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Commercial List Statement

COURT DETAILS

Court Supreme Court of NSW

Division Equity
List Commercial

Registry Supreme Court Sydney

Case number 2018/00076580

TITLE OF PROCEEDINGS

First Plaintiff Giabal Pty Ltd Second Plaintiff Geoffry Underwood

First Defendant Gunns Plantations Limited (in Liquidation)

Second Defendant Gunns Limited (in Liquidation)(Receivers & managers

Appointed)

Number of Defendants 11

FILING DETAILS

Filed for Gunns Plantations Limited (in Liquidation), Defendant 1

Gunns Limited (in Liquidation)(Receivers & managers

Appointed), Defendant 2

Legal representative

Legal representative reference

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ATTACHMENT DETAILS

In accordance with Part 3 of the UCPR, this coversheet confirms that both the Lodge Document, along with any other documents listed below, were filed by the Court.

Commercial List Statement (Second Cross-Claim Commercial List Cross-Claim Statement (signed).PDF)

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SECOND CROSS-CLAIM COMMERCIAL LIST CROSS-CLAIM STATEMENT

COURT DETAILS

Court Supreme Court of New South Wales

Division Equity

List Commercial

Registry Sydney

Case number 2018/76580

TITLE OF PROCEEDINGS

First plaintiff Giabal Pty Ltd

Second plaintiff Geoffry Underwood

First defendant Gunns Plantations Limited (In Liquidation)

Number of defendants 11

TITLE OF THIS CROSS-CLAIM

Third Cross-Claimant Gunns Plantations Limited (In Liquidation)

First Defendant)

Fourth Cross-Claimant Gunns Limited (In Liquidation)(Receivers & managers

Appointed) (Second Defendant)

Tenth Cross-Defendant Andrew Gray

(Tenth Defendant)

Eleventh Cross-Defendant Matthew Wallace

(Eleventh Defendant)

FILING DETAILS

Filed for Gunns Plantations Limited (In Liquidation), Third Cross-

Claimant

Gunns Limited (In Liquidation) (Receivers & managers

Appointed), Fourth Cross-Claimant

Legal representative Ben Renfrey, Johnson Winter & Slattery

Legal representative reference B8450

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PRELIMINARIES

A The terms defined in the Amended Commercial List Statement filed by the Plaintiffs on 6 August 2018 (CLS) and in the Amended Commercial List Response filed by the First and Second Defendants on 20 July 2018 (CLR) have the same meaning in this document, unless otherwise defined or stated.

A NATURE OF DISPUTE

- The Plaintiffs in the Proceedings have brought representative proceedings against the Third and Fourth Cross-Claimants (the Cross-Claimants) and the Tenth and Eleventh Cross-Defendants (the Cross-Defendants) on their behalf and on behalf of Group Members in relation to investments that they made in the Gunns Woodlot Schemes for the 2002-2003, 2005-2006 and 2008-2009 financial years.
- As set out in the CLR, the Cross-Claimants deny that the Plaintiffs or the Group Members are entitled to the relied claimed by them against the Cross-Claimants.
- However, for the purposes of this Cross-Claim only, the Cross-Claimants allege that, if they are liable to the Plaintiffs, then the Cross-Defendants are liable.

B ISSUES LIKELY TO ARISE

If (which is denied) the Third and/or Fourth Cross-Claimants are liable to the Plaintiffs then the key issues likely to arise as between the Cross-Claimants and the Cross-Defendants are the following:

- Whether any or all of the Cross-Defendants are liable for the same loss or damage as the Third and/or Fourth Cross-Claimants within the meaning of s 3(1)(c) of the Wrongs Act 1954 (Tas) (Tas Act), or alternatively s 5(1)(c) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1946 (NSW) (NSW Act), or alternatively any other similar or equivalent provision of any other applicable legislation.
- Whether the Third and/or Fourth Cross-Claimants are entitled to contribution from any or all of the Cross-Defendants in equity.
- The amount of contribution recoverable from those Cross-Defendants.

C THIRD CROSS-CLAIMANTS' CONTENTIONS

For the purposes of this Cross-Claim only, if, contrary to the denials and non-admissions set out in the CLR, the Plaintiffs prove the allegations they have made against the Cross-Claimants and one or both of them is liable to the Plaintiffs, then:

Allegations made by the Plaintiffs

The Cross-Claimants repeat against the Cross-Defendants the allegations made by the Plaintiffs in paragraphs 12, 13, 14-64, 70-78, 86 and 97-103 of section C of the CLS.

Contribution at law or equity

- 2 On the basis of the facts and matters alleged by the Plaintiffs and repeated as set out in paragraph 1 above:
 - a. each of the Cross-Defendants is liable in respect of the same damage as the Third and/or Fourth Cross-Claimants, within the meaning of s 3(1)(c) of the Tas Act, or alternatively s 5(1)(c) of the NSW Act, or alternatively any other similar or equivalent provision of any other applicable legislation;
 - b. to the extent the Plaintiffs' claims are not apportionable, then the Cross-Claimants are entitled to contribution from the Cross-Defendants against the Plaintiffs' claims to the extent as may be found by the Court to be just and equitable pursuant to s 3(1)(c) and (2) of the Tas Act, or alternatively s 5(1)(c) and (2) of the NSW Act, or alternatively any other similar or equivalent provision of any other applicable legislation;
 - c. further or alternatively, the Cross-Claimants are entitled to contribution in equity from the Cross-Defendants against the Plaintiffs' claims on the basis that the Cross-Defendants are liable in equity to make good the Plaintiffs' loss.

Relief

Accordingly, the Cross-Claimants claim against each of the Cross-Defendants the relief set out in the Cross-Summons of the same date.

D QUESTIONS APPROPRIATE FOR REFERRAL TO A REFEREE

None.

E MEDIATION STATEMENT

A mediation has not yet taken place in this proceedings. The Cross-Claimants consider that these proceedings should be mediated at the same time as the principal proceedings.

SIGNATURE OF LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

I certify under clause 4 of Schedule 2 to the <u>Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act</u> <u>2014</u> that there are reasonable grounds for believing on the basis of provable facts and a reasonably arguable view of the law that the claim for damages in this statement of cross-claim has reasonable prospects of success.

I have advised the Cross-Claimants that court fees may be payable during these proceedings. These fees may include a hearing allocation fee.

Signature

Capacity

Date of signature

Solicitor

24 August 2018

NOTICE TO CROSS-DEFENDANT

If you do not file a defence you will be bound by any judgment or order in the proceedings so far as it is relevant to this cross-claim.

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