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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**COMMISSIONERS: Lina M. Khan, Chair
Rebecca Kelly Slaughter
Alvaro M. Bedoya
Melissa Holyoak
Andrew N. Ferguson**

In the matter of

**H&R BLOCK INC.,
a corporation,**

**HRB DIGITAL LLC,
a limited liability company, and**

**HRB TAX GROUP, INC.,
a corporation.**

DOCKET NO. 9427

**JOINT MOTION TO WITHDRAW MATTER FROM ADJUDICATION FOR THE
PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING A PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to Rules 3.25(b) and (c) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(b), (c), Complaint Counsel and Respondents H&R Block Inc., HRB Digital LLC, and HRB Tax Group, Inc., jointly move the Commission to withdraw this matter from adjudication under Docket No. 9427 for the purpose of the Commission’s consideration of a proposed consent agreement, which conforms to the requirements of Commission Rule of Practice 2.32, 16 C.F.R. § 2.32, has been fully executed by Complaint Counsel and Respondents, and approved by the Bureau of Consumer Protection. The proposed consent agreement would resolve the matter before the Commission in its entirety. Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that this matter be removed from adjudication until December 20, 2024, with all proceedings before the Administrative Law Judge stayed, so that the Commission may consider the proposed consent agreement.

Dated: October 21, 2024

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**[PROPOSED] ORDER WITHDRAWING MATTER FROM ADJUDICATION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING A PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Complaint Counsel and Respondents, H&R Block Inc., HRB Digital LLC, and HRB Tax Group, Inc. (collectively, "Respondents"), having jointly moved that this matter be withdrawn from adjudication in order to enable the Commission to consider a proposed consent agreement;

Complaint Counsel and Respondents, having submitted a proposed Consent Agreement containing a proposed Decision and Order, executed by Respondents and Complaint Counsel and approved by the Director of the Bureau of Consumer Protection that, if accepted by the Commission, would resolve the claims against Respondents in their entirety;

IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Rule 3.25(c) of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(c), that all claims against Respondents are hereby withdrawn in their entirety from adjudication until December 20, 2024, and that all proceedings before the Administrative Law Judge in this matter are hereby stayed pending a determination by the Commission with respect to the proposed Consent Agreement, pursuant to Rule 3.25(f), 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(f); and

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Rule 3.25(b) of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(b), that the proposed Consent Agreement shall not be placed on the public record unless and until it is accepted by the Commission.

By the Commission.

April S. Tabor
Secretary

SEAL:
ISSUED:

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CONFIDENTIAL CONSENT AGREEMENT

REDACTED IN ENTIRETY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 21, 2024, I filed the foregoing Joint Motion to Withdraw Matter From Adjudication for the Purpose of Considering a Proposed Consent Agreement electronically using the FTC's E-Filing system, and I caused courtesy copies to be sent via email to:

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I further certify that on October 21, 2024, I caused the foregoing document to be served via email on:

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