## **SUPERIOR COURT**

(Commercial Division)

CANADA PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC DISTRICT OF MONTREAL

No:

500-11-058602-208

DATE:

September 25, 2020

PRESIDING:

THE HONOURABLE MARIE-ANNE PAQUETTE, J.S.C.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF: MAGASIN LAURA (P.V.) INC. / LAURA'S SHOPPE (P.V.) INC.

Debtor

-and-

KPMG INC.

Monitor/Proposed Receiver

# ORDER APPOINTING A RECEIVER (Section 11 of the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act & Section 243 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act)

- ON READING the Motion by the Monitor/Proposed Receiver for a Receivership Order (the "Motion") made by KPMG Inc. ("KPMG") in its capacity as Monitor in the CCAA proceedings of Magasin Laura (P.V.) Inc. / Laura's Shoppe (P.V.) Inc. (the "Debtor") pursuant to section 243(1) of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3, as amended (the "BIA"), the affidavit and the exhibit in support thereof;
- [2] **SEEING** the service of the Motion;

- [3] SEEING the submissions of the Monitor's attorneys and of other counsel present at the hearing on the Motion;
- [4] GIVEN the (i) First-Day Initial Order rendered by this Court on July 31, 2020, and (ii) the Amended and Restated Initial Order rendered by this Court on August 10, 2020 (collectively, the "Initial Order");
- [5] SEEING that it is appropriate to appoint KPMG as receiver to the Receivership Property (as defined herein) of the Debtor (in such capacity, the "Receiver");

#### WHEREFORE THE COURT:

[6] GRANTS the Motion;

#### **SERVICE**

[7] ORDERS that the time for service of the Motion is hereby abridged and validated so that the Motion is properly returnable today and hereby **DISPENSES** with further service thereof.

## **LIFTING OF THE STAY**

ORDERS that the stay of proceedings granted by this Court under the Initial Order is hereby lifted with respect to the Debtor and the Receivership Property solely to allow (i) the appointment of the Receiver over the Receivership Property, and (ii) the Receiver to act in respect of the Receivership Property, each in accordance with the provisions of this order (the "Receivership Order").

## RECEIVERSHIP PROPERTY AND APPOINTMENT

- [9] AUTHORIZES the Debtor to transfer to the Receiver the amount of \$100.00 to constitute the receivership property (the "Receivership Property").
- [10] APPOINTS KPMG (Dev Coossa, CIRP, LIT) to act as Receiver over the Receivership Property until the issuance of any order by the Court terminating the mandate of the Receiver.
- [11] **DECLARES** that the Receiver is a receiver within the meaning of section 243(1) of the BIA.
- [12] **DECLARES** that this Receivership Order and its effects shall survive the filing by the Debtor of a Plan of Arrangement, unless the Court orders otherwise.

#### RECEIVER'S POWERS

- [13] ORDERS that the Receiver will be empowered and authorized, but not obligated, to act at once in respect of the Receivership Property and the Receiver will be expressly empowered and authorized to do any of the following where the Receiver considers it necessary or desirable:
  - (a) to take possession and exercise control over the Receivership Property;
  - (b) to perform its statutory obligations under the *Wage Earner Protection Program Act*, SC 2005, c 47, s 1 (the "**WEPPA**");
  - (c) to take any action reasonably incidental to the exercise of these powers under this Receivership Order or the fulfillment of any statutory obligations; and
  - (d) to retain the services of any lawyer, or of any person or business in order to appropriately fulfill the Receiver's power conferred by this Receivership Order:

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, and without interference from any other person.

[14] ORDERS that the Receiver be and is hereby relieved from compliance with the provision of sections 245(1), 245(2) and 246 of the BIA, provided that the Receiver shall provide notice of its appointment in the prescribed form and manner to the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, accompanied by the prescribed fee.

#### **INITIAL ORDER**

[15] ORDERS that, except as expressly stated in the Receivership Order with respect of the Receivership Property, nothing herein amends the terms of the Initial Order, including the powers, authorizations, obligations and protections for the Monitor.

## **DEBTOR'S DUTIES**

[16] ORDERS the Debtor, its directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives to forthwith provide the Receiver with access to the Receivership Property and to cooperate with the Receiver in the exercise of the powers that are granted pursuant to the terms of this Receivership Order;

## **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

[17] ORDERS that the Receiver shall not be liable for any employee related liabilities, including, without limitation, any successor-employer liabilities as provided for in sections 14.06(1.2) of the BIA, or in respect of its obligations under sections 81.4(5)

- and 81.6(3) of the BIA or under the WEPPA.
- [18] DECLARES that subject to the powers granted to the Receiver pursuant to the terms of paragraph [13] of this Receivership Order, nothing herein contained shall require the Receiver to occupy or to take control, or to otherwise manage all or any part of the Receivership Property.
- [19] **DECLARES** that the powers of the Receiver shall be exercised pursuant to its sole discretion and judgment.
- [20] DECLARES that sections 14.06 and 215 of the BIA apply *mutatis mutandis*, and hence that no action lies against the Receiver by reason of its appointment or the execution of the powers granted by the Court, except by leave of the Court. The entities related to the Receiver or belonging to the same group as the Receiver shall benefit from the protection arising under the present paragraph.
- [21] ORDERS that no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal, shall be commenced or continued against the Receiver or the Receivership Property, except with the written consent of the Receiver or with leave of this Court.

#### **FEES**

- [22] AUTHORIZES the Receiver to collect the payment of its fees and disbursements and those of its attorneys.
- [23] ORDERS that the reasonable fees and disbursements of the Receiver and those of its attorneys incurred in relation to these proceedings are secured by the Administration Charge granted by the Initial Order.

#### **GENERAL**

- [24] DECLARES that this Receivership Order, the Motion and the affidavit filed in support thereof do not, in and of themselves, constitute a default or failure to comply by the Debtor under any statute, regulation, license, permit, contract, permission, covenant, agreement, undertaking or any other written document or requirement.
- [25] DECLARES that the Receiver is at liberty to serve any notice, circular or any other document in connection with these proceedings by forwarding copies by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or electronic transmission to persons or other appropriate parties at their respective given address as last shown in the Debtor's records; the documents served in this manner shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery if by personal delivery or electronic transmission, on the following business day if delivered by courier, or three (3) business days after mailing if delivered by ordinary mail.

- [26] **DECLARES** that the Receiver may serve any court materials in these proceedings on all represented parties, by emailing a PDF or other electronic copy of such materials to counsels' email addresses, provided that the Receiver shall deliver "hard copies" of such materials upon request to any party as soon as practicable thereafter.
- [27] DECLARES that any party interested in these proceedings may serve any court material in these proceedings by emailing a PDF or other electronic copy of such materials to counsels' email addresses, provided that such party shall deliver a "hard copy" on paper of such PDF or electronic materials to the Debtor's counsel or the Receiver's counsel and to any other party who may request such delivery.
- [28] DECLARES that unless otherwise provided herein, ordered by this Court, or provided by the BIA, no document, order or other material need be served on any person in respect of these proceedings, unless such person has served a notice of appearance on the solicitors for the Debtor and the Receiver.
- [29] DECLARES that any interested person may apply to this Court to vary or rescind this Receivership Order or seek other relief upon five (5) days' notice to the Receiver, the Debtor and any other party likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.
- [30] DECLARES that this Receivership Order and all other orders in these proceedings shall have full force and effect in all provinces and territories in Canada.
- [31] REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court or administrative body in any Province of Canada and any Canadian federal court or administrative body and any federal or state court or administrative body in the United States of America and any court or administrative body elsewhere, to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order.
- [32] ORDERS the provisional execution of the present Order notwithstanding any appeal and without the requirement to provide any security or provision for costs whatsoever.
- [33] WITHOUT COSTS.

Montreal, September 25, 2020

Marie-Anne

Signature numérique de Marie-Anne Paquette

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Honourable Marie-Anne Paquette, J.S.C.