

NO. S1711962

VANCOUVER REGISTRY

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN:

SMITHE RESIDENCES LTD.  
BRENDAN JAMES SCHOUW  
BY WAY OF ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN RIGHTS, and  
4 CORNERS PROPERTIES LTD.

PLAINTIFFS

AND:

SMITHE RESIDENCES LTD.  
BRENDAN JAMES SCHOUW  
HOMER STREET RESIDENCES LTD.  
BOFFO INVESTMENT CORP.  
BOFFO DEVELOPMENTS (SMITHE) LTD.  
BOFFO DEVELOPMENTS (HORNBY) LTD. and  
BOFFO DEVELOPMENTS (HOMER) LTD.

DEFENDANTS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE ) FRIDAY, THE 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021  
JUSTICE Giaschi )

ON THE APPLICATION of the Plaintiff 4 Corners Properties Ltd. ("**4 Corners**") for an Order pursuant to Section 243(1) of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3, as amended (the "**BIA**") and Section 39 of the *Law and Equity Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996 c. 253, as amended (the "**LEA**") appointing The Bowra Group Inc. as Receiver and Manager (in such capacity, the "**Receiver**") without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Smithe Residences Ltd. and Brendan James Schouw (collectively and as to each of them, the "**Debtors**") acquired for, or used in relation to a business carried on by the Debtors, coming on for hearing this day at 800 Smithe Street, British Columbia. *By telephone Vancouver*

*LB* AND ON READING the Affidavit #1 of William Brandes, made on March 5, 2021, and the Affidavit #~~1~~<sup>2</sup> of Emma Kristensen, made on March, ~~12~~<sup>29</sup>, 2021, the consent of The Bowra Group Inc. to act as the Receiver; AND ON HEARING Anna Paczkowski, Counsel for 4 Corners, and no one else appearing, although duly served.

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THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that:

## APPOINTMENT

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1. Pursuant to Section 243(1) of the BIA and Section 39 of the LEA, The Bowra Group Inc. is appointed Receiver, without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of the Debtors, including all proceeds (the "**Property**").

## RECEIVER'S POWERS

2. The Receiver is empowered and authorized, but not obligated, to act at once in respect of the Property and, without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Receiver is expressly empowered and authorized to do any of the following where the Receiver considers it necessary or desirable:
  - (a) to take possession of and exercise control over the Property and any and all receipts and disbursements arising out of or from the Property;
  - (b) to receive, preserve and protect the Property, or any part or parts thereof, including, but not limited to, changing locks and security codes, relocation of Property, engaging independent security personnel, taking physical inventories and placing insurance coverage;
  - (c) to manage, operate and carry on the business of the Debtors, including the powers to enter into any agreements, incur any obligations in the ordinary course of business, cease to carry on all or any part of the business, or cease to perform any contracts of the Debtors;
  - (d) to engage consultants, appraisers, agents, experts, auditors, accountants, managers, counsel and such other persons from time to time and on whatever basis, including on a temporary basis, to assist with the exercise of the Receiver's powers and duties, including, without limitation, those conferred by this Order;
  - (e) to purchase or lease such machinery, equipment, inventories, supplies, premises or other assets to continue the business of the Debtors or any part or parts thereof;
  - (f) to receive and collect all monies and accounts now owed or hereafter owing to the Debtors and to exercise all remedies of the Debtors in collecting these amounts, including, without limitation, enforcement of any security held by the Debtors;
  - (g) to settle, extend or compromise any indebtedness owing to the Debtors;
  - (h) to execute, assign, issue and endorse documents of whatever nature in respect of any of the Property, whether in the Receiver's name or in the name and on behalf of the Debtors, for any purpose pursuant to this Order;
  - (i) to undertake environmental or workers' health and safety assessments of the Property and operations of the Debtors;

- (j) to initiate, manage and direct all legal proceedings now pending or hereafter pending (including appeals or applications for judicial review) in respect of the Debtors, the Property or the Receiver, including initiating, prosecuting, continuing, defending, settling or compromising the proceedings;
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- (k) to market any or all of the Property, including advertising and soliciting offers in respect of the Property or any part or parts thereof and negotiating such terms and conditions of sale as the Receiver considers appropriate;
- (l) to sell, convey, transfer, lease or assign the Property or any part or parts thereof out of the ordinary course of business:
- (i) without the approval of this Court in respect of a single transaction for consideration up to \$25,000, provided that the aggregate consideration for all such transactions does not exceed \$75,000; and
  - (ii) with the approval of this Court in respect of any transaction in which the individual or aggregate purchase price exceeds the limits set out in subparagraph (i) above,
- and in each such case notice under Section 59(10) of the *Personal Property Security Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 359 shall not be required;
- (m) to apply for any vesting order or other orders necessary to convey the Property or any part or parts thereof to a purchaser or purchasers, free and clear of any liens or encumbrances;
- (n) to report to, meet with and discuss with such affected Persons (as defined below) as the Receiver considers appropriate on all matters relating to the Property and the receivership, and to share information, subject to confidentiality terms as the Receiver considers appropriate;
- (o) to register a copy of this Order and any other Orders in respect of the Property against title to any of the Property;
- (p) to apply for any permits, licences, approvals or permissions as may be required by any governmental authority and any renewals thereof for and on behalf of and, if considered necessary or appropriate by the Receiver, in the name of the Debtors;
- (q) to enter into agreements with any trustee in bankruptcy appointed in respect of the Debtors, including, without limitation, the ability to enter into occupation agreements for any property owned or leased by the Debtors;
- (r) to exercise any shareholder, partnership, joint venture or other rights which the Debtors may have; and
- (s) to take any steps reasonably incidental to the exercise of these powers or the performance of any statutory obligations,

and in each case where the Receiver takes any such actions or steps, it shall be exclusively authorized and empowered to do so, to the exclusion of all other Persons (as defined below), including the Debtors, and without interference from any other Person.

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#### **DUTY TO PROVIDE ACCESS AND CO-OPERATION TO THE RECEIVER**

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3. Each of (i) the Debtors; (ii) all of the Debtors' current and former directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, legal counsel and shareholders, and all other persons acting on its instructions or behalf; and (iii) all other individuals, firms, corporations, governmental bodies or agencies, or other entities having notice of this Order (collectively, "**Persons**" and each a "**Person**") shall forthwith advise the Receiver of the existence of any Property in such Person's possession or control, shall grant immediate and continued access to the Property to the Receiver, and shall deliver all such Property (excluding Property subject to liens the validity of which is dependent on maintaining possession) to the Receiver upon the Receiver's request.
4. All Persons, other than governmental authorities, shall forthwith advise the Receiver of the existence of any books, documents, securities, contracts, orders, corporate and accounting records, and any other papers, records and information of any kind related to the business or affairs of the Debtors, and any computer programs, computer tapes, computer disks, or other data storage media containing any such information (collectively, the "**Records**") in that Person's possession or control. Upon request, governmental authorities shall advise the Receiver of the existence of any Records in that Person's possession or control.
5. Upon request, all Persons shall provide to the Receiver or permit the Receiver to make, retain and take away copies of the Records and grant to the Receiver unfettered access to and use of accounting, computer, software and physical facilities, provided however that nothing in paragraphs 4, 5 or 6 of this Order shall require the delivery of Records, or the granting of access to Records, which may not be disclosed or provided to the Receiver due to solicitor client privilege or statutory provisions prohibiting such disclosure.
6. If any Records are stored or otherwise contained on a computer or other electronic system of information storage, whether by an independent service provider or otherwise, all Persons in possession or control of such Records shall forthwith give unfettered access to the Receiver for the purpose of allowing the Receiver to recover and fully copy all of the information contained therein whether by way of printing the information or making copies of computer disks or such other manner of retrieving and copying the information as the Receiver in its discretion deems expedient, and shall not alter, erase or destroy any Records without the prior written consent of the Receiver. Further, for the purposes of this paragraph, all Persons shall provide the Receiver with all such assistance in gaining immediate access to the information in the Records as the Receiver may require including, without limitation, providing the Receiver with instructions on the use of any computer or other system and providing the Receiver with any and all access codes, account names and account numbers that may be required to gain access to the information.

## **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE RECEIVER**

7. No proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "**Proceeding**"), shall be commenced or continued against the Receiver except with the written consent of the Receiver or with leave of this Court.

## **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE DEBTOR OR THE PROPERTY**

8. No Proceeding against or in respect of the Debtors or the Property shall be commenced or continued except with the written consent of the Receiver or with leave of this Court and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Debtors or the Property are stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court; provided, however, that nothing in this Order shall prevent any Person from commencing a Proceeding regarding a claim that might otherwise become barred by statute or an existing agreement if such Proceeding is not commenced before the expiration of the stay provided by this paragraph and provided that no further step shall be taken in respect of the Proceeding except for service of the initiating documentation on the Debtors and the Receiver.

## **NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES**

9. All rights and remedies (including, without limitation, set-off rights) against the Debtors, the Receiver, or affecting the Property, are stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Receiver or leave of this Court, provided however that nothing in this Order shall (i) empower the Receiver or the Debtors to carry on any business which the Debtors is not lawfully entitled to carry on, (ii) affect the rights of any regulatory body as set forth in section 69.6(2) of the BIA, (iii) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (iv) prevent the registration of a claim for lien. This stay and suspension shall not apply in respect of any "eligible financial contract" as defined in the BIA.

## **NO INTERFERENCE WITH THE RECEIVER**

10. No Person shall discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, licence or permit in favour of or held by the Debtors, without written consent of the Receiver or leave of this Court. Nothing in this Order shall prohibit any party to an eligible financial contract from closing out and terminating such contract in accordance with its terms.

## **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**

11. All Persons having oral or written agreements with the Debtors or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation, all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility or other services to the Debtor are 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 Receiver, and the Receiver shall be entitled to the continued use of the Debtors' current telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case

that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Receiver in accordance with normal payment practices of the Debtors or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and the Receiver, or as may be ordered by this Court.

### RECEIVER TO HOLD FUNDS

12. All funds, monies, cheques, instruments, and other forms of payments received or collected by the Receiver from and after the making of this Order from any source whatsoever including, without limitation, the sale of all or any of the Property and the collection of any accounts receivable, in whole or in part, whether in existence on the date of this Order or hereafter coming into existence, shall be deposited into one or more new accounts to be opened by the Receiver (the “**Post-Receivership Accounts**”) and the monies standing to the credit of such Post-Receivership Accounts from time to time, net of any disbursements provided for herein, shall be held by the Receiver to be paid in accordance with the terms of this Order or any further order of this Court.

### EMPLOYEES

13. Subject to the employees’ right to terminate their employment, all employees of the Debtors shall remain the employees of the Debtors until such time as the Receiver, on the Debtors' behalf, may terminate the employment of such employees. The Receiver shall not be liable for any employee-related liabilities of the Debtors, including any successor employer liabilities as referred to in Section 14.06(1.2) of the BIA, other than amounts the Receiver may specifically agree in writing to pay or in respect of obligations imposed specifically on receivers by applicable legislation, including sections 81.4(5) or 81.6(3) of the BIA or under the *Wage Earner Protection Program Act*, S.C. 2005, c.47. The Receiver shall be liable for any employee-related liabilities, including wages, severance pay, termination pay, vacation pay, and pension or benefit amounts relating to any employees that the Receiver may hire in accordance with the terms and conditions of such employment by the Receiver.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

14. Pursuant to Section 7(3)(c) of the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act*, S.C. 2000, c. 5 or Section 18(1)(o) of the *Personal Information Protection Act*, S.B.C. 2003, c. 63, the Receiver may disclose personal information of identifiable individuals to prospective purchasers or bidders for the Property and to their advisors, but only to the extent desirable or required to negotiate and attempt to complete one or more sales of the Property (each, a “**Sale**”). Each prospective purchaser or bidder to whom such personal information is disclosed shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and limit the use of such information to its evaluation of the Sale, and if it does not complete a Sale, shall return all such information to the Receiver, or in the alternative destroy all such information. The purchaser of any Property shall be entitled to continue to use the personal information provided to it, and related to the Property purchased, in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by the

Debtors, and shall return all other personal information to the Receiver, or ensure that all other personal information is destroyed.

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### LIMITATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITIES

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15. ~~Nothing in this Order shall require the Receiver to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "Possession")~~ of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release, or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law relating to the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination (collectively "**Environmental Legislation**"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Receiver from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation.
16. The Receiver shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Receiver's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless the Receiver is actually in possession.
17. Notwithstanding anything in federal or provincial law, the Receiver is not personally liable in that position for any environmental condition that arises or environmental damage that occurred:
  - (a) before the Receiver's appointment; or,
  - (b) after the Receiver's appointment, unless it is established that the condition arose or the damage occurred as a result of the Receiver's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
18. Notwithstanding anything in federal or provincial law, but subject to paragraph 17 of this Order, where an order is made which has the effect of requiring the Receiver to remedy any environmental condition or environmental damage affecting the Property, if the Receiver complies with the BIA section 14.06(4), the Receiver is not personally liable for the failure to comply with the order and is not personally liable for any costs that are or would be incurred by any Person in carrying out the terms of the order.

### LIMITATION ON THE RECEIVER'S LIABILITY

19. The Receiver shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out the provisions of this Order, save and except:
  - (a) any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part; or
  - (b) amounts in respect of obligations imposed specifically on receivers by applicable legislation.

Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Receiver by Section 14.06 of the BIA or by any other applicable legislation.

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## RECEIVER'S ACCOUNTS

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20. ~~The Receiver and its legal counsel, if any, are granted a charge (the "Receiver's Charge")~~ on the Property as security for the payment of their fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates, in respect of these proceedings, whether incurred before or after the making of this Order. The Receiver's Charge shall form a first charge on the Property in priority to all security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, statutory or otherwise, in favour of any Person, but subject to Sections 14.06(7), 81.4(4), and 81.6(2) of the BIA.
21. The Receiver and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Receiver and its legal counsel are referred to a judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia and may be heard on a summary basis.
22. Prior to the passing of its accounts, the Receiver shall be at liberty from time to time to apply reasonable amounts, out of the monies in its hands, against its fees and disbursements, including legal fees and disbursements, incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Receiver or its counsel, and such amounts shall constitute advances against its remuneration and disbursements when and as approved by this Court.

## ALLOCATION

23. Any interested party may apply to this Court on notice to any other party likely to be affected for an order allocating the Receiver's Charge and Receiver's Borrowings Charge amongst the Property.

## SERVICE AND NOTICE OF MATERIALS

24. The Receiver shall establish and maintain a website in respect of these proceedings at: <http://www.bowragroup.com/engagements> (the "**Website**") and shall post there as soon as practicable:
  - (a) all materials prescribed by statute or regulation to be made publicly available, including pursuant to Rule 10-2 of the *Supreme Court Civil Rules*; and,
  - (b) all applications, reports, affidavits, orders and other materials filed in these proceedings by or on behalf of the Receiver, except such materials as are confidential and the subject of a sealing order or pending application for a sealing order.
25. Any Person who is served with a copy of this Order and that wishes to be served with any future application or other materials in these proceedings must provide to counsel for each of the Receiver and the Applicant a demand for notice in the form attached as Schedule A (the "**Demand for Notice**"). The Receiver and the Applicant need only provide further notice in respect of these proceedings to Persons that have delivered a properly completed



Demand for Notice. The failure of any Person to provide a properly completed Demand for Notice releases the Receiver and the Applicant from any requirement to provide further notice in respect of these proceedings until such Person delivers a properly completed Demand for Notice.

26. The Receiver shall maintain a service list identifying all parties that have delivered a properly completed Demand for Notice (the “**Service List**”). The Receiver shall post and maintain an up-to-date form of the Service List on the Website.
27. Any interested party, including the Receiver, may serve any court materials in these proceedings by facsimile or by emailing a PDF or other electronic copy of such materials to the numbers or addresses, as applicable, set out on the Service List. Any interested party, including the Receiver, may serve any court materials in these proceedings by mail to any party on the Service List that has not provided a facsimile number or email address, and materials delivered by mail shall be deemed received five (5) days after mailing.
28. Notwithstanding paragraph 31 of this Order, service of the Notice of Application and any affidavits filed in support shall be made on the Federal and British Columbia Crowns in accordance with the *Crown Liability and Proceedings Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c.C-50 and its regulations for the Federal Crown and the *Crown Proceedings Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996 c.89 in respect of the British Columbia Crown.
29. The Receiver and its counsel are authorised to serve or distribute this Order, any other orders and any other materials as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding copies by facsimile or by email to the Debtor’s creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of any legal or juridical obligation and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the *Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations*.

## GENERAL

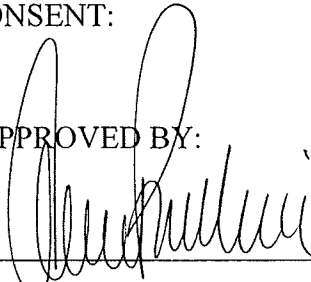
30. Any interested party may apply to this Court to vary or this Order on not less than seven (7) clear business days’ notice to the Service List and to any other party who may be affected by the variation or amendment, or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.
31. The Receiver may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.
32. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Receiver from acting as a trustee in bankruptcy of the Debtors.
33. This Court requests the aid, recognition and assistance of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction, wherever located, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Receiver and its agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All such courts, tribunals and regulatory and administrative bodies are respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Receiver, as an officer of this Court, as may be

necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order or to assist the Receiver and its agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- ~~34. The Receiver is authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal or regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order and the Receiver is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada.~~
35. 4 Corners shall have its costs of this motion, up to and including entry and service of this Order, as provided for by the terms of the 4 Corners' security or, if not so provided by the 4 Corners' security, then on a substantial indemnity basis to be paid by the Receiver from the Debtors' estate with such priority and at such time as this Court may determine.
36. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the defendants Boffo Investment Corp., Boffo Developments (Smithe) Ltd. Boffo Developments (Hornby) Ltd. or Boffo Developments (Homer) Ltd., or any of them, from taking the position that the security interest created by the GSA does not attach to the 2011 Joint Venture Agreement, the Hornby Consulting Agreement or the Smithe Consulting Agreement, each as defined in 4 Corners' Amended Notice of Civil Claim filed in these proceedings on December 14, 2020.
37. Endorsement of this Order by counsel appearing on this application other than the Applicant is dispensed with.

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

APPROVED BY:



Signature of Anna Paczkowski  
lawyer for 4 Corners Properties Ltd.



BY THE COURT  
  
DISTRICT REGISTRAR

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Schedule "A"

**Demand for Notice**

**TO:** [Name of Applicant]  
c/o [Name of Counsel to the Applicant]  
Attention:  
Email:

**AND TO:** The Bowra Group Inc.  
Attention: Doug Chivers  
Email: dchivers@bowragroup.com

**Re: In the matter of the Receivership of Brendan James Schouw and Smithe Residences Ltd.**

I hereby request that notice of all further proceedings in the above Receivership be sent to me in the following manner:

1. By email, at the following address (or addresses):

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OR

2. By facsimile, at the following facsimile number (or numbers):

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OR

3. By mail, at the following address:

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Name of Creditor: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Counsel (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Creditor's Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Creditor's Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ORDER**

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