

REGISTIN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF 0989705 B.C. LTD., ALDERBRIDGE WAY GP LTD., and ALDERBRIDGE WAY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

PETITIONERS

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Name of applicant: The Bowra Group Inc. ("TBGI") in its capacity as Monitor (the "Monitor") of Alderbridge Way GP Ltd., Alderbridge Way Limited Partnership and 0989705 B.C. Ltd. (collectively the "Companies" or the "Petitioners").

To: To GBL Architects Inc. and the Service List, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "A"

TAKE NOTICE that an application will be made by the Applicant to the Honourable Madam Justice Fitzpatrick at the courthouse at 800 Smithe Street, Vancouver, B.C. on December 9-21, 2022 at 9:00 11:30 a.m. for the orders set out in **Part 1** below.

Part 1: ORDERS SOUGHT

- 1. An order in substantially the form of draft order attached hereto as <u>Schedule "B"</u> directing GBL Architects Inc. ("GBL") to continue to provide architectural services to the Petitioners in accordance with the Agreement (as defined herein); or
- 2. <u>In the alternative, an order in substantially the form of draft order attached hereto as</u> Schedule "C", among other things:
 - (a) <u>deeming GBL a critical supplier under section 11.4 of the Companies' Creditors</u>

 Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA");
 - (b) <u>directing GBL to continue to provide architectural services to the Petitioners in accordance with the Agreement; and</u>
 - (c) granting GBL a charge (the "GBL Charge") over the Property as security for any amounts which the Petitioners become indebted to GBL for the supply of services after the date of the order.

Part 2: FACTUAL BASIS

BACKGROUND

- 1. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the SARIO.
- 2. GBL was the architect firm engaged to provide architectural services to the Petitioners in respect of the development property at 7960 Alderbridge Way, 5333 and 5411 No. 3 Road, Richmond, British Columbia (the "**Development Project**"), including preparing architectural drawings for the Development Project and assisting in the development permit process.
- 3. The agreement with GBL, dated March 24, 2017 (the "Agreement"), was entered into by South Street Financial Corporation ("South Street") on behalf of the Petitioners. South Street is owned by Sam Hanson and related to the Petitioners.

- 4. All invoices rendered by GBL under the Agreement were issued to Alderbridge Way Limited Partnership (the "LP") and all payments in respect thereof were made directly by the LP to GBL.
- 5. As at the Order Date, GBL was owed \$539,996.94 (the "GBL Claim") under the Agreement. On August 13, 2020, GBL filed a claim of builders lien against the Development Project. On or about August 4, 2021, GBL filed a Notice of Civil Claim in British Columbia Supreme Court Action no. 217125 against South Street and 0989705 B.C. Ltd., in respect of the GBL Claim.

THE BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION

- 6. A background on the status of the Petitioners' application for a new building permit is detailed in the Receiver's Fourth Report to Court dated August 9, 2022, Fifth Report to Court dated October 3, 2022 and Sixth Report to Court dated December 7, 2022 (the "Sixth Report").
- 7. As outlined in the Sixth Report, the Monitor is of the view that submitting an application for a new building permit expeditiously remains of critical importance, as the alternative scenario includes a loss of density and a resultant decrease in the estimated value of the Development Project, as well as a further delay of up to 18 months.
- 8. The marketing and eventual sale of the property is dependent upon the issuance of a new building permit, as all prospective purchasers of the Development Project have indicated that they wish to await finality on the building permit issue before submitting revised offers to purchase the Development Project.
- 9. The Monitor requires the continued provision of architectural services by GBL in order to advance its efforts to obtain a new building permit. From its investigations into the matter, the Monitor does not believe it is practical and may not even be possible to engage a different architectural firm to provide such services to the Petitioners.
- 10. Since October, 2022, the Monitor has been involved in ongoing discussions with GBL regarding the continued provision of services in respect of the Development Project. Those

discussions have not resulted in an agreement by GBL to continue to provide the necessary services to the Petitioners.

Part 3: LEGAL BASIS

- 1. The Monitor relies on section 11 of the CCAA and the statutory discretion of the court or, in the alternative, section 11.4 of the CCAA.
- 2. Recently, the Supreme Court of Canada confirmed that the most important feature of the CCAA, and the feature that enables it to be adapted so readily to each reorganization, is the broad discretionary power it vests in the supervising court. Section 11 of the CCAA confers jurisdiction on this Court to make any order that it considers appropriate in the circumstances, which power is vast and is constrained only by restrictions out in the CCAA itself, and the requirement that the order made be appropriate in the circumstances

Canada v. Canada North Group Inc., 2021 SCC 30 ("Canada North") at para 21.

3. The power vested in the Court under section 11 of the CCAA includes the ability to require the continuance of present obligations to the debtor, in order to further the objectives of the CCAA.

Nortel Networks Corporation (Re), [2009] OJ No 2558 (QL) at para. 48.

4. Although this Court may grant an order under section 11.4 of the CCAA regarding the continued supply of critical services, the general language of section 11 is not restricted by the availability of this more specific order.

Canada North at para. 24.

5. Paragraph 22 of the SARIO reads, in part, as follows:

During the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Petitioners... are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with, or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Petitioners... provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the Order Date are paid by the Petitioners in accordance with normal payment practices of the Petitioners or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

6. GBL, as a supplier of services to the Petitioners, was obligated by the terms of the SARIO to continue to provide such services to the Petitioners. The Monitor is willing and able to advance payment for all services provided by GBL since the Order Date, however GBL

has advised the Monitor that it is unwilling to provide the required services unless satisfactory arrangements are made to advance payment in respect of the GBL Claim, a pre-filing debt.

- 7. The Petitioners must, of course, pay GBL for the services it provides after the Order Date, and the Petitioners have access to sufficient funding to make all such payments, however Romspen has informed the Monitor that it is not willing to fund the Monitor to satisfy the full amount of the GBL Claim.
- 8. The architectural services provided for in the Agreement, namely in respect of the development permit process, are required in order to best position the Development Project for sale. Obtaining a new building permit will, in the Monitor's view, enhance the prospects of the sale of the Development Project for the greatest possible amount for the benefit of the stakeholders generally.
- 9. The Monitor is concerned that unless GBL agrees or is compelled to continue to provide services to the Petitioners in respect of the Development Project in accordance with the Agreement, the Petitioners will be unable to obtain a new building permit with the consequent result that the Development Project will lose significant value as detailed in the Sixth Report.
- 10. For the foregoing reasons, the Monitor seeks an order that GBL be obligated to continue to provide the architectural services contemplated under the Agreement.
- 11. In the alternative, if this court declines to exercise its discretion in granting an order under section 11 of the CCAA, the Monitor seeks an order under section 11.4 of the CCAA, which reads as follows:

Critical supplier

11.4 (1) On application by a debtor company and on notice to the secured creditors who are likely to be affected by the security or charge, the court may make an order declaring a person to be a critical supplier to the company if the court is satisfied that the person is a supplier of goods or services to the company and that the goods or services that are supplied are critical to the company's continued operation.

Obligation to supply

(2) If the court declares a person to be a critical supplier, the court may make an order requiring the person to supply any goods or services specified by the court to the company on any terms and conditions that are consistent with the supply relationship or that the court considers appropriate.

Security or charge in favour of critical supplier

(3) If the court makes an order under subsection (2), the court shall, in the order, declare that all or part of the property of the company is subject to a security or charge in favour of the person declared to be a critical supplier, in an amount equal to the value of the goods or services supplied under the terms of the order.

Priority

- (4) The court may order that the security or charge rank in priority over the claim of any secured creditor of the company.
- 12. Section 11.4 of the CCAA is intended to allow the Court to intervene and order continued supply where actions that might otherwise be taken by a supplier might jeopardize the restructuring efforts that are underway. Such relief is not unlike other CCAA provisions that allow relief which adversely affects other stakeholders in aid of these objectives and measures.

Soccer Express Trading Corp. (Re), 2020 BCSC 749 at para 64.

13. Although the CCAA does not contain a definition of "critical supplier", pursuant to section 11.4(1), when making such an order, the Court must be satisfied that GBL is a supplier of services to the Petitioners and that services supplied are critical to the Petitioners' operations.

Priszm Income Fund (Re), 2011 ONSC 2061 at para. 30.

- 14. If this Court makes an order under section 11.4, it must grant a security or charge in favour of GBL in an amount equal to the value of the goods or services supplied under the terms of the order. The Monitor proposes that the GBL Charge attach to all of the Property and rank ahead of all Encumbrances save and except the Administration Charge, the Directors' Charge and those claims contemplated by section 11.8(8) of the CCAA.
- 15. As outlined in Part 2 herein, and further detailed in the Sixth Report, the Monitor is of the view that the provision of architectural services to be provided by GBL is critical to advance efforts to obtain a new building permit, which will be required in order to ultimately effect a judicious sale of the Development Project, as engaging a new architectural firm at this time is impractical, and may not be possible.

Part 4: MATERIAL TO BE RELIED ON

1. Monitor's Fourth Report to the Court dated August 9, 2022;

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2. Monitor's Fifth Report to the Court dated October 3, 2022;

3. Monitor's Sixth Report to the Court dated December 7, 2022; and

4. Such further and other materials as counsel may advise and as this Court deems admissible.

The applicant estimates that the application will take 10 90 minutes.

This matter is not within the jurisdiction of a master.

TO THE PERSONS RECEIVING THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION: If you wish to respond to this Notice of Application, you must, within 5 business days after service of this Notice of Application or, if this application is brought under Rule 9-7, within 8 business days after service of this Notice of Application,

(a) file an Application Response in Form 33,

(b) file the original of every affidavit, and of every other document, that

(i) you intend to refer to at the hearing of this application, and

(ii) has not already been filed in the proceeding, and

(c) serve on the applicant 2 copies of the following, and on every other party of record one copy of the following:

(i) a copy of the filed Application Response;

(ii) a copy of each of the filed affidavits and other documents that you intend to refer to at the hearing of this application and that has not already been served on that person;

(iii) if this application is brought under Rule 9-7, any notice that you are required to give under Rule 9-7(9).

Date: December <u>16</u> 7, 2022

Signature of lawyer for The Bowra Group Inc., in its capacity as Monitor Kibben Jackson

To be completed by the court only:

Order	made
	in the terms requested in paragraphs of Part 1 of this Notice of Application
	with the following variations and additional terms:
Date:	
	Signature of □ Judge □ Master

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APPENDIX

THIS APPLICATION INVOLVES THE FOLLOWING:

	discovery: comply with demand for documents
	discovery: production of additional documents
	other matters concerning document discovery
	extend oral discovery
	other matter concerning oral discovery
	amend pleadings
	add/change parties
	summary judgment
	summary trial
	service
	mediation
	adjournments
	proceedings at trial
	case plan orders: amend
	case plan orders: other
	experts
X	other

SCHEDULE "A"

SERVICE LIST

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SCHEDULE "B"

DRAFT ORDER

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION

BEFORE)))	THE HONOURABLE MADAM JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)))	December 21, 2022
))	

ON THE APPLICATION OF The Bowra Group Inc. (the "Monitor") in its capacity as Monitor of Alderbridge Way GP Ltd., Alderbridge Way Limited Partnership and 0989705 B.C. Ltd. (collectively the "Companies") coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia on this date; AND ON HEARING Kibben Jackson and Mishaal Gill, counsel for the Monitor, and those other counsel listed in Schedule "A" hereto; AND UPON READING the materials filed, including the Monitor's Sixth Report to Court, dated December 7, 2022; AND PURSUANT to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985 c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES THAT:

1. The time for service of the Monitor's Amended Notice of Application dated December 16, 2022 is abridged such that it is properly returnable today.

- 2. All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Second Amended and Restated Initial Order granted by the Honourable Madam Justice Fitzpatrick in these proceedings on August 11, 2022.
- 3. GBL Architects Inc. ("GBL") be and is hereby obligated to continue to provide services to the Petitioners pursuant to the agreement dated March 24, 2017 made between GBL and South Street Financial Corporation on behalf of the Petitioners.
- 4. Endorsement of this order by counsel appearing on this application, other than counsel for the Monitor, is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

Signature of Kibben Jackson Lawyer for the Monitor		
	BY THE COURT	
	REGISTRAR	

SCHEDULE "A"

Counsel Appearing

Name of Counsel	Party Represented		
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SCHEDULE "C"

DRAFT ORDER

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PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (CRITICAL SUPPLIER ORDER)

))	
BEFORE)))	THE HONOURABLE MADAM JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)))	December 21, 2022
))	

ON THE APPLICATION OF The Bowra Group Inc. (the "Monitor") in its capacity as Monitor of Alderbridge Way GP Ltd., Alderbridge Way Limited Partnership and 0989705 B.C. Ltd. (collectively the "Companies") coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia on this date; AND ON HEARING Kibben Jackson, counsel for the Monitor, and those other counsel listed in Schedule "A" hereto; AND UPON READING the materials filed, including the Monitor's Sixth Report to Court, dated December 7, 2022; AND PURSUANT to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985 c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES THAT:

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- 3. GBL Architects Inc. ("GBL") is hereby deemed a critical supplier in accordance with section 11.4 of the CCAA and shall, from and after the date hereof provide goods and services to the Petitioners pursuant to the agreement dated March 24, 2017, made between GBL and South Street Financial Corporation, in its capacity as authorized agent of the Petitioner, 0989705 B.C. Ltd.
- 4. GBL be and is hereby granted a charge (the "GBL Charge") over the Property as security for any amounts which the Petitioners are or become indebted to GBL for the supply of services after the date hereof (the "GBL Indebtedness").
- 5. Any security documentation evidencing, or the filing, registration or perfection of the GBL Charge, shall not be required and the GBL Charge shall be effective as against the Property and shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered or perfected subsequent to the GBL Charge coming into existence, notwithstanding any failure to file, register or perfect the GBL Charge.
- 6. The GBL Charge shall constitute a mortgage, security interest, assignment by way of security and charge on the Property and shall rank in priority to all Encumbrances in favour of any Person, save and except the Administration Charge, the Directors' Charge and those claims contemplated by section 11.8(8) of the CCAA.
- 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Petitioners shall not grant or suffer to exist any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with the GBL Charge without first obtaining the written consent of GBL.
- 8. The GBL Charge shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of GBL thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by: (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order

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made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit

of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial

statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect

to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any

Agreement which binds the Petitioners; and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary

in any Agreement:

(a) neither the creation of the GBL Charge nor the execution, delivery, perfection,

registration or performance of any documents in respect thereof shall create or be

deemed to constitute a new breach by any Petitioner of any Agreement to which it

is a party;

(b) GBL shall not have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach

of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the GBL Charge; and

(c) the payments made by the Petitioners pursuant to this Order and the granting of the

GBL Charge, does not and will not constitute a preference, fraudulent conveyance,

transfer at undervalue, oppressive conduct or other challengeable or voidable

transaction under any applicable law.

9. Endorsement of this order by counsel appearing on this application, other than counsel for

the Monitor, is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY

CONSENT:

Signature of Kibben Jackson

Lawyer for the Monitor

BY THE COURT

REGISTRAR

SCHEDULE "A"

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