations, legal, operations and other non-investment professionals at the Administrator that perform duties for the Fund; and (iii) any internal audit group personnel of BPS or any of its affiliates; and

(c) all other expenses of the Fund's operations, administrations and transactions including, without limitation, those relating to:

(i) organization and offering expenses associated with this offering (including legal, accounting, printing, mailing, subscription processing and filing fees and expenses and other offering expenses, including costs associated with technology integration between the Fund's systems and those of participating broker-dealers, reasonable bona fide due diligence expenses of participating broker-dealers supported by detailed and itemized invoices, costs in connection with preparing sales materials and other marketing expenses, design and website expenses, fees and expenses of the Fund's escrow agent and transfer agent, fees to attend retail seminars sponsored by participating broker-dealers and costs, expenses and reimbursements for travel, meals, accommodations, entertainment and other similar expenses related to meetings or events with prospective investors, broker-dealers, registered investment advisors or financial or other advisors, but excluding the shareholder servicing fee);

(ii) all taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, retainers and/or other payments of accountants, legal counsel, advisors (including tax advisors), administrators, auditors (including with respect to any additional auditing required under The Directive 2011/61/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on Alternative Investment Fund Managers and any applicable legislation implemented by an EEA Member state in connection with such Directive (the "AIFMD"), investment bankers, administrative agents, paying agents, depositaries, custodians, trustees, sub-custodians, consultants (including individuals consulted through expert network consulting firms), engineers, senior advisors, industry experts, operating partners, deal sourcers (including personnel dedicated to but not employed by the Administrator or its affiliates in the creditfocused business of HPS), and other professionals (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the costs and charges allocable with respect to the provision of internal legal, tax, accounting, technology or other services and professionals related thereto (including secondees and temporary personnel or consultants that may be engaged on short- or long-term arrangements) as deemed appropriate by the Administrator, with the oversight of the Board of Trustees, where such internal personnel perform services that would be paid by the Fund if outside service providers provided the same services); fees, costs, and expenses herein include (x) costs, expenses and fees for hours spent by its in-house attorneys and tax advisors that provide transactional legal advice and/or services to the Fund or its portfolio companies on matters related to potential or actual investments and transactions and the ongoing operations of the Fund and (y) expenses and fees to provide administrative and accounting services to the Fund or its portfolio companies, and expenses, charges and/or related costs incurred directly by the Fund or affiliates in connection with such services (including overhead related thereto), in each case, (I) that are specifically charged or specifically allocated or attributed by the Administrator, with the oversight of the Board of Trustees, to the Fund or its portfolio companies and (II) provided that any such amounts shall not be greater than what would be paid to an unaffiliated third party for substantially similar advice and/or services);

(iii) the cost of calculating the Fund's net asset value, including the cost of any third-party valuation services;

(iv) the cost of effecting any sales and repurchases of the Fund's shares and other securities;

(v) fees and expenses payable under any managing dealer and selected dealer agreements, if any;

(vi) interest and fees and expenses arising out of all borrowings, guarantees and other financings or derivative transactions (including interest, fees and related legal expenses) made or entered into by the Fund, including, but not limited to, the arranging thereof and related legal expenses;

(vii) all fees, costs and expenses of any loan servicers and other service providers and of any custodians, lenders, investment banks and other financing sources;

(viii) costs incurred in connection with the formation or maintenance of entities or vehicles to hold the Fund's assets for tax or other purposes;

(ix) costs of derivatives and hedging;

(x) expenses, including travel, entertainment, lodging and meal expenses, incurred by the Adviser, or members of its investment team, or payable to third parties, in evaluating, developing, negotiating, structuring and performing due diligence on prospective portfolio companies, including such expenses related to potential investments that were not consummated, and, if necessary, enforcing the Fund's rights;

(xi) expenses (including the allocable portions of compensation and out-of-pocket expenses such as travel expenses) or an appropriate portion thereof of employees of the Adviser or its affiliates to the extent such expenses relate to attendance at meetings of the Board of Trustees or any committees thereof;

(xii) all fees, costs and expenses, if any, incurred by or on behalf of the Fund in developing, negotiating and structuring prospective or potential investments that are not ultimately made, including, without limitation any legal, tax, administrative, accounting, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment, advisory, consulting and printing expenses, reverse termination fees and any liquidated damages, commitment fees that become payable in connection with any proposed investment that is not ultimately made, forfeited deposits or similar payments;

(xiii) the allocated costs incurred by the Adviser and the Administrator in providing managerial assistance to those portfolio companies that request it;

(xiv) all brokerage costs, hedging costs, prime brokerage fees, custodial expenses, agent bank and other bank service fees; private placement fees, commissions, appraisal fees, commitment fees and underwriting costs; costs and expenses of any lenders, investment banks and other financing sources, and other investment costs, fees and expenses actually incurred in connection with evaluating, making, holding, settling, clearing, monitoring or disposing of actual investments (including, without limitation, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment expenses and any expenses related to attending trade association and/or industry meetings, conferences or similar meetings, any costs or expenses relating to currency conversion in the case of investments denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars) and expenses arising out of trade settlements (including any delayed compensation expenses);

(xv) investment costs, including all fees, costs and expenses incurred in sourcing, evaluating, developing, negotiating, structuring, trading (including trading errors), settling, monitoring and holding prospective or actual investments or investment strategies including, without limitation, any financing, legal, filing, auditing, tax, accounting, compliance, loan administration, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment, advisory, consulting, engineering, data-related and other professional fees, costs and expenses in connection therewith (to the extent the Adviser is not reimbursed by a prospective or actual issuer of the applicable investment or other third parties or capitalized as part of the acquisition price of the transaction) and any fees, costs and expenses related to the organization or maintenance of any vehicle through which the Fund directly or indirectly participates in the acquisition, holding and/or disposition of investments or which otherwise facilitate the Fund's investment activities, including without limitation any travel and accommodations expenses related to such vehicle and the salary and benefits of any personnel (including personnel of Adviser or its affiliates) reasonably necessary and/or advisable for the maintenance and operation of such vehicle, or other overhead expenses (including any fees, costs and expenses associated with the leasing of office space (which may be made with one or more affiliates of HPS as lessor in connection therewith));

(xvi) transfer agent, dividend agent and custodial fees;

(xvii) fees and expenses associated with marketing efforts;

(xviii) federal and state registration fees, franchise fees, any stock exchange listing fees and fees payable to rating agencies;

(xix) independent trustees' fees and expenses including reasonable travel, entertainment, lodging and meal expenses, and any legal counsel or other advisors retained by, or at the discretion or for the benefit of, the independent trustees;

(xx) costs of preparing financial statements and maintaining books and records, costs of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 compliance and attestation and costs of preparing and filing reports or other documents with the SEC, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") and other regulatory bodies and other reporting and compliance costs, including registration and exchange listing and the costs associated with reporting and compliance obligations under the 1940 Act and any other applicable federal and state securities laws, and the compensation of professionals responsible for the foregoing;

(xxi) all fees, costs and expenses associated with the preparation and issuance of the Fund's periodic reports and related statements (e.g., financial statements and tax returns) and other internal and third-party printing (including a flat service fee), publishing (including time spent performing such printing and publishing services) and reporting-related expenses (including other notices and communications) in respect of the Fund and its activities (including internal expenses, charges and/or related costs incurred, charged or specifically attributed or allocated by the Fund or the Adviser or its affiliates in connection with such provision of services thereby);

(xxii) the costs of any reports, proxy statements or other notices to shareholders (including printing and mailing costs) and the costs of any shareholder or Trustee meetings;

(xxiii) proxy voting expenses;

(xxiv) costs associated with an exchange listing;

(xxv) costs of registration rights granted to certain investors;

(xxvi) any taxes and/or tax-related interest, fees or other governmental charges (including any penalties incurred where the Adviser lacks sufficient information from third parties to file a timely and complete tax return) levied against the Fund and all expenses incurred in connection with any tax audit, investigation, litigation, settlement or review of the Fund and the amount of any judgments, fines, remediation or settlements paid in connection therewith;

(xxvii) all fees, costs and expenses of any litigation, arbitration or audit involving the Fund any vehicle or its portfolio companies and the amount of any judgments, assessments fines, remediations or settlements paid in connection therewith, Trustees and officers, liability or other insurance (including costs of title insurance) and indemnification (including advancement of any fees, costs or expenses to persons entitled to indemnification) or extraordinary expense or liability relating to the affairs of the Fund;

(xxviii) all fees, costs and expenses associated with the Fund's information, obtaining and maintaining technology (including the costs of any professional service providers), hardware/software, data-related communication, market data and research (including news and quotation equipment and services and including costs allocated by the Adviser's or its affiliates' internal and third-party research group (which are generally based on time spent, assets under management, usage rates, proportionate holdings or a combination thereof or other reasonable methods determined by the Administrator) and expenses and fees (including compensation costs) charged or specifically attributed or allocated by Adviser and/or its affiliates for data-related services provided to the Fund and/or its portfolio companies (including in connection with prospective investments), each including expenses, charges, fees and/or related costs of an internal nature; provided, that any such expenses, charges or related costs shall not be greater than what would be paid to an unaffiliated third party for substantially similar services) reporting costs (which includes notices and other communications and internally allocated charges), and dues and expenses incurred in connection with membership in industry or trade organizations;

(xxix) the costs of specialty and custom software for monitoring risk, compliance and the overall portfolio, including any development costs incurred prior to the filing of the Fund's election to be treated as a business development company;

(xxx) costs associated with individual or group shareholders;

(xxxi) fidelity bond, trustees and officers errors and omissions liability insurance and other insurance premiums;

(xxxii) direct costs and expenses of administration, including printing, mailing, long distance telephone, copying and secretarial and other staff;

(xxxiii) all fees, costs and expenses of winding up and liquidating the Fund's assets;

(xxxiv) extraordinary expenses (such as litigation or indemnification);

(xxxv) all fees, costs and expenses related to compliance-related matters (such as developing and implementing specific policies and procedures in order to comply with certain regulatory requirements) and regulatory filings; notices or disclosures related to the Fund's activities (including, without limitation, expenses relating to the preparation and filing of filings required under the Securities Act, TIC Form SLT filings, Internal Revenue Service filings under FATCA and FBAR reporting requirements applicable to the Fund or reports to be filed with the CFTC, reports, disclosures, filings and notifications prepared in connection with the laws and/or

regulations of jurisdictions in which the Fund engages in activities, including any notices, reports and/or filings required under the AIFMD, European Securities and Markets Authority and any related regulations, and other regulatory filings, notices or disclosures of the Adviser relating to the Fund and its affiliates relating to the Fund, and their activities) and/or other regulatory filings, notices or disclosures of the Adviser and its affiliates relating to the Fund including those pursuant to applicable disclosure laws and expenses relating to FOIA requests, but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any expenses incurred for general compliance and regulatory matters that are not related to the Fund and its activities;

(xxxvi) costs and expenses (including travel) in connection with the diligence and oversight of the Fund's service providers;

(xxxvii) costs and expenses, including travel, meals, accommodations, entertainment and other similar expenses, incurred by the Adviser or its affiliates for meetings with existing investors and any broker-dealers, registered investment advisors, financial and other advisors representing such existing investors; and

(xxxviii) all other expenses incurred by the Administrator in connection with administering the Fund's business.

(xxxix) In addition to the compensation paid to the Adviser pursuant to Section 5, the Fund shall reimburse the Adviser or its affiliates, as applicable, for all expenses of the Fund incurred by the Adviser (or such affiliates) as well as the actual cost of goods and services used for or by the Fund and obtained from entities not affiliated with the Adviser. The Adviser or its affiliates may be reimbursed for the administrative services performed by it or such affiliates on behalf of the Fund pursuant to any separate administration or co-administration agreement with the Adviser (or such affiliates); however, no reimbursement shall be permitted for services for which the Adviser (or such affiliates) is entitled to compensation by way of a separate fee. Excluded from the allowable reimbursement shall be:

(i) rent or depreciation, utilities, capital equipment, and other administrative items of the Adviser; and

(ii) salaries, fringe benefits, travel expenses and other administrative items incurred or allocated to any Controlling Person of the Adviser. The term "Controlling Person" shall mean a person, whatever his or her title, who performs functions for the Adviser similar to those of (a) the chairman or other member of a board of directors, (b) executive officers or (c) those holding 10% or more equity interest in the Adviser, or a person having the power to direct or cause the direction of the Adviser, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

From time to time, the Adviser, the Administrator or their affiliates may pay third-party providers of goods or services. The Fund will reimburse the Adviser, the Administrator or such affiliates thereof for any such amounts paid on the Fund's behalf. From time to time, the Adviser or the Administrator may defer or waive fees and/or rights to be reimbursed for expenses. All of the foregoing expenses will ultimately be borne by the Fund's shareholders.

3. <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. The Adviser is authorized on behalf of the Fund, from time to time when deemed to be in the best interests of the Fund and to the extent permitted by applicable law, to purchase and/or sell securities in which the Adviser or any of its affiliates underwrites, deals in and/or makes a market and/or may perform or seek to perform investment banking services for issuers of such securities. The Adviser is further authorized, to the extent permitted by applicable law, to select brokers (including any brokers affiliated with the Adviser) for the execution of trades for the Fund.

#### 4. Best Execution; Research Services.

(a) The Adviser is authorized, for the purchase and sale of the Fund's portfolio securities, to employ such dealers and brokers as may, in the judgment of the Adviser, implement the policy of the Fund to obtain the best results, taking into account such factors as price, including dealer spread, the size, type and difficulty of the transaction involved, the firm's general execution and operational facilities and the firm's risk in positioning the securities involved. Consistent with this policy, the Adviser is authorized to direct the execution of the Fund's portfolio transactions to dealers and brokers furnishing statistical information or research deemed by the Adviser to be useful or valuable to the performance of its investment advisory functions for the Fund. It is understood that in these circumstances, as contemplated by Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the commissions paid may be higher than those which the Fund might otherwise have paid to another broker if those services had not been provided. Information so received will be in addition to and not in lieu of the services required to be performed by the Adviser. It is understood that the expenses of the Adviser will not necessarily be reduced as a result of the receipt of such information or research. Research services furnished to the Adviser by brokers who effect securities transactions for the Fund may be used by the Adviser in servicing other investment companies, entities or funds and accounts which it eaders and accounts which the Adviser manages may be used by the Adviser in servicing the Fund. It is understood that not all of these research services are used by the Adviser in managing any particular account, including the Fund.

The Adviser and its affiliates may aggregate purchase or sale orders for the assets with purchase or sale orders for the same security for other clients' accounts of the Adviser or of its affiliates, the Adviser's own accounts and hold proprietary positions in accordance with its current aggregation and allocation policy (collectively, the "Advisory Clients"), but only if (x) in the Adviser's reasonable judgment such aggregation results in an overall economic or other benefit to the assets taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses and factors and (y) the Adviser's actions with respect to aggregating orders for multiple Advisory Clients, as well as the Fund, are consistent with applicable law. However, the Adviser is under no obligation to aggregate any such orders under any circumstances.

(b) All Front End Fees (as defined in the Declaration of Trust) shall be reasonable and shall not exceed 18% of the gross proceeds of any offering, regardless of the source of payment and the percentage of gross proceeds of any offering committed to investment shall be at least eighty-two percent (82%). All items of compensation to underwriters or dealers, including, but not limited to, selling commissions, expenses, rights of first refusal, consulting fees, finders' fees and all other items of compensation of any kind or description paid by the Fund, directly or indirectly, shall be taken into consideration in computing the amount of allowable Front End Fees.

#### 5. Remuneration.

The Fund agrees to pay, and the Adviser agrees to accept, as compensation for the services provided by the Adviser hereunder, a base management fee and an incentive fee as hereinafter set forth. The Fund shall make any payments due hereunder to the Adviser or to the Adviser's designee as the Adviser may otherwise direct.

(a) <u>Management Fee</u>. The management fee is payable monthly in arrears at an annual rate of 1.25% of the Fund's net assets as of the beginning of the first business day of the month.

(b) <u>Incentive Fee</u>. The incentive fee will consist of two components that are independent of each other, with the result that one component may be payable even if the other is not. A portion of the incentive fee is based on a percentage of the Fund's income and a portion is based on a percentage of the Fund's capital gains, each as described below.

(i) Incentive Fee on Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income. The portion based on the Fund's income is based on Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns. "Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns" means, as the context requires, either the dollar value of, or percentage rate of return on the value of the Fund's net assets at the end of the immediate preceding quarter from, interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees (other than fees for providing managerial assistance), such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees or other fees that the Fund receives from portfolio companies) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus the Fund's operating expenses accrued for the quarter (including the management fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, and any interest expense or fees on any credit facilities or outstanding debt and dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred shares, but excluding the incentive fee and any distribution or shareholder servicing fees).

Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns include, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with pay-in-kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income that the Fund has not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns do not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. For purposes of computing the Fund's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, the calculation methodology will look through total return swaps as if the Fund owned the referenced assets directly.

Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns, expressed as a rate of return on the value of the Fund's net assets at the end of the immediate preceding quarter, is compared to a "hurdle rate" of return of 1.25% per quarter (5.0% annualized).

The Fund will pay the Adviser an incentive fee quarterly in arrears with respect to the Fund's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns in each calendar quarter as follows:

- no incentive fee based on Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns in any calendar quarter in which the Fund's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns do not exceed the hurdle rate of 1.25%;
- 100% of the dollar amount of the Fund's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns with respect to that portion of such Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income hurdle rate but is less than a rate of return of 1.43% (5.72% annualized). This is referred to as Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns (which exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 1.43%) as the "catch-up"; and
- 12.5% of the dollar Returns, if any, that exceeds the amount of the Fund's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns, if any, that exceed a rate of return of 1.43% (5.72% annualized).

(ii) <u>Incentive Fee Based on Capital Gains</u>. The second component of the incentive fee, the capital gains incentive fee, is payable at the end of each calendar year in arrears.

The amount payable equals:

12.5% of cumulative realized capital gains from inception of the Fund through the end of such calendar year, computed net of all
realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation on a cumulative basis, less the aggregate amount of any incentive fee on
capital gains previously paid by the Fund (under this Agreement or any other agreement) as calculated in accordance with GAAP.

Each year, the fee paid for the capital gains incentive fee is net of the aggregate amount of any capital gains incentive fee previously paid by the Fund (under this Agreement or any other agreement) for all prior periods. The Fund will accrue, but will not pay, a capital gains incentive fee with respect to unrealized appreciation because a capital gains incentive fee would be owed to the Adviser if the Fund were to sell the relevant investment and realize a capital gain. For the purpose of computing the capital gains incentive fee, the calculation methodology will look through derivative financial instruments or swaps as if the Fund owned the reference assets directly. In no event will the capital gains incentive fee payable pursuant to this Agreement be in excess of the amount permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"), including Section 205 thereof.

The fees that are payable under this Agreement for any partial period will be appropriately prorated; provided, however, fees payable for (i) the first monthly period, with respect to the management fee, (ii) the first quarterly period, with respect to the incentive fee on Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income Returns, and (iii) the first annual period for the incentive fee on capital gains, in each case, following the date of this Agreement, shall cover the full respective monthly, quarterly and annual periods, including for the avoidance of doubt, any portion of such periods before the date of this Agreement (such periods, the "**Pre-Agreement Periods**"). The parties agree that, in consideration for the foregoing, the Adviser has agreed to waive all other base management fees and incentive fees it may be due from the Fund for the Pre-Agreement Periods under any other agreement.

#### 6. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Adviser represents and warrants that it is duly registered and authorized as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act, and the Adviser agrees to maintain effective all material requisite registrations, authorizations and licenses, as the case may be, until the termination of this Agreement.

(b) The Adviser shall prepare or shall cause to be prepared and distributed to shareholders during each year the following reports of the Fund (either included in a periodic report filed with the SEC or distributed in a separate report) (i) within sixty (60) days of the end of each quarter, a report containing the same financial information contained in the Fund's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed by the Fund under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and (ii) within one hundred and twenty (120) days after the end of the Fund's fiscal year, an annual report that shall include financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP which are audited and reported on by independent certified public accountants; (iii) a report of the material activities of the Fund during the period covered by the report; (iv) where forecasts have been provided to the Fund's shareholders, a table comparing the forecasts previously provided with the actual results during the period covered by the report; and (v) a report setting forth distributions to the Fund's shareholders for the period covered thereby and separately identifying distributions from: (A) cash flow from operations during a prior period which have been held as reserves; (C) proceeds from disposition of assets; and (D) reserves from the gross proceeds of the Fund's offering.

(c) From time to time and not less than quarterly, the Fund shall cause the Adviser to review the Fund's accounts to determine whether cash distributions are appropriate. The Fund may, subject to authorization by the Board of Trustees, distribute pro rata to the Fund's shareholders funds which the Board deems unnecessary to retain in the Fund. The Board may from time to time authorize the Fund to declare and pay to the Fund's shareholders such dividends or other distributions, in cash or other assets of the Fund or in securities of the Fund, including in shares of one class or series payable to the holders of the shares of another class or series, or from any other source as the Board of Trustees in its discretion shall determine. Any such cash distributions to the Adviser shall be made only out of funds legally available therefor pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law, as amended from time to time.

(d) The Adviser shall, in its sole discretion, temporarily place proceeds from offerings by the Fund of its equity securities into short-term, highly liquid investments which, in its reasonable judgment, afford appropriate safety of principal during such time as it is determining the composition and allocation of the portfolio of the Fund and the nature, timing and implementation of any changes thereto pursuant to Section 1 of the this Agreement; provided however, that the Adviser shall be under no fiduciary obligation to select any such short-term, highly liquid investment based solely on any yield or return of such investment. The Adviser shall cause any proceeds of the offering of Fund securities not committed for investment within the later of two years from the date of effectiveness of the Fund's initial registration statement or one year from termination of the offering, unless a longer period is permitted by the applicable State Administrator, to be paid as a distribution to the shareholders of the Fund as a return of capital without deduction of a sales load.

#### 7. Services Not Deemed Exclusive. The Fund and the Board of Trustees acknowledge and agree that:

(a) the services provided hereunder by the Adviser are not to be deemed exclusive, and the Adviser and any of its affiliates or related persons are free to render similar services to others and to use the research developed in connection with this Agreement for other Advisory Clients or affiliates. The Fund agrees that the Adviser may give advice and take action with respect to any of its other Advisory Clients which may differ from advice given or the timing or nature of action taken with respect to any client or account so long as it is the Adviser's policy, to the extent practicable, to allocate investment opportunities to the client or account on a fair and equitable basis relative to its other Advisory Clients. It is understood that the Adviser shall not have any obligation to recommend for purchase or sale any loans which its principals, affiliates or employees may purchase or sell for its or their own accounts or for any other client or account if, in the opinion of the Adviser, such transaction or investment appears unsuitable, impractical or undesirable for the Fund. Nothing herein shall be construed as constituting the Adviser an agent of the Fund; and

(b) the Adviser and its affiliates may face conflicts of interest as described in the Fund's currently effective registration statement and/or the Fund's periodic filings with the SEC (as such disclosures may be updated from time to time) and such disclosures have been provided, and any updates will be provided, to the Board of Trustees in connection with its consideration of this Agreement and any future renewal of this Agreement.

#### 8. Limit of Liability.

(a) The Adviser and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it (the "**Indemnified Parties**") shall not be liable for any error of judgment or mistake of law or for any act or omission or any loss suffered by the Fund in connection with the matters to which this Agreement relates, provided that the Adviser shall not be protected against any liability to the Fund or its shareholders to which the Adviser would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, misconduct, negligence, or gross negligence on its part in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, or by reason of the Adviser's violation of the fiduciary duty owed by the Adviser to the Fund and its shareholders ("**disabling conduct**"). An Indemnified Party may consult with counsel and accountants in respect of the Fund's affairs and shall be fully protected and justified in any action or inaction which is taken in accordance with the advice or opinion of such counsel and accountants; provided, that such counsel or accountants were selected with reasonable care. Absent disabling conduct, the Fund will indemnified Parties against, and hold them harmless from, any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of the Adviser's services under this Agreement or otherwise for any loss due to the mistake, action, inaction, negligence, dishonesty, fraud or bad faith of any broker or other agent; provided, that such broker or other agent shall have been selected, engaged or retained and monitored by the Adviser in good faith, unless such action or inaction was made by reason of disabling conduct, or in the case of a criminal action or proceeding, where the Adviser in good faith, unless such action or inaction was unlawful.

Indemnification shall be made only following: (i) a final decision on the merits by a court or other body before which the proceeding was brought that the Indemnified Party was not liable by reason of disabling conduct or (ii) in the absence of such a decision, a reasonable determination, based upon a review of the facts, that the Indemnified Party was not liable by reason of disabling conduct by (a) the vote of a majority of a quorum of trustees of the Fund who are neither "interested persons" of the Fund nor parties to the proceeding ("disinterested non-party trustees") or (b) an independent legal counsel in a written opinion.

An Indemnified Party shall be entitled to advances from the Fund for payment of the reasonable expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) incurred by it in connection with the matter as to which it is seeking indemnification in the manner and to the fullest extent permissible under law. Prior to any such advance, the Indemnified Party shall provide to the Fund a written affirmation of its good faith belief that the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the Fund has been met and a written undertaking to repay any such advance if it should ultimately be determined that the standard of conduct has not been met. In addition, at least one of the following additional conditions shall be met: (a) the Indemnified Party shall provide a security in form and amount acceptable to the Fund for its undertaking; (b) the Fund is insured against losses arising by reason of the advance; or (c) a majority of a quorum of disinterested non-party trustees or independent legal counsel, in a written opinion, shall have determined, based on a review of facts readily available to the Fund at the time the advance is proposed to be made, that there is reason to believe that the Indemnified Party will ultimately be found to be entitled to indemnification.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 8(a) to the contrary, the Fund shall not provide for indemnification of an Indemnified Party for any liability or loss suffered by an Indemnified Party, nor shall the Fund provide that any of the Indemnified Parties be held harmless for any loss or liability suffered by the Fund, unless all of the following conditions are met:

(i) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that the course of conduct that caused the loss or liability was in the best interests of the Fund;

(ii) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that the Indemnified Party was acting on behalf of or performing services for the Fund;

(iii) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that such liability or loss was not the result of (A) negligence or misconduct, in the case that the Indemnified Party is the Adviser or an Affiliate (as defined in the Fund's Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust, as may be amended and/or restated from time to time, the "**Declaration of Trust**") of the Adviser, or (B) gross negligence or willful misconduct, in the case that the Indemnified Party is a trustee of the Fund who is not also an officer of the Fund or the Adviser or an Affiliate of the Adviser; and

(iv) such indemnification or agreement to hold harmless is recoverable only out of the Fund's net assets and not from the Fund shareholders.

Furthermore, the Indemnified Party shall not be indemnified for any losses, liabilities or expenses arising from or out of an alleged violation of federal or state securities laws by such party unless one or more of the following conditions are met:

(i) there has been a successful adjudication on the merits of each count involving alleged material securities law violations as to the Indemnified Party;

(ii) such claims have been dismissed with prejudice on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction as to the Indemnified Party; or

(iii) a court of competent jurisdiction approves a settlement of the claims against the Indemnified Party and finds that indemnification of the settlement and the related costs should be made, and the court considering the request for indemnification has been advised of the position of the SEC and of the published position of any state securities regulatory authority in which Shares were offered or sold as to indemnification for violations of securities laws.

(c) The Fund may pay or reimburse reasonable legal expenses and other costs incurred by the Indemnified Party in advance of final disposition of a proceeding only if all of the following are satisfied:

(i) the proceeding relates to acts or omissions with respect to the performance of duties or services on behalf of the Fund;

(ii) the Indemnified Party provides the Fund with written affirmation of such Indemnified Party's good faith belief that the Indemnified Party has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the Fund;

(iii) the legal proceeding was initiated by a third party who is not a Fund shareholder, or, if by a Fund shareholder acting in his or her capacity as such, a court of competent jurisdiction approves such advancement; and

(iv) the Indemnified Party provides the Fund with a written agreement to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the Fund, together with the applicable legal rate of interest thereon, if it is ultimately determined that the Indemnified Party did not comply with the requisite standard of conduct and is not entitled to indemnification.

#### 9. Duration and Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above. This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, on 60 days' written notice by the Fund, by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund or by the vote of the Fund's trustees or on at least 120 days' written notice by the Adviser. The provisions of Section 8 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Adviser shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement. Further, notwithstanding the termination or expiration of this Agreement as aforesaid, the Adviser shall be entitled to any amounts owed under Sections 2 or 5 through the date of termination or expiration, and Section 8 shall continue in force and effect and apply to the Adviser and its representatives as and to the extent applicable.

(b) This Agreement shall continue in effect for two years from the date of this Agreement and thereafter shall continue automatically for successive annual periods, provided that such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (i) the vote of the Board of Trustees, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund and (ii) the vote of a majority of the Fund's Board of Trustees who are not parties to this Agreement or "interested persons" (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act) of any such party, in accordance with the requirements of the 1940 Act.

(c) This Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its "assignment" (as such term is defined for purposes of Section 15(a)(4) of the 1940 Act).

(d) After the termination of this Agreement, the Adviser shall not be entitled to compensation for further services provided hereunder, except that it shall be entitled to receive from the Fund within 30 days after the effective date of such termination all unpaid reimbursements and all earned but unpaid fees payable to the Adviser prior to termination of this Agreement, including any deferred fees. The Adviser shall promptly upon termination:

(i) Deliver to the Board a full accounting, including a statement showing all payments collected by it and a statement of all money held by it, covering the period following the date of the last accounting furnished to the Board;

(ii) Deliver to the Board all assets and documents of the Fund then in custody of the Adviser; and

(iii) Cooperate with the Fund to provide an orderly management transition.

(e) Without the approval of holders of a majority of the Shares entitled to vote on the matter, or such other approval as may be required under the mandatory provisions of any applicable laws or regulations, or other provisions of the Declaration of Trust, the Adviser shall not: (i) modify this Agreement except for amendments that do not adversely affect the rights of the shareholders; (ii) appoint a new Adviser (other than a sub-adviser pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and applicable law); (iii) sell all or substantially all of the Fund's assets other than in the ordinary course of the Fund's business; (iv) except as otherwise permitted herein, voluntarily withdraw as the Adviser unless such withdrawal would not affect the tax status of the Fund and would not materially adversely affect the shareholders; or (v) cause the merger of the Fund. In the event that the Adviser voluntarily withdraws pursuant to clause (iv) above, and the Fund elects to continue its operations following such withdrawal, the withdrawing Adviser shall pay all expenses incurred as a result of its withdrawal.

(f) The Fund may terminate the Adviser's interest in the Fund's revenues, expenses, income, losses, distributions and capital by payment of an amount equal to the then present fair market value of the terminated Adviser's interest, determined by agreement of the terminated Adviser and the Fund. If the Fund and the Adviser cannot agree upon such amount, the parties will submit to binding arbitration which cost will be borne equally by the Adviser and the Fund. The method of payment to the terminated Adviser must be fair and must protect the solvency and liquidity of the Fund. When the termination is voluntary, the method of payment will be presumed to be fair if it provides for a non-interest bearing unsecured promissory note with principal payable, if at all, from distribution which the terminated Adviser otherwise would have received under the program agreement had the Adviser not been terminated. When the termination is involuntary, the method of payment will be presumed to be fair if it provides for an interest bearing promissory note maturing in not less than five years with equal installments each year.

#### 10. License.

(a) License Grant. The Adviser, on behalf of the Licensed Name Owner (as defined below), hereby grants to the Fund, and the Fund hereby accepts from the Adviser, a fully paid-up, royalty-free, non-exclusive, non-transferable worldwide license to use "HPS" (the "Licensed Name") during the term of this Agreement, solely (i) in connection with the conduct of the Fund's business and (ii) as part of the trademark, corporate name or trade name "HPS Corporate Lending Fund." The Fund shall have no right to use the Licensed Name standing alone or to use any modification, stylization or derivative of the Licensed Name without prior written consent of the Adviser in its sole discretion. All rights not expressly granted to the Fund pursuant to this Section 10 shall remain the exclusive property of the Licensed Name Owner. Nothing in this Section 10 shall preclude the Adviser, its affiliates, or any of its respective successors or assigns from using or permitting other entities to use the Licensed Name whether or not such entity directly or indirectly competes or conflicts with the Fund's business in any manner.

(b) <u>Ownership</u>. The Fund acknowledges and agrees that, as between the parties, an affiliate of the Adviser (the "Licensed Name Owner") is the sole owner of all right, title, and interest in and to the Licensed Name. The Fund agrees not to do anything inconsistent with such ownership, including directly or indirectly challenging, contesting or otherwise disputing the validity or enforceability of, or the Licensed Name Owner's ownership of or right, title or interest in the Licensed Name (and the associated goodwill), including without limitation, arising out of or relating to any third-party claim, allegation, action, demand, proceeding or suit regarding enforcement of this Section 10 of the Agreement or involving any third party. The parties intend that any and all goodwill in the Licensed Name arising from the Fund's or any applicable sublicensee's use of the Licensed Name shall inure solely to benefit the Adviser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Fund is deemed to own any rights to the Licensed Name, the Fund hereby irrevocably assigns (or shall cause such sublicensee to assign), without further consideration, such rights to the Licensed Name Owner together with all goodwill associated therewith. The Licensed Name Owner shall be a third party beneficiary of this Section 10.

(c) <u>Sublicensing</u>. The Fund shall not sublicense its rights under this Agreement except to a current or future majority-owned subsidiary of the Fund, and then only with the prior written consent of the Adviser or the Licensed Name Owner, provided that (a) no such subsidiary shall use the Licensed Name as part of a name other than the Fund name without the prior written consent of the Adviser or the Licensed Name Owner in its sole discretion and (b) any such sublicense shall terminate automatically, with no need for written notice, if (x) such entity ceases to be a majority-owned subsidiary, (y) this Agreement terminates for any reason or (z) the Adviser or the Licensed Name Owner gives notice of such termination. The Fund shall be responsible for any such sublicensee's compliance with the provisions of this Agreement, and any breach by a sublicensee of any such provision shall constitute a breach of this Agreement by the Fund. Neither the Fund nor any of its current or future subsidiaries shall use a new trademark, corporate name, trade name or logo that contains the Licensed Name without the prior written consent of the Adviser or the Licensed Name Owner in its sole discretion, and any resulting license shall be governed by a new agreement between the applicable parties and/or an amendment to this Agreement.

(d) <u>Compliance</u>. In order to preserve the inherent value of the Licensed Name, the Fund agrees to use reasonable efforts to ensure that it maintains the quality of the Fund's business and the operation thereof equal to the standards prevailing in the operation of the Adviser's and the Fund's business as of the date of this Agreement. The Fund further agrees to use the Licensed Name in accordance with such quality standards as may be reasonably established by the Adviser and communicated to the Fund from time to time in writing, or as may be agreed to by the Adviser and the Fund from time to time in writing. The Fund shall notify the Adviser promptly after it becomes aware of any actual or threatened infringement, imitation, dilution, misappropriation or other unauthorized use or conduct in derogation of the Licensed Name. The Adviser and its affiliates shall have the sole right to bring any action to remedy the foregoing, and the Fund shall cooperate with the Adviser in same, at the Adviser's expense.

(e) <u>Won Termination</u>. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, all rights and license granted to the Fund under this Section 10 with respect to the Licensed Name shall cease, and the Fund shall immediately discontinue use of the Licensed Name.

11. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed as being inconsistent with the 1940 Act

#### 12. Conflicts of Interest and Prohibited Activities.

(a) The Adviser is not hereby granted or entitled to an exclusive right to sell or exclusive employment to sell assets for the Fund.

(b) The Adviser shall not: (i) receive or accept any rebate, give-up or similar arrangement that is prohibited under applicable federal or state securities laws; (ii) participate in any reciprocal business arrangement that would circumvent provisions of applicable federal or state securities laws governing conflicts of interest or investment restrictions; (iii) enter into any agreement, arrangement or understanding that would circumvent the restrictions against dealing with affiliates or promoters under applicable federal or state securities laws; or (iv) enter into any agreement, or understanding that would circumvent the North American Securities Administrators Association's Omnibus Guidelines Statement of Policy.

(c) The Adviser shall not directly or indirectly pay or award any fees or commissions or other compensation to any person engaged to sell Shares or give investment advice to a potential shareholder; provided, however, that this subsection shall not prohibit the payment to a registered broker-dealer or other properly licensed agent of properly disclosed sales commissions or other compensation (including cash compensation and non-cash compensation (as such terms are defined under FINRA Rule 2310)) for selling or distributing Shares, including out of the Adviser's own assets, including those amounts paid to the Adviser under this Agreement.

(d) The Adviser covenants that it shall not permit or cause to be permitted the Fund's funds to be commingled with the funds of any other person and the funds will be protected from the claims of affiliated companies.

#### 13. Access to Shareholder List.

If a shareholder requests a copy of the Shareholder List pursuant to Section 11.3 of the Fund's Declaration of Trust or any successor provision thereto (the "**Shareholder List Provision**"), the Adviser is hereby authorized to request a copy of the Shareholder List from the Fund's transfer agent and send a copy of the Shareholder List to any shareholder so requesting in accordance with the Shareholder List Provision. The Adviser and the Board of Trustees shall be liable to any shareholder requesting the list for the costs, including attorneys' fees, incurred by that shareholder for compelling the production of the Shareholder List, and for actual damages suffered by any shareholder by reason of such refusal or neglect. It shall be a defense that the actual purpose and reason for the requests for inspection or for a copy of the Shareholder List of shareholder or other information for the purpose of selling such list or copies thereof, or of using the same for a commercial purpose other than in the interest of the applicant as a shareholder relative to the affairs of the Fund.

14. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered in person or by telex or facsimile (followed by delivery in person) to the parties at the addresses set forth below.

If to the Fund:

HPS Corporate Lending Fund 40 West 57th Street, 33rd Floor New York, New York 10019 Attn: Chairman, CEO, Trustee

If to the Adviser:

HPS Advisors, LLC 40 West 57th Street, 33rd Floor New York, New York 10019 Attn: Yoohyun K. Choi, General Counsel

or to such other address as to which the recipient shall have informed the other party in writing.

Unless specifically provided elsewhere, notice given as provided above shall be deemed to have been given, if by personal delivery, on the day of such delivery, and, if by facsimile and mail, on the date on which such facsimile or mail is sent.

15. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto caused their duly authorized signatories to execute this Agreement as of the day and year first written above.

### HPS CORPORATE LENDING FUND

By: /s/ Robert Busch

Name: Robert Busch Title: Chief Financial Officer

# HPS ADVISORS, LLC

 By:
 /s/ Faith Rosenfeld

 Name:
 Faith Rosenfeld

 Title:
 Chief Administrative Officer

[Signature Page to the Investment Advisory Agreement]

July 1, 2025

HPS Securities, LLC 40 West 57th Street 33rd Floor New York, NY 10019

This Managing Dealer Agreement (this "Agreement") is entered into by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, a Delaware statutory trust (the "Company"), and HPS Securities, LLC (the "Managing Dealer").

The Company has filed one or more registration statements with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (each, a "Registration Statement"), In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, "the Registration Statement" means, at any given time, the most current effective form of the registration statement related to the common shares of the Company, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Shares"), as may be amended from time to time.

Each Registration Statement shall register an ongoing offering (each, an "Offering") of the Company's Common Shares, which may consist of such classes of Common Shares as may be set forth in the Registration Statement from time to time (the "Shares"). In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, "the Offering" means each Offering covered by a Registration Statement and "Shares" means the Shares being offered in the Offering.

The Offering is and shall be comprised of a maximum amount set forth in the Prospectus (as defined in Section 1.a. below) that will be issued and sold to the public at the public offering prices per Share determined as set forth in the Prospectus, as may be amended from time to time, pursuant to a primary offering (the "Primary Shares"). The Company will also issue shares pursuant to its distribution reinvestment plan (the "DRIP Shares"). In connection with the Offering, the minimum purchase by any one person shall be as set forth in the Prospectus (except as otherwise indicated in any letter or memorandum from the Company to the Managing Dealer).

In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, any references to the Registration Statement, the Offering, the Shares or the Prospectus with respect to each other shall mean only those that are all related to the same Registration Statement.

The Company is currently offering to the public four classes of Shares and may offer additional classes of shares at it may determine appropriate from time to time. The differences between the classes of Shares and the eligibility requirements for each class are described in detail in the Prospectus. The Shares are to be offered and sold to the public as described under the caption "Plan of Distribution" in the Prospectus. Except as otherwise agreed by the Company and the Managing Dealer, Shares sold through the Managing Dealer are to be sold through the Managing Dealer, as the Managing Dealer, and the brokers (each a "Broker" and collectively, the "Brokers") with whom the Managing Dealer has entered into or will enter into a selected intermediary agreement related to the distribution of Shares substantially in the form attached to this Agreement as Exhibit "A" or such other form as the officers of the Company may deem appropriate (each a "Selected Intermediary Agreement") at a purchase price equal to the Company's then-current net asset value ("NAV") per share applicable to the class of Shares that each shareholder owns will be automatically invested in additional shares of the same class. The DRIP Shares are to be issued and sold to shareholders of the Company at a purchase price equal to the most recent available NAV per share for such shares at the time the distribution is payable.

Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as in the Prospectus. Now, therefore, the Company hereby agrees with the Managing Dealer as follows:

1. Representations and Warranties of the Company: The Company represents and warrants to the Managing Dealer and each Broker participating in an Offering, with respect to such Offering, as applicable, that:

a. A Registration Statement with respect to the Shares has been prepared by the Company in accordance with applicable requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and the applicable rules and regulations (the "Rules and Regulations") of the SEC promulgated thereunder, covering the Shares. Copies of such Registration Statement and each amendment thereto have been or will be delivered to the Managing Dealer. The prospectus contained therein, as finally amended and revised at the effective date of the Registration Statement (including at the effective date of any post-effective amendment thereto), is hereinafter referred to as the "Prospectus," except that if the prospectus or prospectus supplement filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act shall differ from the Prospectus on file at the Effective Date, the term "Prospectus" shall also include such prospectus or prospectus supplement filed pursuant to Rule 424. "Effective Date" means the applicable date upon which the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto is or was first declared effective by the SEC. "Filing Date" means the applicable date upon which the initial Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto is filed with the SEC.

b. The Company has been duly and validly organized and formed as a statutory trust under the laws of the state of Delaware, with the power and authority to conduct its business as described in the Prospectus.

c. As of the Effective Date or Filing Date, as applicable, the Registration Statement and Prospectus complied or will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Rules and Regulations. The Registration Statement, as of the applicable Effective Date, does not and will not contain any untrue statements of material facts or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and the Prospectus as of the applicable Filing Date, does not and will not contain any untrue statements of material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, provided, however, that the foregoing provisions of this Section 1.c. will not extend to such statements contained in or omitted from the Registration Statement or Prospectus as are primarily within the knowledge of the Managing Dealer or any of the Brokers and are based upon information furnished by the Managing Dealer in writing to the Company specifically for inclusion therein.

d. The Company intends to use the funds received from the sale of the Shares as set forth in the Prospectus.

e. No consent, approval, authorization or other order of any governmental authority is required in connection with the execution or delivery by the Company of this Agreement or the issuance and sale by the Company of the Shares, except such as may be required under the Securities Act and the Rules and Regulations, by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") or applicable state securities laws.

f. Unless otherwise described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, there are no actions, suits or proceedings pending or to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company at law or in equity or before or by any federal or state commission, regulatory body or administrative agency or other governmental body, domestic or foreign, which will have a material adverse effect on the business or property of the Company.

g. The execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated and compliance with the terms of this Agreement by the Company will not conflict with or constitute a default under any charter, by-law, indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, lease, rule, regulation, writ, injunction or decree of any government, governmental instrumentality or court, domestic or foreign, having jurisdiction over the Company, except to the extent that the enforceability of the indemnity and/or contribution provisions contained in Section 4 of this Agreement may be limited under applicable securities laws.

h. The Company has full legal right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform the transactions contemplated hereby, except to the extent that the enforceability of the indemnity and/or contribution provisions contained in Section 4 of this Agreement may be limited under applicable securities laws.

i. At the time of the issuance of the Shares, the Shares will have been duly authorized and, when issued and sold as contemplated by the Prospectus and the Company's charter, as amended and supplemented, and upon payment therefor as provided by the Prospectus and this Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and will conform to the description thereof contained in the Prospectus.

j. The Company has filed all material federal, state and foreign income tax returns, which have been required to be filed, on or before the due date (taking into account all extensions of time to file) and has paid or provided for the payment of all taxes indicated by said returns and all assessments received by the Company to the extent that such taxes or assessments have become due, except where the Company is contesting such assessments in good faith.

k. The financial statements of the Company included in the Prospectus present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the Company as of the date indicated and the results of its operations for the periods specified; said financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

I. The Company is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company ("BDC") under the 1940 Act, and has not withdrawn such election, and the SEC has not ordered that such election be withdrawn nor to the Company's knowledge have proceedings to effectuate such withdrawal been initiated or threatened by the SEC.

m. Any and all printed sales literature or other materials which have been approved in advance in writing by the Company and appropriate regulatory agencies for use in the Offering ("Authorized Sales Materials") prepared by the Company and any of its affiliates specifically for use with potential investors in connection with the Offering, when used in conjunction with the Prospectus, did not at the time provided for use, and, as to later provided materials, will not at the time provided for use, include any untrue statement of a material fact nor did they at the time provided for use, or, as to later provided materials, will they, omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made and when read in conjunction with the Prospectus, not misleading.

n. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, no person is serving or acting as investment adviser of the Company, except in accordance with the applicable provisions of the 1940 Act and the Advisers Act and the applicable published rules and regulations thereunder.

o. The issuance and sale of the Shares have been duly authorized by the Company, and, when issued and duly delivered against payment therefor as contemplated by this Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

2. Covenants of the Company. The Company covenants and agrees with the Managing Dealer that:

a. It will, at no expense to the Managing Dealer, furnish the Managing Dealer with such number of printed copies of the Registration Statement, including all amendments and exhibits thereto, as the Managing Dealer may reasonably request. It will similarly furnish to the Managing Dealer and others designated by the Managing Dealer as many copies of the following documents as the Managing Dealer may reasonably request: (a) the Prospectus in preliminary and final form and every form of supplemental or amended prospectus; (b) this Agreement; and (c) any other Authorized Sales Materials (provided that the use of said Authorized Sales Materials has been first approved for use by all appropriate regulatory agencies).

b. It will furnish such proper information and execute and file such documents as may be necessary for the Company to qualify the Shares for offer and sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as the Managing Dealer may reasonably designate and will file and make in each year such statements and reports as may be required. The Company will furnish to the Managing Dealer upon request a copy of such papers filed by the Company in connection with any such qualification.

c. It will: (a) use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registration Statement to become effective; (b) furnish copies of any proposed amendment or supplement of the Registration Statement or Prospectus to the Managing Dealer; (c) file every amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus that may be required by the SEC; and (d) if at any time the SEC shall issue any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, it will promptly notify the Managing Dealer and, to the extent the Company determines such action is in the best interests of the Company, use its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the lifting of such order.

d. If at any time when a Prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act any event occurs as a result of which, in the opinion of either the Company or the Managing Dealer, the Prospectus would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in view of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, the Company will promptly notify the Managing Dealer thereof (unless the information shall have been received from the Managing Dealer) and will effect the preparation of an amended or supplemental Prospectus which will correct such statement or omission. The Company will then promptly prepare such amended or supplemental Prospectuses as may be necessary to comply with the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act.

# e. It will disclose a per share estimated value of the Shares and related information in accordance with the requirements of FINRA Rule 2310(b)(5).

#### 3. Obligations and Compensation of Managing Dealer

a. The Company hereby appoints the Managing Dealer as its agent and principal Managing Dealer for the purpose of selling for cash to the public up to the maximum amount set forth in the Prospectus through Brokers, all of whom shall be members of FINRA. The Managing Dealer hereby accepts such agency and Managing Dealership and agrees to use its best efforts to sell the Shares on said terms and conditions set forth in the Prospectus with respect to each Offering and any additional terms or conditions specified in this Agreement, as it may be amended from time to time. The Managing Dealer represents to the Company that it is a member in good standing of FINRA and that it and its employees and representatives have all required licenses and registrations to act under this Agreement. With respect to the Managing Dealer's participation in the distribution of the Shares in the Offering, the Managing Dealer agrees to comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Rules and Regulations, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and all other state or federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to the Offering and the sale of Shares, all applicable state securities or blue sky laws and regulations, and the rules of FINRA applicable to the Offering, from time to time in effect, including, without limitation, FINRA Rule 2310, 2111, 2310, 5110 and 5141. The Managing Dealer agrees to prepare, with the Company's cooperation, the required filings under FINRA Rule 2310, and file the same with FINRA (the "<u>2310 Filing</u>").

b. The Managing Dealer and the Brokers shall continue the offering of the Shares in the Offering for cash to the public in jurisdictions in which the Shares are registered or qualified for sale or in which such offering is otherwise permitted. The Managing Dealer and the Brokers will immediately suspend or terminate offering of the Shares upon request of the Company at any time and will resume offering the Shares upon subsequent request of the Company.

c. As provided in the "Plan of Distribution" section of the Prospectus, which may be amended and restated from time to time, the Company will pay to the Managing Dealer a Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee as set forth in the Prospectus with respect to certain classes of Shares ("Distribution Shares"); *provided that* the Company may retain all or any portion of such amounts to satisfy payment obligations in respect of shareholder servicing or distributions arrangements with other parties, including with Brokers or Servicing Brokers, pursuant to Section 3(d) below in which the Company may direct such payments to such parties on an agency basis. The Company will pay the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee to the Managing Dealer monthly in arrears.

d. The Managing Dealer may reallow all or a portion of the front end sales charge and/or Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee to any Brokers who sold Distribution Shares to the extent the Selected Intermediary Agreement with such Broker provides for such a reallowance and such Broker is in compliance with the terms of such Selected Intermediary Agreement related to such reallowance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the terms of the Prospectus, at such time as the

Broker who sold the Shares is no longer the intermediary of record with respect to such Shares or the Broker no longer satisfies any or all of the conditions in its Selected Intermediary Agreement for the receipt of the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees with respect to such Shares, then Broker's entitlement to the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees related to such Shares, as applicable, shall cease in, and Broker shall not receive the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees for, that month or any portion thereof (i.e., Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees are payable with respect to an entire month without any proration). Intermediary transfers will be made effective as of the start of the first business day of a month.

Thereafter, such Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee may be reallowed to the then-current intermediary of record of such Shares, as applicable, if any such intermediary of record has been designated (the "Servicing Broker"), to the extent such Servicing Broker has entered into a Selected Intermediary Agreement or similar agreement with the Managing Dealer ("Servicing Agreement"), such Selected Intermediary Agreement or Servicing Broker provides for such reallowance and the Servicing Broker is in compliance with the terms of such agreement related to such reallowance. In this regard, all determinations will be made by the Managing Dealer in good faith in its sole discretion. The Managing Dealer may also reallow some or all of the Shareholder Servicing Brokers) pursuant to a Servicing Agreement with the Managing Dealer to the extent such Servicing Agreement provides for such reallowance and such additional Servicing Broker is in compliance with the terms of such related to such reallowance with the terms of such Servicing Broker intermediaries who provide services with respect to the Shares (who shall be considered additional Servicing Brokers) pursuant to a Servicing Agreement with the terms of such agreement related to such reallowance and such additional Servicing Broker is in compliance with the terms of such agreement related to such reallowance, in accordance with the terms of such Servicing Agreement.

e. Unless otherwise disclosed in the Prospectus, at the end of the month in which the Managing Dealer in conjunction with the transfer agent determines that total transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, and Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees paid with respect to any single share held in a shareholder's account would exceed, in the aggregate, 10% of the gross proceeds from the sale of such share (or a lower limit as determined by the Managing Dealer or the applicable Broker), the Managing Dealer shall cease receiving the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee on either (i) each such share that would exceed such limit or (ii) all Shares in such shareholder's account, in the Managing Dealer's discretion. At the end of such month, the applicable Distribution Shares in such shareholder's account will convert into a number of Class I shares (including any fractional shares), with an equivalent aggregate NAV. In addition, the Managing Dealer will cease receiving the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee on Class S shares, Class D shares and Class F shares in connection with an Offering (i.e., pursuant to the Registration Statement for such Offering) upon the earlier to occur of the following: (i) a listing of Class I shares, (ii) the merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another entity, or the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or (iii) the date following the completion of the primary portion of such Offering on which, in the aggregate, underwriting compensation from all sources in connection with such Offering, including selling commissions, the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee and other underwriting compensation, is equal to ten percent (10%) of the gross proceeds from Primary Shares sold in such Offering, as determined in good faith by the Managing Dealer in its sole discretion. For purposes of this Agreement, the portion of the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee accruing with respect to Distribution Shares of the Company's Common Shares issued (publicly or privately) by the Company during the term of a particular Offering, and not issued pursuant to a prior Offering, shall be underwriting compensation with respect to such particular Offering and not with respect to any other Offering.

f. The terms of any reallowance of the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee shall be set forth in the Selected Intermediary Agreement or Servicing Agreement entered into with the Brokers or Servicing Brokers, as applicable. The Company will not be liable or responsible to any Broker or Servicing Broker for any reallowance of Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee to such Broker or Servicing Broker, it being the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Managing Dealer for payment of Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fee to Brokers and Servicing Brokers. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at the discretion of the Company, the Company may act as agent of the Managing Dealer by making direct payment of Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees to Brokers on behalf of the Managing Dealer without incurring any liability. Further, the Company is not responsible for any transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, charged by Brokers.

g. In addition to the other items of underwriting compensation set forth in this Section 3, the Company and/or the Adviser shall reimburse the Managing Dealer for all items of underwriting compensation referenced in the Prospectus, to the extent the Prospectus indicates that they will be paid by the Company or the Advisor, as applicable, and to the extent permitted pursuant to prevailing rules and regulations of FINRA. The Company shall reimburse the Managing Dealer for filing fees paid in connection with the 2310 Filing.

h. In addition to reimbursement as provided under Section 3.f, and subject to prevailing rules and regulations of FINRA, the Company shall also pay directly or reimburse the Managing Dealer for reasonable *bona fide* due diligence expenses incurred by any Broker as described in the Prospectus. The Managing Dealer shall obtain from any Broker and provide to the Company a detailed and itemized invoice for any such due diligence expenses. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, no payments or reimbursements made by the Company with respect to a particular Offering hereunder shall cause total organization and offering expenses, defined under Omnibus Guidelines (as defined in Section 4.a. below) and FINRA rules, to exceed 10% and 15%, respectively, of gross proceeds from such Offering.

i. The Managing Dealer represents that it will comply fully with all applicable currency reporting, anti-money laundering, anti-corruption and anti-terrorist laws and regulations, and any other applicable laws, rules, regulations and interpretations of any other applicable regulatory or selfregulatory body.

j. (i) The Managing Dealer has in place internal controls, policies, and procedures ("AML Program") that are reasonably designed to detect, identify, and report illegal activity, including money laundering and further represents that it has implemented, complies with and will comply with anti-money laundering policies and procedures that satisfy and will continue to satisfy the requirements of applicable anti-money laundering and "know your customer" laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the U.S. International Money Laundering Abatement and Anti-Terrorist Financing Act of 2001, the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended by the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, the U.S. International Emergency Economic Powers Act, and the U.S. Trading with the Enemy Act, as each may be amended from time to time, and regulations thereunder. (ii) The Managing Dealer's AML Program, at a minimum; (1) designates a compliance office to administer and oversee the AML Program; (2) provides ongoing employee training; (3) includes an independent audit function to test the effectiveness of the Program; (4) establishes internal policies, procedures, and controls that are tailored to its particular business; (5) includes appropriate risk-based procedures for conducting ongoing

customer due diligence, to include, but not limited to, understanding the nature and purpose of customer relationships for the purpose of developing a customer risk profile, and conducting ongoing monitoring to detect and report suspicious transactions and updating customer profiles, including beneficial ownership information, where required; (6) includes a Customer Identification Program ("CIP") consistent with the rules under Section 326 of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (the "USA Patriot Act"); (7) provides for the filing of all necessary anti-money laundering reports including, but not limited to, suspicious activity reports; and (8) provides for screening Clients against the Office of Foreign Asset Control ("OFAC") list and any other government list that is or becomes required under the USA Patriot Act. The Managing Dealer acknowledges and agrees that it is responsible for monitoring and complying with anti-money laundering and CIP requirements applicable to all shareholders. (iii) The Managing Dealer represents and warrants that it has policies, procedures and internal controls in place that are reasonably designed to comply with the UK Bribery Act, the U.S. Foreign COED Convention Combating Bribery of Foreign Officials, or any similar statute, rule or policy applicable in any jurisdiction in which Broker engages in any activity hereunder (collectively, the "Anti-Corruption Laws"). The Managing Dealer represents and warrants that it has, and will maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement, policies, procedures, and internal controls in place that are reasonably designed to comply with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws"). The Managing Dealer represents and warrants that it has, and will maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement, policies, procedures, and internal controls in place that are reasonably designed to comply with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws, including the provisions of the FCPA.

k. The Managing Dealer represents and warrants to the Company and each person and firm that signs the Registration Statement that the information under the caption "Plan of Distribution" in the Prospectus and all other information furnished to the Company by the Managing Dealer in writing expressly for use in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading.

I. The Managing Dealer and all Brokers will offer and sell the Shares at the public offering prices per share as determined in accordance with the Prospectus.

m. The Managing Dealer agrees to update the Chief Compliance Officers of the Adviser and the Company via written communication on a quarterly basis regarding any compliance issues that have occurred since the prior quarter.

n. The Managing Dealer agrees, and will ensure through the Selected Intermediary Agreement, the Brokers agree, upon receipt of any and all checks, drafts, and money orders or other instruments of payment received from prospective purchasers of shares, to transmit same together with a copy of the executed Subscription Agreement or copy of the signature page of such agreement, stating among other things, the name of the purchaser, current address, and the amount of the investment to the Transfer Agent by (a) the end of the next business day following receipt where internal supervisory review is conducted at the same location at which subscription documents and checks are received, or (b) the end of the second business day following receipt where internal supervisory review is conducted at a different location than that which subscription documents and checks are received.

#### 4. Indemnification.

a. To the extent permitted by the Company's charter, Section 17(h) and Section 17(i) of the 1940 Act, the provisions of Article II.G of the North American Securities Administrators Association, Inc. Omnibus Guidelines Statement of Policy adopted on March 29, 1992 and as amended on May 7, 2007 and from time to time (the "Omnibus Guidelines"), and subject to the limitations below, the Company will indemnify and hold harmless the Brokers and the Managing Dealer, their officers and directors and each person, if any, who controls such Broker or Managing Dealer within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act (the "Indemnified Persons") from and against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities ("Losses"), joint or several, to which such Indemnified Persons may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such Losses (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (a) any untrue statement of a material fact contained (i) in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or (ii) in any blue sky application or other document executed by the Company or on its behalf specifically for the purpose of qualifying any or all of the Shares for sale under the securities laws of any jurisdiction or based upon written information furnished by the Company under the securities laws thereof (any such application, document or information being hereinafter called a "Blue Sky Application") or (iii) in any Authorized Sales Materials, or (b) the omission to state in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any post-effective amendment to either or in any Blue Sky Application or Authorized Sales Materials a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Company will reimburse the Managing Dealer and each Indemnified Person of the Managing Dealer for any reasonable legal or other expenses reasonably incu

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 4.a., the Company may not indemnify or hold harmless the Managing Dealer, any Broker or any of their affiliates in any manner that would be inconsistent with the provisions to Article II.G of the Omnibus Guidelines. In particular, but without limitation, the Company may not indemnify or hold harmless the Managing Dealer, any Broker or any of their affiliates for liabilities arising from or out of a violation of state or federal securities laws, unless one or more of the following conditions are met:

(i) There has been a successful adjudication on the merits of each count involving alleged securities law violations;

(ii) Such claims have been dismissed with prejudice on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction; or

(iii) A court of competent jurisdiction approves a settlement of the claims against the indemnitee and finds that indemnification of the settlement and the related costs should be made, and the court considering the request for indemnification has been advised of the position of the SEC and of the published position of any state securities regulatory authority in which the securities were offered as to indemnification for violations of securities laws.

Further notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 4.a., the Company will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such Loss or expense arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished (x) to the Company by the Managing Dealer or (y) to the Company or the Managing Dealer by or on behalf of any Broker specifically for use in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any post-effective amendment or supplement, any Blue Sky Application or any Authorized Sales Materials, and, further, the Company will not be liable for the portion of any Loss in any such case if it is determined that such Broker or the Managing Dealer was at fault in connection with such portion of the Loss, expense or action.

The foregoing indemnity agreement of this Section 4.a. is subject to the further condition that, insofar as it relates to any untrue statement or omission made in the Prospectus (or amendment or supplement thereto) that was eliminated or remedied in any subsequent amendment or supplement thereto, such indemnity agreement shall not inure to the benefit of an Indemnified Party from whom the person asserting any Losses purchased the Shares that are the subject thereof, if a copy of the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented was not sent or given to such person at or prior to the time the subscription of such person was accepted by the Company, but only if a copy of the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented had been supplied to the Managing Dealer or the Broker prior to such acceptance.

b. The Managing Dealer will indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its officers and trustees (including any person named in the Registration Statement, with his consent, as about to become a trustee), each other person who has signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act (the "Company Indemnified Persons"), from and against any Losses to which any of the Company Indemnified Persons may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such Losses (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (a) any untrue statement of a material fact contained (i) in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or (ii) in any Blue Sky Application or (iii) in any Authorized Sales Materials; or (b) the omission to state in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or in any Blue Sky Application or Authorized Sales Materials a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, provided that clauses (a) and (b) apply, to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of the Managing Dealer specifically for use with reference to the Managing Dealer in the preparation of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or in preparation of any Blue Sky Application or Authorized Sales Materials; or (c) any use of sales literature not authorized or approved by the Company or any use of "broker-dealer use only" materials with members of the public by the Managing Dealer in the offer and sale of the Shares or any use of sales literature in a particular jurisdiction if such material bears a legend denoting that it is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public in such jurisdiction; or (d) any untrue statement made by the Managing Dealer or its representatives or agents or omission to state a fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in connection with the offer and sale of the Shares; or (e) any material violation of this Agreement; or (f) any failure to comply with applicable laws governing privacy issues, money laundering abatement and anti-terrorist financing efforts, including applicable rules of the SEC, FINRA, and FinCEN in implementing the Bank Secrecy Act and the USA Patriot Act; or (g) any other failure to comply with applicable rules of FINRA or federal or state securities laws and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; provided further that the Managing Dealer's obligation to indemnify the Company shall be limited to the extent of any fees earned and retained by the Managing Dealer (excluding any fees re-allowed to Brokers) pursuant to this Agreement. The Managing Dealer will reimburse the aforesaid parties for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending such Loss, expense or action. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability that the Managing Dealer may otherwise have.

c. Each Broker severally will indemnify and hold harmless the Company, the Managing Dealer, each of their officers, trustees and directors (including any person named in the Registration Statement, with his consent, as about to become a trustee), each other person who has signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company or the Managing Dealer within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act (the "Broker Indemnified Persons") from and against any Losses to which a Broker Indemnified Person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such Losses (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (a) any untrue statement of a material fact contained (i) in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or (ii) in any Blue Sky Application or (iii) in any Authorized Sales Materials; or (b) the omission to state in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, or any post-effective amendment or supplement to either or in any Blue Sky Application or Authorized Sales Materials a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, provided that clauses (a) and (b) apply, to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company or the Managing Dealer by or on behalf of the Broker specifically for use with reference to the Broker in the preparation of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any posteffective amendment or supplement either or in preparation of any Blue Sky Application or Authorized Sales Materials; or (c) any use of sales literature not authorized or approved by the Company or any use of "broker-dealer use only" materials with members of the public by the Broker in the offer and sale of the Shares or any use of sales literature in a particular jurisdiction if such material bears a legend denoting that it is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public in such jurisdiction; or (d) any untrue statement made by the Broker or its representatives or agents or omission to state a fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in connection with the offer and sale of the Shares; or (e) any material violation of this Agreement or the Selected Intermediary Agreement entered into between the Managing Dealer and the Broker; or (f) any failure or alleged failure to comply with all applicable laws, including, without limitation, laws governing privacy issues, money laundering abatement and anti-terrorist financing efforts, including applicable rules of the SEC, FINRA and the USA Patriot Act; or (g) any other failure or alleged failure to comply with applicable rules of FINRA or federal or state securities laws and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. Each such Broker will reimburse each Broker Indemnified Person for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Loss, expense or action. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability that such Broker may otherwise have.

d. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 4 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against any indemnifying party under this Section 4, notify in writing the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof. The failure of an indemnified party to so notify the indemnifying party will relieve the indemnifying party from any liability under this Section 4 as to the particular item for which indemnification is then being sought, but not from any other liability that it may have to any indemnified party. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party, and it notifies an indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party will be entitled, to the extent it may wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to participate in the defense thereof, with separate counsel. Such participation shall not relieve such indemnifying party of the obligation to reimburse the indemnifying party has deposited funds sufficient to effect the settlement, with prejudice, of the claim in respect of which indemnify is sought. Any such indemnifying party shall not be liable to any such indemnified party on account of any settlement of any claim or action effected without the consent of such indemnifying party. Any indemnified party shall not be bound to perform or refrain from performing any act pursuant to the terms of any settlement of any claim or action effected without the consent of such indemnifying party. Any indemnified party shall not be consent of such indemnifying party.

e. The indemnifying party shall pay all legal fees and expenses of the indemnified party in the defense of such claims or actions; provided, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be obliged to pay legal expenses and fees to more than one law firm in connection with the defense of similar claims arising out of the same alleged acts or omissions giving rise to such claims notwithstanding that such actions or claims are alleged or brought by one or more parties against more than one indemnified party. If such claims or actions are alleged or brought against more than one indemnified party. If such claims or actions are alleged or brought against more than one indemnified party, then the indemnifying party shall only be obliged to reimburse the expenses and fees of the one law firm that has been selected by a majority of the indemnified parties against which such action is finally brought; and in the event a majority of such indemnified parties are unable to agree on which law firm for which expenses or fees will be reimbursable by the indemnifying party, then payment shall be made to the first law firm of record representing an indemnified party against the action or claim. Such law firm shall be paid only to the extent of services performed by such law firm and no reimbursement shall be payable to such law firm on account of legal services performed by another law firm.

f. The indemnity agreements contained in this Section 4 shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of (a) any investigation made by or on behalf of any Broker, or any person controlling any Broker or by or on behalf of the Company, the Managing Dealer or any officer, trustee or director thereof, or by or on behalf of any person controlling the Company or the Managing Dealer, (b) delivery of any Shares and payment therefor, and (c) any termination of this Agreement. A successor of any Broker or of any of the parties to this Agreement, as the case may be, shall be entitled to the benefits, and subject to the obligations of, the indemnity agreements contained in this Section 4.

#### 5. Survival of Provisions.

a. The respective agreements, representations and warranties of the Company and the Managing Dealer set forth in this Agreement shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of (a) any investigation made by or on behalf of the Managing Dealer or any Broker or any person controlling the Managing Dealer or any Broker or by or on behalf of the Company or any person controlling the Company, and (b) the acceptance of any payment for the Shares.

b. The respective agreements of the Company and the Managing Dealer set forth in Sections 3.c. through 3.g. and Sections 4 through 14 of this Agreement shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of any termination of this Agreement.

6. *Applicable Law*. This Agreement was executed and delivered in, and its validity, interpretation and construction shall be governed by, the laws of the State of New York; provided however, that causes of action for violations of federal or state securities laws shall not be governed by this section. Venue for any action brought hereunder shall lie exclusively in New York, New York.

7. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts. Each counterpart, when executed and delivered, shall be an original contract, but all counterparts, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

#### 8. Successors and Amendment.

a. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Managing Dealer and the Company and their respective successors. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give to any other person any right, remedy or claim, except as otherwise specifically provided herein. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit and be binding upon Brokers to the extent set forth in Sections 1 and 4 hereof and the provisions of the applicable Intermediary Agreement.

b. This Agreement may be amended by the written agreement of the Managing Dealer and the Company.

9. Term and Termination. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above and shall remain in force until the first anniversary of its effective date and shall thereafter continue in effect from year to year, but only so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by a vote of the board of trustees of the Company, including the vote of a majority of the trustees who are not "interested persons," as defined by the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder, of the Company and who have no direct or indirect financial interest in the operation of the Company's Distribution and Servicing Plan (the "Plan") or any agreements entered into in connection with the Plan (including this Agreement), cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose. Any party to this Agreement shall have the right to terminate this Agreement on 60 days' written notice or immediately upon notice to the other party in the event that such other party shall have failed to comply with any material provision hereof. The Agreement also may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by vote of a majority of the Company's trustees who are not "interested persons", as defined in the 1940 Act, of the Company and who have no direct or indirect financial interest in the operation of the Company's distribution plan or this Agreement or by vote a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company, on not more than 60 days' written notice to the Managing Dealer or the Adviser. This Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its assignment, as defined in the 1940 Act.

Upon termination of this Agreement, the Managing Dealer shall promptly deliver to the Company all records and documents in its possession that relate to the Offering other than as required by law to be retained by the Managing Dealer. Managing Dealer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Company to accomplish an orderly transfer of management of the Offering to a party designated by the Company.

10. Confirmation. The Company hereby agrees and assumes the duty to confirm on its behalf and on behalf of Brokers who sell the Shares all orders for purchase of Shares accepted by the Company. Such confirmations will comply with the rules of the SEC and FINRA, and will comply with applicable laws of such other jurisdictions to the extent the Company is advised of such laws in writing by the Managing Dealer.

11. Prospectus and Authorized Sales Materials. Managing Dealer agrees that it is not authorized or permitted to give and will not give, any information or make any representation concerning the Shares except as set forth in the Prospectus and any Authorized Sales Materials. The Managing Dealer further agrees (a) not to deliver any Authorized Sales Materials to any investor or prospective investor, to any intermediary that has not entered into a Selected Intermediary Agreement or Servicing Agreement, or to any representatives or other associated persons of such an intermediary, unless it is accompanied or preceded by the Prospectus as amended and supplemented, (b) not to show or give to any investor or prospective investor or reproduce any material or writing that is supplied to it by the Company and marked "broker only", "dealer only" or otherwise bearing a legend denoting that it

is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public and (c) not to show or give to any investor or prospective investor in a particular jurisdiction (and will similarly require Brokers pursuant to the Selected Intermediary Agreement) any material or writing that is supplied to it by the Company if such material bears a legend denoting that it is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public in such jurisdiction. Managing Dealer, in its agreements with Brokers, will include requirements and obligations of the Brokers similar to those imposed upon the Managing Dealer pursuant to this section.

12. Suitability of Investors. The Managing Dealer, in its agreements with Brokers, will require that the Brokers offer Shares only to persons who meet the financial qualifications set forth in the Prospectus or in any suitability letter or memorandum sent to it by the Company and will only make offers to persons in the jurisdictions in which it is advised in writing that the Shares are qualified for sale or that such qualification is not required. In offering Shares, the Managing Dealer, in its agreements with Brokers, will require that the Broker comply with the provisions of all applicable rules and regulations relating to suitability of investors, including, without limitation, the provisions of Exchange Act Rule 151-1 ("Regulation Best Interest") and Article III of the Omnibus Guidelines and applicable laws of the jurisdiction of which such investor is a resident. The Managing Dealer, in its agreements with Brokers shall sell Shares only to those persons who are eligible to purchase such shares as described in the Prospectus and only through those Brokers who are authorized to sell such shares. The Managing Dealer, in its agreements with the Brokers to maintain, for at least six years, a record of the information obtained to determine that an investor meets the financial qualification and suitability standards imposed on the offer and sale of the Shares.

13. Submission of Orders. The Managing Dealer will require in its agreements with each Broker that each Broker comply with the submission of orders procedures set forth in the form of Selected Intermediary Agreement attached as Exhibit "A" to this Agreement. To the extent the Managing Dealer is involved in the distribution process other than through a Broker, the Managing Dealer will comply with such submission of orders procedures, and will require each person desiring to purchase Shares in the Offering to complete and execute a subscription agreement in the form filed as an appendix to the Prospectus (a "Subscription Agreement") in the form provided by the Company to the Managing Dealer for use in connection with the Offering and to deliver to the Managing Dealer or as otherwise directed by the Managing Dealer such completed and executed Subscription Agreement together with a check or wire transfer ("instrument of payment") in the amount of such person's purchase, which must be at least the minimum purchase amount set forth in the Prospectus. Subscription Agreements and instruments of payment will be transmitted by the Managing Dealer to the Company, as soon as practicable, but in any event by the end of the second business day following receipt by the Managing Dealer. If the Managing Dealer receives a Subscription Agreement and instrument of payment directly to such subscriber not later than the end of the next business day following its receipt. Instruments of payment of rejected subscribers will be promptly returned to such subscribers.

14. *Notice*. Notices and other writings contemplated by this Agreement shall be delivered via (i) hand, (ii) first class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, (iii) a nationally recognized overnight courier or (iv) electronic mail. All such notices shall be addressed, as follows:

If to the Managing Dealer:	HPS Securities, LLC 40 West 57 <sup>th</sup> Street, 33 <sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10019
If to the Company:	HPS Corporate Lending Fund c/o HPS Advisors, LLC 40 West 57th Street, 33rd Floor New York, NY 10019

If the foregoing correctly sets forth our understanding, please indicate your acceptance thereof in the space provided below for that purpose, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall constitute a binding agreement between us as of the date first above written.

Very truly yours,

HPS CORPORATE LENDING FUND

By:

/s/ Robert Busch Name: Robert Busch Title: Chief Financial Officer

Accepted and agreed to as of the date first above written:

HPS SECURITIES, LLC

By:/s/ Joseph VirgilioName:Joseph VirgilioTitle:Chief Compliance Officer

# EXHIBIT A

# SELECTED INTERMEDIARY AGREEMENT

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

HPS Securities, LLC, as the managing dealer ("<u>Managing Dealer</u>") for HPS Corporate Lending Fund (the "<u>Company</u>"), a Delaware statutory trust, invites you (the "<u>Broker</u>") to participate in the distribution of common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Company ("<u>Common Shares</u>") subject to the following terms:

#### I. Managing Dealer Agreement

The Managing Dealer has entered into a Managing Dealer Agreement (the "<u>Managing Dealer Agreement</u>") with the Company dated [], 2025, attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Except as otherwise specifically stated herein, all terms used in this Agreement have the meanings provided in the Managing Dealer Agreement.

As described in the Managing Dealer Agreement, the Company has filed one or more registration statements with the SEC (each, a "Registration Statement") to register an ongoing offering (each, an "Offering") of Common Shares, which may consist of various classes of shares of beneficial interest (the "Shares").

In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, "the Registration Statement" means, at any given time, the current effective registration statement, as may be amended or supplemented from time to time. In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, "the Offering" means, at any given time, an offering covered by a Registration Statement and "Shares" means the Shares being offered in an Offering. In this Agreement, unless explicitly stated otherwise, any references to the Registration Statement, the Offering, the Shares or the Prospectus with respect to each other shall mean only those that are all related to the same Registration Statement.

By your acceptance of this Agreement, you will become one of the Brokers referred to in the Managing Dealer Agreement between the Company and the Managing Dealer and will be entitled and subject to the indemnification provisions contained in the Managing Dealer Agreement, including the provisions of Section 4 of the Managing Dealer Agreement wherein the Brokers severally agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, the Managing Dealer and each officer and director thereof, and each person, if any, who controls the Company or the Managing Dealer within the meaning of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). Broker acknowledges that the Managing Dealer's liability for the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee is limited solely to the proceeds of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee due until such time as the Managing Dealer is in receipt of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee from the Company.

The Broker hereby agrees to use its best efforts to sell the Shares for cash on the terms and conditions stated in the Prospectus. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to make the Broker an employee, agent, representative or partner of the Managing Dealer or of the Company, and the Broker is not authorized to act for the Managing Dealer or the Company or to make any representations on their behalf except as set forth in the Prospectus and in the Authorized Sales Materials.

#### II. Submission of Orders

Each person desiring to purchase Shares in the Offering will be required to complete and execute a Subscription Agreement and to deliver to the Broker such completed and executed Subscription Agreement together with a check or wire transfer ("<u>instrument of payment</u>") in the amount of such person's purchase, which must be at least the minimum purchase amount set forth in the Prospectus. Those persons who purchase Shares will be instructed by the Broker to make their instruments of payment payable to or for the benefit of "HPS Corporate Lending Fund". Purchase orders which include (i) instruments of payment received by the Company at least five (5) business days prior to the first calendar day of the month and (ii) a completed and executed Subscription Agreement in good order received by the Company at least five (5) business days prior to the first calendar day of the month (unless waived by the Managing Dealer) will be executed as of the first calendar day of the month (based on the NAV per share as determined as of the previous day, being the last day of the preceding month). Any tender offer requests must be made in accordance with the applicable procedures described in the Company's Registration Statement, the Company's Share Repurchase Program described in the Registration Statement (the "<u>Plan</u>"), and applicable law, rules and regulations. The parties acknowledge and agree that a tender offer is not received in "good order" unless the tender offer and all required documentation is complete and received by the Company is transfer agent by the applicable tender offer deadline described in the Company's transfer agent by the applicable tender offer deadline described in the Company's transfer agent by the applicable tender offer deadline described in the Company's transfer agent by the applicable tender offer deadline described in the Company's tender offer documents or otherwise specified by the Company in writing.

Broker agrees, upon receipt of any and all checks, drafts, money orders or other instruments of payment from prospective purchasers of shares, to transmit same, together with a copy of the executed Subscription Agreement or copy of the signature page of such agreement, which conforms to the foregoing instructions and stating among other things, the name of the purchaser, current address, and the amount of the investment, in accordance with the following procedures, unless otherwise agreed with the Managing Dealer:

- (i) Where, pursuant to the Broker's internal supervisory procedures, internal supervisory review is conducted at the same location at which Subscription Agreements and instruments of payment are received from subscribers, Subscription Agreements and instruments of payment will be transmitted by the end of the next business day following receipt by the Broker for deposit to the Company or its agent as set forth in the Subscription Agreement or as otherwise directed by the Company.
- (ii) Where, pursuant to the Broker's internal supervisory procedures, final internal supervisory review is conducted at a different location, Subscription Agreements and instruments of payment will be transmitted by the end of the next business day following receipt by the Broker to the office of the Broker conducting such final internal supervisory review (the "<u>Final Review Office</u>"). The Final Review Office will in turn, by the end of the next business day following receipt by the Final Review Office, transmit such Subscription Agreements and instruments of payment for deposit to the Company or its agent as set forth in the Subscription Agreement or as otherwise directed by the Company.

If the Broker receives a Subscription Agreement or instrument of payment not conforming to the foregoing instructions, the Broker shall return such Subscription Agreement and instrument of payment directly to such subscriber not later than the end of the next business day following its receipt.

### III. Pricing

Except as otherwise provided in the Prospectus, which may be amended or supplemented from time to time, the Primary Shares shall generally be offered to the public at a purchase price payable in cash equal to the Company's then-current net asset value ("<u>NAV</u>") per share applicable to the class of Shares being purchased (as calculated in accordance with the procedures described in the Prospectus). Broker may also charge transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, in connection with the sale of Shares as described in Schedule I attached hereto. For shareholders who participate in the Company's distribution reinvestment plan ("<u>DRIP</u>"), the cash distributions attributable to the class of shares that each shareholder owns will be automatically re-invested in additional shares of the same class. The DRIP Shares will be issued and sold to shareholders of the Company at a purchase price equal to the most recent available NAV per share for such shares at the time the distribution is payable. Minimum purchase amounts for each class of Shares shall be as set forth in the Prospectus. The Shares are nonassessable.

#### IV. Brokers' Compensation

Except as may be provided in the "Plan of Distribution" section of the Prospectus, which may be amended or supplemented from time to time, as compensation for completed sales and ongoing shareholder services rendered by Broker hereunder, Broker is entitled, on the terms and subject to the conditions herein, to the compensation set forth on <u>Schedule I</u> hereto.

#### V. Representations, Warranties and Covenants of Broker

In addition to the representations and warranties found elsewhere in this Agreement, Broker represents, warrants and agrees that:

- (i) It is duly organized and existing and in good standing under the laws of the state, commonwealth or other jurisdiction in which Broker is organized.
- (ii) It is empowered under applicable laws and by Broker's organizational documents to enter into this Agreement and perform all activities and services of the Broker provided for herein and that there are no impediments, prior or existing, or regulatory, self-regulatory, administrative, civil or criminal matters affecting Broker's ability to perform under this Agreement.
- (iii) The execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement; the incurrence of the obligations set forth herein; and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein, including the issuance and sale of the Shares, will not constitute a breach of, or default under, any agreement or instrument by which Broker is bound, or to which any of its assets are subject, or any order, rule, or regulation applicable to it of any court, governmental body, or administrative agency having jurisdiction over it.
- (iv) All requisite actions have been taken to authorize Broker to enter into and perform this Agreement.

- (v) It shall notify Managing Dealer, promptly in writing, of any written claim or complaint or any enforcement action or other proceeding with respect to Shares offered hereunder against Broker or its principals, affiliates, officers, directors, employees or agents, or any person who controls Broker, within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act.
- (vi) Except for those jurisdictions listed on Schedule III hereto, Broker will not offer, sell or distribute Shares, or otherwise make any such Shares available, in any jurisdiction outside of the United States or United States territories unless the Broker receives prior written consent from Managing Dealer.
- (vii) Broker acknowledges that the Managing Dealer will enter into similar agreements with other broker-dealers, which does not require the consent of Broker.
- (viii) Broker represents that it is a broker-dealer registered with FINRA and (effective August 20, 2017) subject to FINRA Rule 2030 ("Rule 2030"). Broker represents that it has policies and procedures to ensure compliance with Rule 2030 and is currently in compliance with Rule 2030. Moreover, Broker represents that neither it nor any of its Covered Associates (i.e., any (i) general partner, managing member or executive officer of Broker, as well as any person with a similar status or function, (ii) any associated person of Broker who engages in distribution or solicitation activities with a government entity, (iii) any associated person of Broker who supervises, directly or indirectly, the government entity distribution or solicitation activities of a person in (ii) above, and (iv) any political action committee controlled by Broker or one of its Covered Associates) has made, directly or indirectly, any contributions that prohibit Broker from engaging in solicitation activities for compensation under Rule 2030 (a "Triggering Contribution"). Broker hereby agrees that neither it nor its Covered Associates will make a Triggering Contribution or violate Rule 2030 while engaged hereunder. If Broker breaches this provision and becomes aware of a Triggering Contribution of Rule 2030, it shall promptly provide written notice to the Managing Dealer of the nature of the ban or violation.
- (ix) Broker represents that Broker is acting solely as an agent for its customers with respect to their purchase or sale of Shares and is not acting for Broker's own account. Any transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, charged by Broker in connection with its sale of Shares will be charged in a manner consistent with the Prospectus and applicable law and FINRA rules.
- (x) Broker further represents, warrants and covenants that neither Broker, nor any person associated with Broker, shall offer or sell Shares in any jurisdiction except to investors who satisfy the investor suitability standards and minimum investment requirements under the most restrictive of the following: (a) applicable provisions described in the Prospectus, including minimum income and net worth standards; (b) applicable laws of the jurisdiction of which such investor is a resident; (c) applicable provisions of Regulation Best Interest; or (d) applicable FINRA rules. The Managing Dealer agrees to ensure that, in recommending the purchase, sale or exchange of Shares to an investor, Broker, or a person associated with the Broker, shall have reasonable grounds to believe, on the basis of information obtained from the investor (and thereafter maintained in the manner and for the period required by the SEC, any state securities

commission, FINRA or the Company) concerning his or her age, investment objectives, other investments, financial situation and needs and any other information known to the Broker, or person associated with the Broker, that (i) the investor can reasonably benefit from an investment in the Shares based on the investor's overall investment objectives and portfolio structure, (ii) the investor is able to bear the economic risk of the investment based on the investor's overall financial situation and (iii) the investor has an apparent understanding of (A) the fundamental risks of the investment, (B) the risk that the investor may lose his or her entire investment in the Shares, (C) the lack of liquidity of the Shares, (D) the background and qualifications of the HPS Advisors, LLC (the "<u>Advisor</u>") or the persons responsible for directing and managing the Company and (E) the tax consequences of an investment in the Shares. In the case of sales to fiduciary accounts, the suitability standards must be met by the person who directly or indirectly supplied the funds for the purchase of the Shares or by the beneficiary of such fiduciary account. The Broker further represents, warrants and covenants that the Broker, or a person associated with the Broker, will make every reasonable effort to determine the suitability and appropriateness of an investment in Shares of each proposed investor by reviewing documents and records disclosing the basis upon which the determination as to suitability was reached as to each purchaser of Shares pursuant to a subscription solicited by the Broker, whether such documents and records relate to accounts which have been closed, accounts which are currently maintained or accounts hereafter established.

#### VI. Right to Reject Orders or Cancel Sales

All orders, whether initial or additional, are subject to acceptance by and shall only become effective upon confirmation by the Company, which reserves the right to reject any order for any reason or no reason including, without limitation, orders not accompanied by an executed Subscription Agreement in good order or without the required instrument of payment in full payment for the Shares. Issuance and delivery of the Shares will be made only after actual receipt of payment therefor. If any check is not paid upon presentment, or if the Company is not in actual receipt of clearinghouse funds or cash, certified or cashier's check or the equivalent in payment for the Shares, the Company reserves the right to cancel the sale without notice.

#### VII. Prospectus and Authorized Sales Materials; Compliance with Laws

Broker is not authorized or permitted to give and will not give, any information or make any representation concerning the Shares except as set forth in the Prospectus and any Authorized Sales Materials. The Managing Dealer will supply Broker with a link to the Company's publicly accessible website (<u>www.hlend.com</u>) where the Broker may obtain the Prospectus, any supplements thereto and any amended Prospectus, as well as any Authorized Sales Materials, for delivery to investors. Broker agrees that it shall have delivered (i) to each investor to whom an offer to sell the Shares is made, as of the time of such offer, a copy of the Prospectus and all supplements thereto and any amended Prospectus that have then been made available to the Broker by the Managing Dealer and (ii) to each investor that subscribes for an order to purchase Shares, as of the time the Company accepts such investor's order to purchase the Shares within the timeframes described in the Prospectus, a copy of the Prospectus and all supplements thereto and any amended Prospectus that have then been made available to the Broker by the Managing Dealer. The Broker agrees that it will not send or give any supplement to the Prospectus or any Authorized Sales Materials to an investor unless it has previously

sent or given a Prospectus and all previous supplements thereto and any amended Prospectus to that investor or has simultaneously sent or given a Prospectus and all previous supplements thereto and any amended Prospectus with such supplement to the Prospectus or Authorized Sales Materials. The Broker agrees that it will not show or give to any investor or prospective investor or reproduce any material or writing which is supplied to it by the Managing Dealer and marked "broker only", "dealer only" or otherwise bearing a legend denoting that it is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public. The Broker agrees that it will not show or give to any investor or prospective investor in a particular jurisdiction any material or writing that is supplied to it by the Managing Dealer if such material bears a legend denoting that it is not to be used in connection with the sale of Shares to members of the public in such jurisdiction. Broker agrees that it will not use in connection with the offer or sale of Shares any material or writing which relates to another company supplied to it by the Company or the Managing Dealer bearing a legend which states that such material may not be used in connection with the offer or sale of any securities other than the company to which it relates. The Broker further agrees that it will not use in connection with the offer or sale of Shares any materials or writings which have not been previously approved by the Managing Dealer or the Company in writing. The Broker agrees, if the Managing Dealer so requests, to furnish a copy of any final Prospectuses required for compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-8 under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>"). Regardless of the termination of this Agreement, the Broker will deliver a Prospectus in transactions in the Shares for a period of ninety (90) days from the effective date of the Registration Statement or such longer period as may be required by the Exchange Act.

On becoming a Broker, and in offering and selling Shares, the Broker agrees to comply with all the applicable requirements imposed upon it under (a) the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated under both such acts, (b) all applicable state securities laws and regulations as from time to time in effect, (c) any other state, federal, foreign and other laws and regulations applicable to the Offering, the sale of Shares or the activities of the Broker pursuant to this Agreement, including without limitation the privacy standards and requirements of state and federal laws, including the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999, as amended ("<u>GLBA</u>"), and the laws governing money laundering abatement and anti-terrorist financing efforts, including the applicable rules of the SEC, FinCEN and FINRA, the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended, the USA Patriot Act, and regulations administered by the Office of Foreign Asset Control at the Department of the Treasury, and (d) this Agreement and the Prospectus as amended and supplemented. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement or the payment of any amount to the Broker, the Broker agrees to pay the Broker's proportionate share of any claim, demand or liability asserted against the Broker and the other Brokers on the basis that such Brokers or any of them constitute an association, unincorporated business or other separate entity, including in each case such Broker's proportionate share of any expenses incurred in defending against any such claim, demand or liability.

Broker and the Managing Dealer further agree to the following terms:

(i) Broker agrees that it (1) will maintain written policies and procedures covering the delivery of electronic offering documents and the use of electronic signatures, (2) will comply with all applicable SEC rules and guidelines pertaining to electronic delivery of the Prospectus and Authorized Sales Materials and electronic signature of the Subscription Agreement, (3) will comply with all of the applicable requirements set forth in the NASAA Statement of Policy Regarding Use of Electronic Offering Documents and Electronic Signatures (the "Statement of Policy"), (4) will comply with such requirements in every U.S. jurisdiction irrespective of whether the jurisdiction has adopted the

Statement of Policy, (5) acknowledges that it is acting as an agent of the Company only with respect to the delivery of the Prospectus and Authorized Sales Materials electronically, the administration of the subscription process and the obtainment of electronic signatures and only to the extent its actions are in compliance with the Statement of Policy and the Intermediary Agreement and (6) will also comply, as applicable, with The Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act and the Uniform Electronic Transaction Act and any other applicable law.

(ii) In consideration of the foregoing, the Managing Dealer hereby agrees that it will not reject a subscription on account of an electronic signature if such signature was obtained in the manner set forth in this Section VII.

#### VIII. License and Association Membership

The Broker's acceptance of this Agreement constitutes a representation to the Company and the Managing Dealer that the Broker is a properly registered or licensed broker-dealer, duly authorized to sell Shares under federal and state securities laws and regulations, and foreign laws (including the laws of the jurisdictions listed on <u>Schedule III</u>), if applicable, and in all states or jurisdictions where it offers or sells Shares, and that it is a member in good standing of FINRA. This Agreement shall automatically terminate if the Broker ceases to be a member in good standing of FINRA. The Broker agrees to notify the Managing Dealer immediately if the Broker ceases to be a member in good standing of FINRA. The Broker also hereby agrees to abide by the Rules of FINRA, including FINRA Rules 2040, 2111, 2121, 2310, 5110 and 5141.

#### IX. Limitation of Offer; Suitability

The Broker will offer Shares (both at the time of an initial subscription and at the time of any additional subscription, including initial enrollments and increased participations in the DRIP) only to persons who meet the financial qualifications and suitability standards set forth in the Prospectus or in any suitability letter or memorandum sent to it by the Company or the Managing Dealer and will only make offers to persons in the jurisdictions in which it is advised in writing by the Managing Dealer that the Shares are qualified for sale or that such qualification is not required and in which the Broker has all required licenses and registrations to offer Shares in such jurisdictions (including the jurisdictions listed on <u>Schedule III</u>). In offering Shares, the Broker will comply with the provisions of the Rules set forth in the FINRA Manual, Exchange Act Rule 151-1 ("<u>Regulation Best Interest</u>"), as well as all other applicable rules and regulations relating to suitability of investors, including without limitation, the provisions of Article III.C and Article III.E of the Omnibus Guidelines Statement of Policy of the North American Securities Administrators Association, Inc. (the "<u>NASAA</u> <u>Guidelines</u>") adopted on March 29, 1992 and as amended on May 7, 2007. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to relieve the Broker of its suitability obligations under Regulation Best Interest, FINRA Rule 2111 or FINRA Rule 2310.

The Broker further represents, warrants and covenants that neither Broker, nor any person associated with the Broker, shall offer or sell Shares in any jurisdiction except to investors who satisfy the investor suitability standards and minimum investment requirements under the most restrictive of the following: (a) applicable provisions described in the Prospectus, including minimum income and net worth standards; (b) applicable laws of the jurisdiction of which such investor is a resident; (c) applicable provisions of Regulation Best Interest; or (d) applicable FINRA rules. The Broker agrees to ensure that, in recommending the purchase, sale or exchange of Shares to an investor, the Broker, or a person

associated with the Broker, shall have reasonable grounds to believe, on the basis of information obtained from the investor (and thereafter maintained in the manner and for the period required by the SEC, any state securities commission, FINRA or the Company) concerning his or her age, investment objectives, other investments, financial situation and needs and any other information known to the Broker, or person associated with the Broker, that (i) the investor can reasonably benefit from an investment in the Shares based on the investor's overall investment objectives and portfolio structure, (ii) the investor is able to bear the economic risk of the investment based on the investor's overall financial situation and (iii) the investor has an apparent understanding of (A) the fundamental risks of the investment, (B) the risk that the investor may lose his or her entire investment in the Shares, (C) the lack of liquidity of the Shares, (D) the background and qualifications of the Advisor or the persons responsible for directing and managing the Company and (E) the tax consequences of an investment in the Shares. In the case of sales to fiduciary accounts, the suitability standards must be met by the person who directly or indirectly supplied the funds for the purchase of the Shares or by the beneficiary of such fiduciary account. The Broker further represents, warrants and covenants that the Broker, or a person associated with the Broker, will make every reasonable effort to determine the suitability and appropriateness of an investment in Shares of each proposed investor by reviewing documents and records disclosing the basis upon which the determination as to suitability was reached as to each purchaser of Shares pursuant to a subscription solicited by the Broker, whether such documents and records relate to accounts which have been closed, accounts which are currently maintained or accounts hereafter established.

The Broker will sell Class S shares, Class D shares, Class F shares and Class I shares only to the extent approved by the Managing Dealer as set forth on <u>Schedule I</u> to this Agreement, and to the extent approved to sell Class D shares and Class I shares pursuant to this Agreement, sell such shares only to those persons who are eligible to purchase Class D shares and Class I shares as described in the Prospectus. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to impose upon the Company or the Managing Dealer the responsibility of assuring that prospective investors meet the suitability standards in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Prospectus. Broker shall not purchase any Shares for a discretionary account without obtaining the prior written approval of Broker's customer and such customer's completed and executed Subscription Agreement. The Broker agrees to comply with the record-keeping requirements imposed by (a) federal and state securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder, (b) the applicable rules of FINRA, and (c) the NASAA Guidelines, including the requirement to maintain records (the "<u>Suitability Records</u>") of the information used to determine that an investment in Shares is suitable and appropriate for each subscriber for a period of six (6) years from the date of the sale of the Shares. The Broker further agrees to make the Suitability Records available to the Managing Dealer and the Company upon request and to make them available to representatives of the SEC and FINRA and applicable state securities administrators upon the Broker's receipt of a subpoena or other appropriate document request from such agency.

[Any relevant jurisdictional selling restrictions to be added as applicable.]

The Broker further represents that it understands that the Shares have not been registered and are not expected to be registered under the laws of any country or jurisdiction outside of the United States except as otherwise described in the Prospectus.

#### X. Disclosure Review; Confidentiality of Information

The Broker agrees that it shall have reasonable grounds to believe, based on the information made available to it through the Prospectus or other materials, that all material facts are adequately and accurately disclosed in the Prospectus and provide a basis for evaluating the Shares. In making this determination, the Broker shall evaluate, at a minimum, items of compensation, physical properties, tax aspects, financial stability and experience of the sponsor, conflicts of interest and risk factors, and appraisals and other pertinent reports. If the Broker relies upon the results of any inquiry conducted by another member or members of FINRA, the Broker shall have reasonable grounds to believe that such inquiry was conducted with due care, that the member or members conducting or directing the inquiry consented to the disclosure of the results of the inquiry and that the person who participated in or conducted the inquiry is not the Managing Dealer or a sponsor or an affiliate of the sponsor of the Company.

It is anticipated that (i) the Broker and Broker's officers, directors, managers, employees, owners, members, partners, home office diligence personnel or other agents of the Broker that are conducting a due diligence inquiry on behalf of the Broker and (ii) persons or committees, as the case may be, responsible for determining whether the Broker will participate in the Offering ((i) and (ii) are collectively, the "Diligence Representatives") either have previously or will in the future have access to certain Confidential Information (defined below) pertaining to the Company, the Managing Dealer, the Advisor, or their respective affiliates. For purposes hereof, "Confidential Information" shall mean and include: (i) trade secrets concerning the business and affairs of the Company, the Managing Dealer, the Advisor, or their respective affiliates; (ii) confidential data, know-how, current and planned research and development, current and planned methods and processes, marketing lists or strategies, slide presentations, business plans, however documented, belonging to the Company, the Managing Dealer, the Advisor, or their respective affiliates; (iii) information concerning the business and affairs of the Company, the Managing Dealer, the Advisor, or their respective affiliates (including, without limitation, historical financial statements, financial projections and budgets, investment-related information, models, budgets, plans, and market studies, however documented; (iv) any information marked or designated "Confidential-For Due Diligence Purposes Only"; and (v) any notes, analysis, compilations, studies, summaries and other material containing or based, in whole or in part, on any information included in the foregoing. The Broker agrees to keep, and to cause its Diligence Representatives to keep, all such Confidential Information strictly confidential and to not use, distribute or copy the same except in connection with the Broker's due diligence inquiry. The Broker agrees to not disclose, and to cause its Diligence Representatives not to disclose, such Confidential Information to the public, or to the Broker's sales staff, financial advisors, or any person involved in selling efforts related to the Offering or to any other third party and agrees not to use the Confidential Information in any manner in the offer and sale of the Shares. The Broker further agrees to use all reasonable precautions necessary to preserve the confidentiality of such Confidential Information, including, but not limited to (a) limiting access to such information to persons who have a need to know such information only for the purpose of the Broker's due diligence inquiry and (b) informing each recipient of such Confidential Information of the Broker's confidentiality obligation. The Broker acknowledges that Broker or its Diligence Representatives may previously have received Confidential Information in connection with preliminary due diligence on the Company, and agrees that the foregoing restrictions shall apply to any such previously received Confidential Information. The Broker acknowledges that Broker or its Diligence Representatives may in the future receive Confidential Information either in individual or collective meetings or telephone calls with the Company, and agrees that the foregoing restrictions shall apply to any Confidential Information received in the future through any source or medium. The Broker acknowledges the restrictions and limitations of Regulation FD promulgated by the SEC and agrees that the foregoing restrictions are necessary and appropriate in order for the Company to comply therewith.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Confidential Information may be disclosed (a) if approved in writing for disclosure by the Company or the Managing Dealer, (b) pursuant to a subpoena or as required by law, or (c) as required by regulation, rule, order or request of any governing or self-regulatory organization (including the SEC or FINRA), provided that the Broker shall notify the Managing Dealer in advance if practicable under the circumstances of any attempt to obtain Confidential Information pursuant to provisions (b) and (c).

#### XI. Broker's Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Rules and Regulations

The Broker hereby represents that it has complied and will comply with Section 326 of the USA Patriot Act and the implementing rules and regulations promulgated thereunder in connection with broker/Brokers' anti-money laundering obligations. The Broker hereby represents that it has adopted and implemented, and will maintain a written anti-money laundering compliance program ("AML Program") including, without limitation, antimoney laundering policies and procedures relating to customer due diligence, including, but not limited to, customer identification and beneficial ownership information of legal entity customers in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including federal and state securities laws, applicable rules of FINRA, FinCEN and the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended by the USA Patriot Act and the implementing rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. In accordance with these applicable laws and regulations and its AML Program, Broker agrees to verify the identity of its new customers (including beneficial owners of legal entity customers); to maintain customer records; and to check the names of new customers against government watch lists, including the Office of Foreign Asset Control's (OFAC) list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons. Additionally, Broker will monitor account activity to identify patterns of unusual size or volume, geographic factors and any other "red flags" described in the USA Patriot Act as potential signals of money laundering or terrorist financing. Broker will submit to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network any required suspicious activity reports about such activity and further will disclose such activity to applicable federal and state law enforcement when required by law. Upon request by the Managing Dealer at any time, the Broker hereby agrees to furnish (a) a copy of its AML Program to the Managing Dealer for review, and (b) a copy of the findings and any remedial actions taken in connection with the Broker's most recent independent testing of its AML Program. The Broker agrees to notify the Managing Dealer immediately if the Broker is subject to a FINRA disclosure event or fine from FINRA related to its AML Program. The Broker also agrees to provide to Managing Dealer any information reasonably requested by Managing Dealer for it to meet its obligations under anti-money laundering, sanctions and other applicable laws, including, but not limited to, any of Broker's customers that are listed on any sanctions lists, politically exposed persons or senior foreign political figures.

#### XII. Privacy

#### The Broker agrees as follows:

The Broker agrees to abide by and comply in all respects with (a) the privacy standards and requirements of the GLBA and applicable regulations promulgated thereunder, (b) the privacy standards and requirements of any other applicable federal or state law, including the Fair Credit Reporting Act, as amended ("<u>FCRA</u>"), and (c) its own internal privacy policies and procedures, each as may be amended from time to time.

The parties hereto acknowledge that from time to time, Broker may share with the Company and the Company may share with Broker nonpublic personal information (as defined under the GLBA) of customers of Broker. This nonpublic personal information may include, but is not limited to a customer's name, address, telephone number, social security number, account information and personal financial information. Broker shall only be granted access to such nonpublic personal information of each of its customers that pertains to the period or periods during which Broker served as the broker of record for such customer's account. Broker, the Managing Dealer and the Company shall not disclose nonpublic personal information of any customers who have opted out of such disclosures, except (a) to service providers (when necessary and as permitted under the GLBA), (b) to carry out the purposes for which one party discloses such nonpublic personal information to another party under this Agreement (when necessary and as permitted under the GLBA), or (c) as otherwise required by applicable law. Any nonpublic personal information that one party receives from another party shall be subject to the limitations on usage described in this Section XII. Except as expressly permitted under the FCRA, Broker agrees that it shall not disclose any information that would be considered a "consumer report" under the FCRA.

Broker shall be responsible for determining which customers have opted out of the disclosure of nonpublic personal information by periodically reviewing and, if necessary, retrieving a list of such customers (the "List") to identify customers that have exercised their opt-out rights. In the event Broker, the Managing Dealer or the Company expects to use or disclose nonpublic personal information of any customer for purposes other than as set forth in this Section XII, it must first consult the List to determine whether the affected customer has exercised his or her opt-out rights. The use or disclosure of any nonpublic personal information of any customer that is identified on the List as having opted out of such disclosures, except as set forth in this Section XII, shall be prohibited.

Broker shall implement commercially reasonable measures in compliance with industry best practices designed: (a) to assure the security and confidentiality of nonpublic personal information of all customers; (b) to protect such information against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such information; (c) to protect against unauthorized access to, or use of, such information that could result in material harm to any customer; (d) to protect against unauthorized disclosure of such information to unaffiliated third parties; and (e) to otherwise ensure its compliance with all applicable privacy standards and requirements of federal or state law (including, but not limited to, the GLBA), and any other applicable legal or regulatory requirements. Broker further agrees to cause all its agents, representatives, affiliates, subcontractors, or any other party to whom Broker provides access to or discloses nonpublic personal information of customers to implement appropriate measures designed to meet the objectives set forth in this Section XII.

#### XIII. Broker's Undertaking to Not Facilitate a Secondary Market in the Shares

The Broker acknowledges that there is no public trading market for the Shares and that there are limits on the ownership, transferability and repurchase of the Shares, which significantly limit the liquidity of an investment in the Shares. The Broker also acknowledges that the Plan provides only a limited opportunity for investors to have their Shares purchased by the Company and that the Company's board of trustees may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the Plan at any time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. The Broker hereby agrees that so long as the Company is offering Shares under a Registration Statement filed with the SEC and the Company has not listed the Shares on a national securities exchange, the Broker will not engage in any action or transaction that would facilitate or otherwise create the appearance of a secondary market in the Shares without the prior written approval of the Managing Dealer.

#### XIV. Arbitration

Any dispute, controversy or claim arising between the parties relating to this Agreement (whether such dispute arises under any federal, state or local statute or regulation, or at common law), shall be resolved by final and binding arbitration administered in accordance with the then current commercial arbitration rules of FINRA in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (including the governing law provisions of this Agreement and pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C. §§ 1 – 16). The parties will request that the arbitrator or arbitration panel ("<u>Arbitrator</u>") issue written findings of fact and conclusions of law. The Arbitrator shall not be empowered to make any award or render any judgment for punitive damages, and the Arbitrator shall be required to follow applicable law in construing this Agreement, making awards, and rendering judgments. The decision of the arbitration panel shall be final and binding, and judgment upon any arbitration award may be entered by any court having jurisdiction. All arbitration hearings will be held at the New York City FINRA District Office or at another mutually agreed upon site. The parties may agree on a single arbitrator, or, if the parties cannot so agree, each party will have the right to choose one arbitrator, and the selected arbitrators will choose a third arbitration. Notwithstanding the preceding, no party will be prevented from immediately seeking provisional remedies in courts of competent jurisdiction, including but not limited to, temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions, but such remedies will not be sought as a means to avoid or stay arbitration.

#### XV. Termination

The Broker will suspend or terminate its offer and sale of Shares upon the request of the Company or the Managing Dealer at any time and will resume its offer and sale of Shares hereunder upon subsequent request of the Company or the Managing Dealer. Any party may terminate this Agreement by written notice. Such termination shall be effective forty-eight (48) hours after the mailing of such notice. This Agreement is the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, if any, between the parties hereto.

This Agreement may be amended at any time by the Managing Dealer by written notice to the Broker, and any such amendment shall be deemed accepted by the Broker upon placement of an order for sale of Shares by such Broker's customer after the Broker has received such notice.

This Agreement also may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by vote of a majority of the Company's trustees who are not "interested persons", as defined in the 1940 Act, of the Company and who have no direct or indirect financial interest in the operation of the Company's distribution plan or this Agreement or by vote a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company, on not more than 60 days' written notice to the Managing Dealer or the Advisor. This Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its assignment, as defined in the 1940 Act.

The respective agreements and obligations of the Managing Dealer and Broker set forth in Sections IV, VI, VII, and XIII through XIX of this Agreement shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of the termination of this Agreement.

#### XVI. Use of Company and HPS Names

Except as expressly provided herein, nothing herein shall be deemed to constitute a waiver by the Managing Dealer, the Advisor and/or their respective affiliates of any consent that would otherwise be required under this Agreement or applicable law prior to the use of Broker of the name or identifying marks of the Company, the Managing Dealer, or "HPS" (or any combination or derivation thereof, including any name adopted in the future). The respective parties reserve the right to withdraw their consent to the use of the Company's name at any time and to request to review any materials generated by the Broker that use the Company's or HPS's name or mark. Any such consent is expressly subject to the continuation of this Agreement and shall terminate with the termination of this Agreement as provided herein.

#### XVII.Notice

Notices and other writings contemplated by this Agreement shall be delivered via (i) hand, (ii) first class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, (iii) a nationally recognized overnight courier, or (iv) electronic mail. All such notices shall be addressed, as follows:

If to the Managing Dealer:	HPS Securities, LLC 40 West 57th Street, 33rd Floor New York, NY 10019
If to the Advisor:	HPS Advisors, LLC 40 West 57 <sup>th</sup> Street, 33 <sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10019
If to the Company:	HPS Corporate Lending Fund c/o HPS Advisors, LLC 40 West 57 <sup>th</sup> Street, 33 <sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10019
If to Broker:	To the address specified by the Broker herein.

## XVIII.Attorney's Fees and Applicable Law

In any action to enforce the provisions of this Agreement or to secure damages for its breach, the prevailing party shall recover its costs and reasonable attorney's fees. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of New York and shall take effect when signed by the Broker and countersigned by the Managing Dealer. Venue for any action (including arbitration) shall lie exclusively in New York.

#### XIX. No Partnership

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted to constitute the Broker as an employee, agent or representative of, or in association with or in partnership with, the Managing Dealer, the Company or the other Brokers; instead, this Agreement shall only constitute the Broker as a Broker authorized by the Managing Dealer to sell the Shares according to the terms set forth in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus as amended and supplemented and in this Agreement.

#### XX. Changes; Amendments

Except as specifically provided in this Section XX, this Agreement may be changed or amended only by written instrument signed by all parties.

In the event of a change in law, regulation or other regulatory guidance which affects this Agreement, Broker authorizes the Managing Dealer to amend this Agreement in order to comply with the requirements of any such law, regulation or other regulatory guidance. Broker agrees that such amendment shall automatically become effective upon the execution of the first transaction Broker or its Customer executes with the Company thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the amendment (or sooner, if required to comply with applicable law and that the amendment shall not require the signature of Broker in order to be effective).

## XXI. Entire Agreement

This Agreement (including any Schedules and Exhibits hereto) are the entire agreement of the parties and supersede all prior agreements, if any, relating to the subject matter hereof between the parties hereto.

### XXII. Successors and Assigns

No party shall assign this Agreement or any right, interest or benefit under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Managing Dealer, the Advisor and Broker and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

#### XXIII. Severability.

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed in all respects as if such invalid or unenforceable provision was omitted.

## XXIV. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts. Each counterpart, when executed and delivered, shall be an original contract, but all counterparts, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement, including all exhibits. Each party may execute this Agreement by applying an electronic signature using DocuSign or any similar electronic signature program and acknowledges, agrees and confirms that the use of such an electronic signature program (a) shall result in a reliable and valid delivery of such party's signature to this Agreement; and (b) shall constitute reasonable steps on the part of the other party to this Agreement to verify the reliability of such signature.

## THE MANAGING DEALER:

HPS SECURITIES, LLC

Date:

We have read the foregoing Agreement and we hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions therein set forth. We hereby represent that the list below of jurisdictions in which we are registered or licensed as a broker or Broker and are fully authorized to sell securities is true and correct, and we agree to advise you of any change in such list during the term of this Agreement.

1. IDENTITY OF BROKER:	
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Date:

Company Name:		
Type of entity:		
Organized in the State of:	, Partnership	or Proprietorship)
Licensed as broker-dealer in all States:	Yes	No
If no, list all States licensed as broker-dealer: Tax ID #:		
2. Person to receive notices delivered pursuant t	o the Selecte	d Intermediary Agreement.
Name:		
Company:		
Address:		
City, State and		
Zip:		
Telephone:		
Fax:		
Email:		
AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY THE BRC	KER:	
(Broker's Firm	Name)	
By: Signature		
Name:		
Title:		

### SCHEDULE I ADDENDUM TO SELECTED INTERMEDIARY AGREEMENT WITH HPS SECURITIES, LLC

#### Name of Broker:

The following reflects the transaction or other fee arrangements and shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees as agreed upon between HPS Securities, LLC (the "<u>Managing Dealer</u>") and Broker, effective as of the effective date of the Selected Intermediary Agreement (the "<u>Agreement</u>") between the Managing Dealer and Broker in connection with the offering of Shares of HPS Corporate Lending Fund (the "<u>Company</u>"). Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Agreement.

#### **Brokerage Transaction Fee**

Broker may charge a transaction or other fee, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, on sales of Shares, as set forth in "Share Class Election" below, to the extent the Prospectus discloses that such brokerage commissions or fees may be charged for the relevant class of Shares. Broker represents that Broker is acting solely as an agent for its customers with respect to their purchase or sale of Shares and is not acting for Broker's own account. Any transaction or other fee, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, charged by Broker in connection with its sale of Shares will be charged in a manner consistent with the Prospectus and applicable law and FINRA rules. Purchases and sales of such Shares may only be executed as purchases or repurchases between the customer and the Fund. Broker shall not execute trades of Shares between customers.

#### Terms and Conditions of the Shareholder Servicing and/or Distribution Fees.

The payment of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee to Broker is subject to terms and conditions set forth herein and the Prospectus as may be amended or supplemented from time to time. If Broker elects to sell Class S shares, Class F shares and/or Class D shares, eligibility to receive the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee with respect to the Class S shares, Class F shares and/or Class D shares, as applicable, sold by the Broker is conditioned upon the Broker acting as broker of record with respect to such Shares and complying with the requirements set forth below, including providing shareholder and account maintenance services with respect to such Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, such services are non-distribution services, other than those primarily intended to result in the sale of Shares.

(i) the existence of an effective Selected Intermediary Agreement or ongoing Servicing Agreement between the Managing Dealer and the Broker, and

(ii) the provision of the following services with respect to the Class S shares, Class F shares and/or Class D shares, as applicable, by the Broker:

1. assistance with recordkeeping, including maintaining records for and on behalf of Broker's customers reflecting transactions and balances of Shares owned,

- 2. answering investor inquiries regarding the Company, including distribution payments and reinvestments,
- 3. helping investors understand their investments upon their request, and
- 4. facilitating tender offer requests.

The Broker hereby represents by its acceptance of each payment of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee that it complies with each of the above requirements and is providing the above-described services.

Subject to the conditions described herein, the Managing Dealer will reallow to Broker the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee in an amount described below, on Class S shares, Class F or Class D shares, as applicable, sold by Broker. To the extent payable, the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee will be payable monthly in arrears as provided in the Prospectus. All determinations regarding the total amount and rate of reallowance of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee, the Broker's compliance with the listed conditions, and/or the portion retained by the Managing Dealer will be made by the Managing Dealer in its sole discretion.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the terms of the Prospectus, at such time as the Broker is no longer the intermediary of record with respect to such Class S, Class F or Class D shares or the Broker no longer satisfies any or all of the conditions set forth above, then Broker's entitlement to the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee related to such Class S, Class F and/or Class D shares, as applicable, shall cease in, and Broker shall not receive the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee for, that month or any portion thereof (i.e., shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees are payable with respect to an entire month without any proration). Intermediary transfers will be made effective as of the start of the first business day of a month.

Thereafter, such shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee may be reallowed to the then-current intermediaries of record of the Class S, Class F and/or Class D shares, as applicable, if any such intermediary of record has been designated (the "Servicing Broker"), to the extent such Servicing Broker has entered into a Selected Intermediary Agreement or similar agreement with the Managing Dealer ("Servicing Agreement") and such Selected Intermediary Agreement or Servicing Broker provides for such reallowance. In this regard, all determinations will be made by the Managing Dealer in good faith in its sole discretion. The Broker is not entitled to any shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee with respect to Class I shares. The Managing Dealer may also reallow some or all of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee to other intermediaries who provide services with respect to the Shares (who shall be considered additional Servicing Brokers) pursuant to a Servicing Agreement with the Managing Dealer to the extent such Servicing Agreement provides for such reallowance and such additional Servicing Broker is in compliance with the terms of such agreement related to such reallowance, in accordance with the terms of such Servicing Agreement.

Unless otherwise disclosed in the Prospectus, at the end of the month in which the Managing Dealer in conjunction with the transfer agent determines that total transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, and shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees paid with respect to any single share held in a shareholder's account would exceed, in the aggregate, 10% of the gross proceeds from the sale of such share (or a lower limit as determined by the Managing Dealer or Broker), the Managing Dealer shall cease receiving the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee on either (i) each such share that would exceed such limit or (ii) all Class S shares, Class F shares and Class D shares in such shareholder's account, in the Managing Dealer's discretion. At the end of such month, the applicable Class S shares, Class F or Class D shares in such shareholder's account will convert into a number of Class I shares (including any fractional shares), with an equivalent aggregate NAV as such Class S, Class F or Class D shares.

In addition, the Company and the Managing Dealer will cease paying the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee on Class S shares, Class F and Class D shares in connection with an Offering upon the earlier to occur of the following: (i) a listing of Class I shares, (ii) the merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another entity, or the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or (iii) the date following the completion of the primary portion of such Offering on which, in the aggregate, underwriting compensation from all sources in connection with such Offering, including transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee and other underwriting compensation, is equal to ten percent (10%) of the gross proceeds from Primary Shares sold in such Offering. For purposes of this <u>Schedule I</u>, the portion of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee accruing with respect to Class S, Class F and Class D shares of the Company's common shares issued (publicly or privately) by the Company during the term of a particular Offering, and not issued pursuant to a prior Offering, shall be underwriting compensation with respect to such particular Offering and not with respect to any other Offering.

#### General

Shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees due to the Broker pursuant to this Agreement will be paid to the Broker within 30 days after receipt by the Managing Dealer. The Broker, in its sole discretion, may authorize Managing Dealer to deposit shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees or other payments due to it pursuant to this Agreement directly to its bank account. If the Broker so elects, the Broker shall provide such deposit authorization and instructions in <u>Schedule II</u> to this Agreement.

The parties hereby agree that the foregoing shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee are not in excess of the usual and customary distributors' or sellers' commission received in the sale of securities similar to the Primary Shares, that the Broker's interest in the Offering is limited to such shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee from the Managing Dealer and the Broker's indemnity referred to in Section 4 of the Managing Dealer Agreement, and that the Company is not liable or responsible for the direct payment of such shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee to the Broker.

Except as otherwise described under "Brokerage Transaction Fee" above, the Broker waives any and all rights to receive compensation, including the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee, until it is paid to and received by the Managing Dealer. Broker acknowledges and agrees that, if the Company pays shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees to the Managing Dealer, the Company is relieved of any obligation for shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees to the Managing Dealer, the Company is relieved of any obligation for shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees the Company may rely on and use the preceding acknowledgement as a defense against any claim by Broker for shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees the Company pays to Managing Dealer but that Managing Dealer fails to remit to Broker. The Broker affirms that the Managing Dealer's liability for the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee receivable from the Company and Broker hereby waives any and all rights to receive any reallowance of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee due until such time as the Managing Dealer is in receipt of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee from the Company.

Notwithstanding the above, Broker affirms that, to the extent that Broker retains transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, as described above under "Brokerage Transaction Fee," neither the Company nor the Managing Dealer shall have liability for such brokerage commission or other transaction based fee payable to the Broker, and the Broker is solely responsible for retaining the brokerage commissions or other similar transaction based fees due to the Broker from the subscription funds received by the Broker from its customers for the purchase of Shares in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Broker will not be entitled to receive any transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, or shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee which would cause the aggregate amount of transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, transaction based fees, shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees and other forms of underwriting compensation (as defined in accordance with applicable FINRA rules) paid from any source in connection with this Offering to exceed ten percent (10.0%) of the gross proceeds raised from the sale of Shares in the Offering.

Broker shall furnish Managing Dealer and the Company with such information as shall reasonably be requested by the Company with respect to the fees paid to Broker pursuant to this Schedule A, and Broker shall notify Managing Dealer if Broker is not eligible to receive transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, shareholder servicing and/or distribution fees at the time of purchase.

## **Due Diligence**

In addition, as set forth in the Prospectus, the Managing Dealer or, in certain cases at the option of the Company, the Company, will pay or reimburse the Broker for reasonable *bona fide* due diligence expenses incurred by the Broker in connection with the Offering. Such due diligence expenses may include customary travel, lodging, meals and other reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Broker and its personnel when visiting the Company's offices verify information relating to the Company. The Broker shall provide a detailed and itemized invoice for any such due diligence expenses and shall obtain the prior written approval from the Managing Dealer for such expenses, and no such expenses shall be reimbursed absent a detailed and itemized invoice being sent to []. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such payment will be made if such payment would cause the aggregate of such reimbursements to Broker and other brokers, together with all other organization and offering expenses, defined under Omnibus Guidelines and FINRA rules, to exceed ten percent (10%) and fifteen percent (15%) of the Company's gross proceeds from the Offering. All such reimbursements will be made in accordance with, and subject to the restrictions and limitations imposed under the Prospectus, FINRA rules and other applicable laws and regulations.

### Share Class Election

CHECK EACH APPLICABLE BOX BELOW IF THE BROKER ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LISTED SHARE CLASS

□ Class S Shares □ Class D Shares □ Class I Shares □ Class F Shares

The following reflects the transaction or other fee, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, arrangement and shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee as agreed upon between the Managing Dealer and the Broker for the applicable Share Class.

(Initials)	No upfront selling commission but intermediaries may charge transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, up to 3.5% of the NAV per Class S share sold in the Offering	By initialing here, the Broker hereby agrees to the terms of the Agreement and this <u>Schedule I</u> with respect to the Class S shares.
(Initials)	Shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee of 0.85% per annum of the aggregate NAV of outstanding Class S shares as of the beginning of the first calendar day of each month	By initialing here, the Broker agrees to the terms of eligibility for the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee set forth in this Schedule I with respect to Class S shares. Should the Broker choose to opt out of this provision, it will not be eligible to receive the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee with respect to Class S shares and initialing is not necessary. The Broker represents by its acceptance of each payment of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee that it complies with each of the above requirements.
(Initials)	No upfront selling commission but intermediaries may charge transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, up to 2.0% of the NAV per Class D share sold in the Offering	By initialing here, the Broker hereby agrees to the terms of the Agreement and this <u>Schedule I</u> with respect to the Class D shares.
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(Initials)	Shareholder servicing fee of 0.25% per annum of the aggregate NAV of outstanding Class D shares as of the beginning of the first calendar day of each month	By initialing here, the Broker agrees to the terms of eligibility for the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee set forth in this Schedule I with respect to Class D shares. Should the Broker choose to opt out of this provision, it will not be eligible to receive the shareholder servicing fee with respect to Class D shares and initialing is not necessary. The Broker represents by its acceptance of each payment of the shareholder servicing fee that it complies with each of the above requirements.
(Initials)	No upfront selling commission but intermediaries may charge transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, up to 2.0% of the NAV per Class F share sold in the Offering	By initialing here, the Broker hereby agrees to the terms of the Agreement and this Schedule I with respect to the Class F shares.

(Initials)

Shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee of 0.50% per annum of the aggregate NAV of outstanding Class F shares as of the beginning of the first calendar day of each month By initialing here, the Broker agrees to the terms of eligibility for the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee set forth in this Schedule I with respect to Class F shares. Should the Broker choose to opt out of this provision, it will not be eligible to receive the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee with respect to Class F shares and initialing is not necessary. The Broker represents by its acceptance of each payment of the shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee that it complies with each of the above requirements. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Addendum to be executed as of the date first written above.

## "MANAGING DEALER"

## HPS SECURITIES, LLC

By:

Name:

Title:

"BROKER"

(Print Name of Broker)

By:

## SCHEDULE II TO SELECTED INTERMEDIARY AGREEMENT WITH HPS SECURITIES, LLC

## NAME OF ISSUER:

#### HPS CORPORATE LENDING FUND

# NAME OF BROKER:

## SCHEDULE TO AGREEMENT DATED:

Broker hereby authorizes the Managing Dealer or its agent to deposit shareholder servicing and/or distribution fee and other payments due to it pursuant to the Selected Intermediary Agreement to its bank account specified below. This authority will remain in force until Broker notifies the Managing Dealer in writing to cancel it. In the event that the Managing Dealer deposits funds erroneously into Broker's account, the Managing Dealer is authorized to debit the account with no prior notice to Broker for an amount not to exceed the amount of the erroneous deposit.

Bank Name:

Bank Address:

Bank Routing Number:

Account Number:

"BROKER"

(Print Name of Broker)

By:

Name:			
Title:			
Date:			

## SCHEDULE III TO SELECTED INTERMEDIARY AGREEMENT WITH HPS SECURITIES, LLC

## [Jurisdictions]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Addendum to be executed as of the date first written above.

## "MANAGING DEALER"

HPS SECURITIES, LLC

By:

Name:

Title:

"BROKER"

(Print Name of Broker)

By:

Name:	
Title:	

# ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

## BETWEEN

#### HPS CORPORATE LENDING FUND

#### AND

## HPS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, LLC

This Administration Agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of July 1, 2025 by and between HPS Corporate Lending Fund, a Delaware statutory trust (the "<u>Fund</u>"), and HPS Investment Partners, LLC, a Delaware limited partnership (the "<u>Administrator</u>").

WHEREAS, the Fund is a closed-end management investment fund that has elected to be treated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Fund desires to retain the Administrator to provide administrative services to the Fund in the manner and on the terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is willing to provide administrative services to the Fund on the terms and conditions hereafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants hereinafter contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Fund and the Administrator hereby agree as follows:

### 1. Duties of the Administrator.

(a) Employment of Administrator. The Fund hereby retains the Administrator to act as administrator of the Fund, and to furnish, or arrange for others to furnish, the administrative services, personnel and facilities described below, subject to review by and the overall control of the Board of Trustees of the Fund (the "Board"), for the period and on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Administrator hereby accepts such retention and agrees during such period to render, or arrange for the rendering of, such services and to assume the obligations herein set forth subject to the reimbursement of costs and expenses provided for below. The Administrator shall for all purposes herein be deemed to be an independent contractor and shall, unless otherwise expressly provided or authorized herein, have no authority to act for or represent the Fund in any way or otherwise be deemed an agent of the Fund.

(b) <u>Services</u>. The Administrator shall perform (or oversee, or arrange for, the performance of) the administrative and compliance services necessary for the operation of the Fund, including, but not limited to, maintaining financial records, filing of the Fund's tax returns, overseeing the calculation of the Fund's net asset value, compliance monitoring (including diligence and oversight of the Fund's other service providers), preparing reports to the Fund's shareholders and reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>SEC</u>") and other regulators, preparing materials and coordinating meetings of the Board, managing the payment of expenses, the payment and receipt of funds for investments and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered by others, providing office space, equipment and office services, and such other services as the Administrator, subject to review by the Board, shall from time to time determine to be necessary or useful to perform its obligations under this

Agreement. The Administrator shall also, on behalf of the Fund, conduct relations with sub-administrators, custodians, depositories, depositaries, transfer agents, escrow agents, dividend disbursing agents, other shareholder servicing agents, accountants, attorneys, underwriters, brokers and dealers, corporate fiduciaries, insurers, banks and such other persons in any such other capacity deemed to be necessary or desirable in fulfilling its administrative duties. The Administrator shall make reports to the Board of its performance of its obligations hereunder and furnish advice and recommendations with respect to such other aspects of the business and affairs of the Fund as it shall determine to be desirable; provided that nothing herein shall be construed to require the Administrator to, and the Administrator shall not, in its capacity as Administrator pursuant to this Agreement, provide any advice or recommendation relating to the securities and other assets that the Fund should purchase, retain or sell or any other investment advisory services to the Fund. HPS Advisors, LLC, the Fund's investment adviser (the "Adviser"), and the Administrator may provide on the Fund's behalf significant managerial assistance to those portfolio companies that request such assistance. For the avoidance of any doubt, the parties agree that the Administrator is authorized to enter into sub-administration agreements as the Administrator determines necessary in order to carry out the services set forth in this paragraph, subject to the prior approval of the Board.

2. <u>Records</u>. The Administrator agrees to maintain and keep all books, accounts and other records of the Fund that relate to activities performed by the Administrator hereunder and will maintain and keep such books, accounts and records in accordance with the Investment Company Act. The Administrator may delegate the foregoing responsibility to a third party with the consent of the Board, subject to the oversight of the Administrator and the Fund. In compliance with the requirements of Rule 31a-3 under the Investment Company Act, the Administrator agrees that all records which it or its delegate maintains for the Fund shall at all times remain the property of the Fund, shall be readily accessible during normal business hours, and shall be promptly surrendered upon the termination of the Agreement or otherwise on written request. The Administrator further agrees that all records which it or its delegate maintains for the Fund pursuant to Rule 31a-1 under the Investment Company Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the Investment Company Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the Investment Company Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the Investment Company Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the Investment Company Act unless any such records are earlier surrendered as provided above. Records shall be surrendered in usable machine-readable form. The Administrator shall have the right to retain copies of such records subject to observance of its confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.

**3.** <u>Confidentiality</u>. The parties hereto agree that each shall treat all information provided by each party to the other regarding its business and operations. All confidential information provided by a party hereto, including nonpublic personal information (regulated pursuant to Regulation S-P), shall be used by any other party hereto solely for the purpose of rendering services pursuant to this Agreement and, except as may be required in carrying out this Agreement, shall not be disclosed to any third party, without the prior consent of such providing party. The foregoing shall not be applicable to any information that is publicly available when provided or thereafter becomes publicly available other than through a breach of this Agreement, or that is required to be disclosed by any regulatory authority, any authority or legal counsel of the parties hereto, by judicial or administrative process or otherwise by applicable law or regulation.

4. <u>Compensation; Allocation of Costs and Expenses</u>. In full consideration of the provision of the services of the Administrator, the Fund shall reimburse the Administrator for the costs and expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations, including the Fund's allocable portion of the costs and expenses of providing personnel and facilities hereunder, except as otherwise provided herein and in that certain Investment Advisory Agreement, by and between the Fund and the Adviser, as amended from time to time (the "Advisory Agreement").

Except as specifically provided herein or otherwise in the Advisory Agreement, the Fund anticipates that all investment professionals and staff of the Adviser, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory services to the Fund, and the base compensation, bonus and benefits, and the routine overhead expenses, of such personnel allocable to such services, will be provided and paid for by the Adviser. The Fund will bear all other costs and expenses of the Fund's operations, administration and transactions, including, but not limited to:

(a) investment advisory fees, including management fees and incentive fees, paid to the Adviser pursuant to the Advisory Agreement;

(b) the Fund's allocable portion of compensation, salaries, bonuses, benefits, overhead (including rent, office equipment and utilities) and other expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its administrative obligations under this Agreement, including but not limited to: (i) the Fund's chief compliance officer, chief financial officer and their respective staffs; (ii) investor relations, legal, operations and other non-investment professionals at the Administrator that perform duties for the Fund; and (iii) any internal audit group personnel of HPS Investment Partners, LLC or any of its affiliates; provided, that such expenses shall exclude, for the avoidance of doubt, (1) rent or depreciation, utilities, capital equipment and other administrative items of the Administrator, and (2) salaries, fringe benefits, travel expenses and other administrative items incurred or allocated to any "Controlling Person" (as defined in the North American Securities Administrators Association's Omnibus Guidelines Statement of Policy, as amended from time to time) of the Administrator; and

(c) all other expenses of the Fund's operations, administration and transactions including, without limitation, those relating to:

(i) organization and offering expenses associated with this offering (including legal, accounting, printing, mailing, subscription processing and filing fees and expenses and other offering expenses, including costs associated with technology integration between the Fund's systems and those of the Fund's participating broker-dealers, reasonable bona fide due diligence expenses of participating broker-dealers supported by detailed and itemized invoices, costs in connection with preparing sales materials and other marketing expenses, design and website expenses, fees and expenses of the Fund's escrow agent and transfer agent, fees to attend retail seminars sponsored by participating broker-dealers and costs, expenses and reimbursements for travel, meals, accommodations, entertainment and other similar expenses related to meetings or events with prospective investors, broker-dealers, registered investment advisors or financial or other advisors, but excluding the shareholder servicing fee);

(ii) all taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, retainers and/or other payments of accountants, legal counsel, advisors (including tax advisors), administrators, auditors (including with respect to any additional auditing required under The Directive 2011/61/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on Alternative Investment Fund Managers and any applicable legislation implemented by an EEA Member state in connection with such Directive (the "AIFMD"), investment bankers, administrative agents, paying agents, depositaries, custodians, trustees, sub-custodians, consultants (including individuals consulted through expert network consulting firms), engineers, senior advisors, industry experts, operating partners, deal sourcers (including personnel dedicated to but not employed by the Administrator or its affiliates in the credit-focused business of HPS Investment Partners, LLC), and other professionals (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the costs and charges allocable with respect to the provision of internal legal, tax, accounting, technology or other services and professionals related thereto (including secondees and temporary personnel or consultants that may be engaged on short- or long-term arrangements) as deemed appropriate by the Administrator, with the oversight of the Board,

where such internal personnel perform services that would be paid by the Fund if outside service providers provided the same services); fees, costs, and expenses herein include (x) costs, expenses and fees for hours spent by its in-house attorneys and tax advisors that provide transactional legal advice and/or services to the Fund or its portfolio companies on matters related to potential or actual investments and transactions and the ongoing operations of the Fund and (y) expenses and fees to provide administrative and accounting services to the Fund or its portfolio companies, and expenses, charges and/or related costs incurred directly by the Fund or affiliates in connection with such services (including overhead related thereto), in each case, (I) that are specifically charged or specifically allocated or attributed by the Administrator, with the oversight of the Board, to the Fund or its portfolio companies and (II) provided that any such amounts shall not be greater than what would be paid to an unaffiliated third party for substantially similar advice and/or services);

(iii) the cost of calculating the Fund's net asset value, including the cost of any third-party valuation services;

(iv) the cost of effecting any sales and repurchases of the Fund's common shares of beneficial interest and other securities;

(v) fees and expenses payable under any dealer manager and selected dealer agreements, if any;

(vi) interest and fees and expenses arising out of all borrowings, guarantees and other financings or derivative transactions (including interest, fees and related legal expenses) made or entered into by the Fund, including, but not limited to, the arranging thereof and related legal expenses;

(vii) all fees, costs and expenses of any loan servicers and other service providers and of any custodians, lenders, investment banks and other financing sources;

(viii) costs incurred in connection with the formation or maintenance of entities or vehicles to hold the Fund's assets for tax or other purposes;

(ix) costs of derivatives and hedging;

(x) expenses, including travel, entertainment, lodging and meal expenses, incurred by the Adviser, or members of its investment team, or payable to third parties, in evaluating, developing, negotiating, structuring and performing due diligence on prospective portfolio companies, including such expenses related to potential investments that were not consummated, and, if necessary, enforcing the Fund's rights;

(xi) expenses (including the allocable portions of compensation and out-of-pocket expenses such as travel expenses) or an appropriate portion thereof of employees of the Adviser or its affiliates to the extent such expenses relate to attendance at meetings of the Board or any committees thereof;

(xii) all fees, costs and expenses, if any, incurred by or on behalf of the Fund in developing, negotiating and structuring prospective or potential investments that are not ultimately made, including, without limitation any legal, tax, administrative, accounting, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment, advisory, consulting and printing expenses, reverse termination fees and any liquidated damages, commitment fees that become payable in connection with any proposed investment that is not ultimately made, forfeited deposits or similar payments;

(xiii) the allocated costs incurred by the Adviser and the Administrator in providing managerial assistance to those portfolio companies that request it;

(xiv) all brokerage costs, hedging costs, prime brokerage fees, custodial expenses, agent bank and other bank service fees; private placement fees, commissions, appraisal fees, commitment fees and underwriting costs; costs and expenses of any lenders, investment banks and other financing sources, and other investment costs, fees and expenses actually incurred in connection with evaluating, making, holding, settling, clearing, monitoring or disposing of actual investments (including, without limitation, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment expenses and any expenses related to attending trade association and/or industry meetings, conferences or similar meetings, any costs or expenses relating to currency conversion in the case of investments denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars) and expenses arising out of trade settlements (including any delayed compensation expenses);

(xv) investment costs, including all fees, costs and expenses incurred in sourcing, evaluating, developing, negotiating, structuring, trading (including trading errors), settling, monitoring and holding prospective or actual investments or investment strategies including, without limitation, any financing, legal, filing, auditing, tax, accounting, compliance, loan administration, travel, meals, accommodations and entertainment, advisory, consulting, engineering, data-related and other professional fees, costs and expenses in connection therewith (to the extent the Adviser is not reimbursed by a prospective or actual issuer of the applicable investment or other third parties or capitalized as part of the acquisition price of the transaction) and any fees, costs and expenses related to the organization or maintenance of any vehicle through which the Fund directly or indirectly participates in the acquisition, holding and/or disposition of investments or which otherwise facilitate the Fund's investment activities, including without limitation any travel and accommodations expenses related to such vehicle and the salary and benefits of any personnel (including personnel of Adviser or its affiliates) reasonably necessary and/or advisable for the maintenance and operation of such vehicle, or other overhead expenses (including any fees, costs and expenses associated with the leasing of office space (which may be made with one or more affiliates of HPS Investment Partners, LLC as lessor in connection therewith));

(xvi) transfer agent, dividend agent and custodial fees;

(xvii) fees and expenses associated with marketing efforts;

(xviii) federal and state registration fees, franchise fees, any stock exchange listing fees and fees payable to rating agencies;

(xix) independent trustees' fees and expenses including reasonable travel, entertainment, lodging and meal expenses, and any legal counsel or other advisors retained by, or at the discretion or for the benefit of, the independent trustees;

(xx) costs of preparing financial statements and maintaining books and records, costs of Sarbanes- Oxley Act of 2002 compliance and attestation and costs of preparing and filing reports or other documents with the SEC, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") and other regulatory bodies and other reporting and compliance costs, including registration and exchange listing and the costs associated with reporting and compliance obligations under the Investment Company Act and any other applicable federal and state securities laws, and the compensation of professionals responsible for the foregoing;

(xxi) all fees, costs and expenses associated with the preparation and issuance of the Fund's periodic reports and related statements (e.g., financial statements and tax returns) and other internal and third-party printing (including a flat service fee), publishing (including time spent performing such printing and publishing services) and reporting-related expenses (including other notices and communications) in respect of the Fund and its activities (including internal expenses, charges and/or related costs incurred, charged or specifically attributed or allocated by the Fund or the Adviser or its affiliates in connection with such provision of services thereby);

(xxii) the costs of any reports, proxy statements or other notices to shareholders (including printing and mailing costs) and the costs of any shareholder or Trustee meetings;

- (xxiii) proxy voting expenses;
- (xxiv) costs associated with an exchange listing;
- (xxv) costs of registration rights granted to certain investors;

(xxvi) any taxes and/or tax-related interest, fees or other governmental charges (including any penalties incurred where the Adviser lacks sufficient information from third parties to file a timely and complete tax return) levied against the Fund and all expenses incurred in connection with any tax audit, investigation, litigation, settlement or review of the Fund and the amount of any judgments, fines, remediation or settlements paid in connection therewith;

(xxvii) all fees, costs and expenses of any litigation, arbitration or audit involving the Fund any vehicle or its portfolio companies and the amount of any judgments, assessments fines, remediations or settlements paid in connection therewith, trustees and officers, liability or other insurance (including costs of title insurance) and indemnification (including advancement of any fees, costs or expenses to persons entitled to indemnification) or extraordinary expense or liability relating to the affairs of the Fund;

(xxviii) all fees, costs and expenses associated with the Fund's information, obtaining and maintaining technology (including the costs of any professional service providers), hardware/software, data-related communication, market data and research (including news and quotation equipment and services and including costs allocated by the Adviser's or its affiliates' internal and third-party research group (which are generally based on time spent, assets under management, usage rates, proportionate holdings or a combination thereof or other reasonable methods determined by the Administrator) and expenses and fees (including compensation costs) charged or specifically attributed or allocated by Adviser and/or its affiliates for data-related services provided to the Fund and/or its portfolio companies (including in connection with prospective investments), each including expenses, charges, fees and/or related costs of an internal nature; provided, that any such expenses, charges or related costs shall not be greater than what would be paid to an unaffiliated third party for substantially similar services) reporting costs (which includes notices and other communications and internally allocated charges), and dues and expenses incurred in connection with membership in industry or trade organizations;

(xxix) the costs of specialty and custom software for monitoring risk, compliance and the overall portfolio, including any development costs incurred prior to the filing of the Fund's election to be treated as a BDC;

(xxx) costs associated with individual or group shareholders;

(xxxi) fidelity bond, trustees and officers errors and omissions liability insurance and other insurance premiums;

(xxxii) direct costs and expenses of administration, including printing, mailing, long distance telephone, copying and secretarial and other aff:

staff;

(xxxiii) all fees, costs and expenses of winding up and liquidating the Fund's assets;

(xxxiv) extraordinary expenses (such as litigation or indemnification);

(xxxv) all fees, costs and expenses related to compliance-related matters (such as developing and implementing specific policies and procedures in order to comply with certain regulatory requirements) and regulatory filings; notices or disclosures related to the Fund's activities (including, without limitation, expenses relating to the preparation and filing of filings required under the Securities Act, TIC Form SLT filings, Internal Revenue Service filings under FATCA and FBAR reporting requirements applicable to the Fund or reports to be filed with the CFTC, reports, disclosures, filings and notifications prepared in connection with the laws and/or regulations of jurisdictions in which the Fund engages in activities, including any notices, reports and/or filings required under the AIFMD, European Securities and Markets Authority and any related regulations, and other regulatory filings, notices or disclosures of the Adviser relating to the Fund and its affiliates relating to the Fund, and their activities) and/or other regulatory filings, notices or disclosures of the Adviser and its affiliates relating to the Fund including those pursuant to applicable disclosure laws and expenses relating to FOIA requests, but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any expenses incurred for general compliance and regulatory matters that are not related to the Fund and its activities;

(xxxvi) costs and expenses (including travel) in connection with the diligence and oversight of the Fund's service providers;

(xxxvii) costs and expenses, including travel, meals, accommodations, entertainment and other similar expenses, incurred by the Adviser or its affiliates for meetings with existing investors and any broker-dealers, registered investment advisors, financial and other advisors representing such existing investors; and

(xxxviii) all other expenses incurred by the Administrator in connection with administering the Fund's business.

From time to time, the Adviser and the Administrator or their affiliates may pay third-party providers of goods or services. The Fund will reimburse the Adviser, the Administrator or such affiliates thereof for any such amounts paid on the Fund's behalf. From time to time, the Adviser or the Administrator may defer or waive fees and/or rights to be reimbursed for expenses.

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All of the foregoing expenses will ultimately be borne by the Fund's shareholders.

Costs and expenses of the Administrator and the Adviser that are eligible for reimbursement by the Fund will be reasonably allocated to the Fund on the basis of time spent, assets under management, usage rates, proportionate holdings, a combination thereof or other reasonable methods determined by the Administrator.

5. Limit of Liability. The Administrator and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it (the "Indemnified Parties") shall not be liable for any error of judgment or mistake of law or for any act or omission or any loss suffered by the Fund in connection with the matters to which this Agreement relates, provided that the Administrator shall not be protected against any liability to the Fund or its shareholders to which the Administrator would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence on its part in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations ("disabling conduct"). An Indemnified Party may consult with counsel and accountants in respect of the Fund's affairs and shall be fully protected and justified in any action or inaction which is taken in accordance with the advice or opinion of such counsel and accountants; provided, that such counsel or accountants were selected with reasonable care. Absent disabling conduct, the Fund will indemnify the Indemnified Parties against, and hold them harmless from, any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of the Administrator's services under this Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Fund. The Indemnified Parties shall not be liable under this Agreement or otherwise for any loss due to the mistake, action, inaction, negligence, dishonesty, fraud or bad faith of any broker or other agent; provided, that such broker or other agent shall have been selected, engaged or retained and monitored by the Administrator in good faith, unless such action or inaction was made by reason of disabling conduct, or in the case of a criminal action or proceeding, where the Administrator had reasonable cause to believe its conduct was unlawful.

Indemnification shall be made only following: (i) a final decision on the merits by a court or other body before which the proceeding was brought that the Indemnified Party was not liable by reason of disabling conduct or (ii) in the absence of such a decision, a reasonable determination, based upon a review of the facts, that the Indemnified Party was not liable by reason of disabling conduct by (a) the vote of a majority of a quorum of trustees of the Fund who are neither "interested persons" of the Fund nor parties to the proceeding ("disinterested non-party trustees") or (b) an independent legal counsel in a written opinion.

An Indemnified Party shall be entitled to advances from the Fund for payment of the reasonable expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) incurred by it in connection with the matter as to which it is seeking indemnification in the manner and to the fullest extent permissible under law. Prior to any such advance, the Indemnified Party shall provide to the Fund a written affirmation of its good faith belief that the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the Fund has been met and a written undertaking to repay any such advance if it should ultimately be determined that the standard of conduct has not been met. In addition, at least one of the following additional conditions shall be met: (a) the Indemnified Party shall provide a security in form and amount acceptable to the Fund for its undertaking; (b) the Fund is insured against losses arising by reason of the advance; or (c) a majority of a quorum of disinterested non-party trustees or independent legal counsel, in a written opinion, shall have determined, based on a review of facts readily available to the Fund at the time the advance is proposed to be made, that there is reason to believe that the Indemnified Party will ultimately be found to be entitled to indemnification.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5 to the contrary, the Fund shall not provide for indemnification of an Indemnified Party for any liability or loss suffered by an Indemnified Party, nor shall the Fund provide that any of the Indemnified Parties be held harmless for any loss or liability suffered by the Fund, unless all of the following conditions are met:

(i) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that the course of conduct that caused the loss or liability was in the best interests of the Fund;

(ii) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that the Indemnified Party was acting on behalf of or performing services for the Fund;

(iii) the Fund has determined, in good faith, that such liability or loss was not the result of (A) negligence or misconduct, in the case that the Indemnified Party is the Administrator or an Affiliate (as defined in the Fund's Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust, as may be amended and/or restated from time to time, the "Declaration of Trust") of the Administrator, or (B) gross negligence or willful misconduct, in the case that the Indemnified Party is a trustee of the Fund who is not also an officer of the Fund or the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator; and

(iv) such indemnification or agreement to hold harmless is recoverable only out of the Fund's net assets and not from the Fund shareholders.

6. <u>Activities of the Administrator</u>. The services of the Administrator to the Fund are not to be deemed to be exclusive, and the Administrator and each affiliate is free to render services to others. It is understood that trustees, officers, employees and shareholders of the Fund are or may become interested in the Administrator and its affiliates, as trustees, officers, members, managers, employees, partners, shareholders or otherwise, and that the Administrator and trustees, officers, members, managers, employees, partners of the Administrator and its affiliates are or may become similarly interested in the Fund as shareholders or otherwise.

#### 7. Duration and Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above. This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, on 120 days' written notice, by the Fund or by the Administrator. The provisions of Section 5 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Administrator shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement. Further, notwithstanding the termination or expiration of this Agreement as aforesaid, the Administrator shall be entitled to any amounts owed under Section 4 through the date of termination or expiration, and Section 5 shall continue in force and effect and apply to the Administrator and its representatives as and to the extent applicable.

(b) This Agreement shall continue in effect for one year from the date of this Agreement and thereafter shall continue automatically for successive annual periods, provided that such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (i) the vote of the Board, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund and (ii) the vote of a majority of the Fund's Board of Trustees who are not parties to this Agreement or "interested persons" (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act) of any such party, in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

(c) This Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its "assignment" (as such term is defined for purposes of Section 15(a)(4) of the Investment Company Act).

8. Amendments of this Agreement. This Agreement may be amended pursuant to a written instrument by mutual consent of the parties.

9. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed as being inconsistent with the Investment Company Act.

10. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and arrangements with respect to the subject matter hereof.

11. Notices. Any notice under this Agreement shall be given in writing, addressed and delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, to the other party at its principal office.

## HPS CORPORATE LENDING FUND

By: /s/ Robert Busch Name: Robert Busch

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer

# HPS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, LLC

By: /s/ Faith Rosenfeld Name: Faith Rosenfeld

Title: Chief Administrative Officer

[Signature Page to Administration Agreement]

### **BlackRock Completes Acquisition of HPS Investment Partners**

NEW YORK – July 1, 2025 – BlackRock, Inc. (NYSE: BLK) and HPS Investment Partners (HPS) today announced the successful completion of BlackRock's acquisition of HPS.

Private credit is reshaping financial markets and the structural trends supporting its growth have accelerated the convergence of public and private markets. Financing activity is being shifted toward the capital markets, positioning asset managers to match long-dated capital with long-term investors, including insurance companies, pensions, sovereign wealth funds, wealth managers, and individuals saving for retirement.

With the addition of HPS, BlackRock is now positioned to more fully meet the accelerating client demands resulting from this shift, providing clients and borrowers access to integrated, best-in-class solutions at scale. Operating alongside BlackRock's \$3 trillion public fixed income franchise, which includes the Fundamental Fixed Income business, led by Rick Rieder, as well as the Financial Institutions Group, led by Peter Gailliot, the addition of HPS's capabilities into a combined platform allows BlackRock to stay ahead of market evolution and client need, as they increasingly look past traditional distinctions of "public" and "private" in accessing credit markets.

To fully capture the opportunities created by this combination, BlackRock is creating Private Financing Solutions (PFS), which will combine the firms' market-leading private credit, GP and LP solutions, and private and liquid CLO businesses into one integrated platform.

Together, PFS will advance BlackRock's ability to create a more seamless experience for investors and borrowers, while offering a platform that is well equipped to identify and execute on a broad array of opportunities created by this market evolution. The combined PFS team will be led by Scott Kapnick, Scot French, and Michael Patterson. HPS's flagship strategies, including HPS Strategic Investment Partners (SIP), HPS Specialty Loan Fund (SLF), HPS Core Senior Lending Fund (CSL), and HPS Corporate Lending Fund (HLEND), and other investment strategies, will maintain their HPS branding, and the HPS business will now be known as HPS, a part of BlackRock.

- Core to PFS will be an integrated private credit franchise with \$190 billion in client assets and a platform to provide both public and private income solutions for clients.
- The GP/LP business plays an important role in helping private markets firms and investors navigate today's market environment through capital formation and liquidity solutions. Aligning BlackRock and HPS's existing GP/LP businesses within the PFS structure will allow the firm to deepen relationships with sponsors and investors, delivering bespoke solutions across the platform, and partnering to resolve their most pressing needs.

"BlackRock has always looked at the full breadth of our clients' needs in everything we do. Through this combination, we are more strongly positioned to serve our clients, globally and locally, through our One BlackRock culture, with solutions that seamlessly blend public and private," said Laurence **D. Fink, BlackRock Chairman and CEO**. "The creation of PFS means that we can answer far more client needs with far fewer calls, creating a comprehensive solutions provider for clients and borrowers alike. We are excited to realize the potential of this platform and thrilled to have Scott, Scot, Mike and the talented HPS team join us on this journey."

"We are thrilled to join BlackRock and lift the HPS success story to a new level. Current opportunities in the private credit markets are enormous and successfully navigating them will require entrepreneurial drive, disciplined risk management, global reach and a powerful platform to originate the most compelling transactions. BlackRock Private Financing Solutions will deliver all these success factors to our clients, investors, shareholders and employees. We are ready and excited to hit the ground running," said **Scott Kapnick, Chief Executive Officer of HPS**.

Scott Kapnick will be an observer to the BlackRock Board of Directors.

Perella Weinberg Partners LP served as lead financial advisor to BlackRock. Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC also served as financial advisor, with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP and Clifford Chance LLP acting as legal counsel. J.P. Morgan Securities LLC served as lead financial advisor to HPS, with Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, BofA Securities, Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., BNP Paribas, and RBC Capital Markets acting as co-financial advisors and Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP serving as legal counsel.

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