ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE (COMMERCIAL LIST)

BETWEEN:

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Applicant

- and -

PEACE BRIDGE DUTY FREE INC.

Respondent

AFFIDAVIT OF AMANDA SINGH

- I, Amanda Singh of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:
- I am a Legal Administrative Assistant with the law firm of Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP ("Gowling"), lawyers for Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority, and as such, have knowledge of the matters contained in this Affidavit.
- 2. Attached and marked as **Exhibit** "A" is email correspondence between Gowling and Blaney McMurtry LLP concerning the further examination of Jim Pearce.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, before me this 23rd day of October, 2023

A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits, etc.

AMANDA SINGH

THIS IS **EXHIBIT** "A" TO THE AFFIDAVIT OF AMANDA SINGH, SWORN BEFORE ME ON OCTOBER 23, 2023

E. Patrick Shea, KC (LSO# 39655K)

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

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Shea, Patrick

From:

Shea. Patrick

Sent:

October-16-23 1:57 PM

To:

Brendan Jones

Cc:

Stanek, Chris; David T. Ullmann; John C. Wolf; Gail Fairhart; Ariyana Boteiue

Subject:

Re: Service - RBC v PBDFI - CV-21-00673084-00CL

That fact that your response comes two weeks after our request and offers a date that is the business day before our Factum is due, assuming your Factum is delivered today is effectively refusing to produce Mr Pearce. We will allow Her Honour to decide how to address the matter.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 16, 2023, at 13:01, Brendan Jones <BJones@blaney.com> wrote:

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Counsel,

Regarding the request to examine Mr. Pearce again, we have had difficulty coordinating a time that we are available and Mr. Pearce can come to Toronto to be examined in person as you requested. We can both be available on this Friday. While we understand the timing is not ideal, have offered to conduct the follow up examination in writing and we remain prepared to respond to questions in writing before that if that is of assistance.

Regards

Brendan Jones

Partner

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From: Shea, Patrick < Patrick. Shea@gowlingwlg.com >

Sent: October 2, 2023 1:53 PM

To: Brendan Jones <BJones@blanev.com>

Cc: Stanek, Chris < Christopher. Stanek@gowlingwlg.com>; David T. Ullmann < DUllmann@blaney.com>;

John C. Wolf <jwolf@blaney.com>; Gail Fairhart <gfairhart@blaney.com>; Ariyana Botejue

<ABotejue@blaney.com>

Subject: Re: Service - RBC v PBDFI - CV-21-00673084-00CL

Thank you, but we would prefer to examine Mr Pearce in person. When are you available?

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On Oct 2, 2023, at 12:38, Brendan Jones < BJones@blaney.com > wrote:

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I am writing in response to your email below.

We are not available this week to attend examinations. To the extent there are questions for Mr. Pearce, we propose that they be done in writing.

Regards,

Brendan

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From: Shea, Patrick < Patrick. Shea@gowlingwlg.com>

Sent: September 28, 2023 6:56 PM

To: Ariyana Botejue < ABotejue@blaney.com>

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<<u>iwolf@blaney.com</u>>; Gail Fairhart <<u>gfairhart@blaney.com</u>> Subject: Re: Service - RBC v PBDFI - CV-21-00673084-00CL

Thank you. Please advise as to when Mr Pearce is available next week to be reexamined. We may need to re-examine the experts based on the answers given by Mr Pearce.

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On Sep 28, 2023, at 17:15, Ariyana Botejue < ABotejue@blaney.com > wrote:

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Counsel,

Attached, please find our answers to Undertakings, Under Advisements and Refusals Chart from the cross-examination of Jim Pearce held on August 31, 2023, which is hereby served upon you pursuant to the *Rules of Civil Procedure*.

Thank you,

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Ariyana Botejue
Legal Assistant to Stephen Gaudreau & David Ullmann

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<2023-09-28 - Answers to Undertakings, Underadvisements & Refusals Chart of Jim Pearce.pdf>

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