

This is the 1st affidavit of Michelle Child in this case and was made on February 23, 2024

> No. S-238586 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN:

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Plaintiff

AND:

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- 1. I am a Senior Commercial Mortgage Advisor with Franc & Co, a commercial real estate brokerage and advisory firm. I was engaged to arrange financing for the acquisition of the property at 3925 Kingsway and 5715 Jersey Avenue in Burnaby, BC (the "**Property**"). As such, I have personal knowledge of the matters deposed to in this affidavit.
- 2. In mid-September 2023, I was engaged by Kush Bhatia to arrange acquisition financing to close the Property on or before December 15, 2023. My goal was to get the maximum amount that lenders would be willing to finance against the Property.
- 3. I took the loan to several lenders and was unable to get a lender to look at the loan on a land value basis due to:
 - (a) the timeline required for rezoning the Property to the end use; and
 - (b) the generally limited land capital available in the market.

Therefore, in considering a loan, lenders were mainly relying on the valuation of the Property on an as-is basis, with the income in place.

- 4. In my experience, in the current market, lenders are infrequently willing to lend on development properties based on their proposed use, unless there is a clear timeline for entitlement (which the Property did not have).
- 5. To underwrite the loan, based on the existing use, lenders required verification of the income in place to be supported by both copies of all leases for the Property's rented strata units and copies of the financial statements for the Property's strata corporation.
- 6. Mr. Bhatia was able to provide me with Excel sheets that listed rental information for some (but not all) of the rented units, but I did not receive copies of the leases or the financial statements in order to independently verify the information provided in the Excel sheets.
- 7. I attempted to get approval for the loan based on the limited rental income provided with the data from the Excel sheets and by applying a market rental rate to the remaining units, but I was unsuccessful.

- 8. KingSett Capital ("KingSett") provided a draft loan proposal in November 2023 for a loan of \$25 million to \$35 million secured by the Property. The loan amount was to be determined upon substantiation of the income with receipt of copies of all leases, and the strata corporation financial statements. Since we did not receive these documents, we were ultimately unable to move ahead with KingSett's proposal.
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- 10. If I am able to get copies of all the leases and the financial statements for the Property's strata corporation, I will be able to take the Property back to market. I believe that with those documents in place I can arrange financing on the Property for Mr. Bhatia (as well as financing against his other properties).
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CERTIFICATE

I, Gabriel Rincon, am the lawyer acting for the Plaintiff and Defendant by way of Counterclaim, 1038573 B.C. LTD.

I advise as follows:

- 1. that the attached Affidavit #1 of Michelle Child is being submitted for filing electronically as per the Notice to the Profession, the Public and the Media regarding Affidavits for use in Civil and Family Proceedings dated March 27, 2020; and
- 2. that I am satisfied that the process described was necessary as it was unsafe for the deponent, Michelle Child and myself to be present together due to the current COVID-19 precautions in place in Vancouver, British Columbia.

DATED: February 23, 2024

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