ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE (COMMERCIAL LIST)

THE HONOURABLE MADAM)	MONDAY, THE 31 ST
JUSTICE DIETRICH)	DAY OF AUGUST, 2020

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT,
R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT GUARDIAN FINANCIAL CORP. AND OTHER ENTITIES LISTED ON SCHEDULE "A"

(Applicants)

INITIAL ORDER

THIS APPLICATION, made by Guardian Financial Corp. and other entities listed on Schedule "A" (collectively, the "Applicants"), pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") for an Order substantially in the form enclosed in the Application Record, proceeded on this day by way of video-conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

ON READING the affidavit of James Feltman sworn August 30, 2020 (the "Feltman Affidavit") and the Exhibits thereto, the prefiling report of KSV Kofman Inc. ("KSV") in its capacity as proposed monitor (the "Monitor") to the Applicants dated August 30, 2020, and

UPON HEARING the submissions of counsel for the Applicants and counsel to the proposed Monitor, no one else appearing for any other party, and on reading the consent of KSV Kofman Inc. to act as the Monitor.

SERVICE

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service of the Notice of Application and the Application Record is hereby abridged and validated so that this Application is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

APPLICATION

2. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the Applicants are companies to which the CCAA applies. Although not Applicants, the limited partnerships listed on Schedule "B" hereto (together with the Applicants, the "CCAA Debtors") shall enjoy certain of the benefits and the protections provided herein and as subject to the restrictions as hereinafter set out.

POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

- 3. THIS COURT ORDERS that the CCAA Debtors shall remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "Property"). Subject to further Order of this Court, the CCAA Debtors shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their business (the "Business") and Property. The CCAA Debtors are authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, counsel and such other persons (collectively "Assistants") currently retained or employed by them, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as they deem reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.
- 4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CCAA Debtors shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after this Order:
 - (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and
 - (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicant in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.

- 5. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the CCAA Debtors shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the CCAA Debtors in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
 - (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and
 - (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the CCAA Debtors following the date of this Order.
- 6. THIS COURT ORDERS that the CCAA Debtors shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
 - (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) Quebec Pension Plan, and (iv) income taxes;
 - (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "Sales Taxes") required to be remitted by the CCAA Debtors in connection with the sale of goods and services by the CCAA Debtors, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this Order, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order, and
 - (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the CCAA Debtors.
- 7. THIS COURT ORDERS that until a real property lease (each, a "Lease") is disclaimed or resiliated in accordance with the CCAA, the CCAA Debtors shall pay all amounts constituting

rent or payable as rent under Leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) or as otherwise may be negotiated between the CCAA Debtors and the landlord from time to time ("Rent"), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order in accordance with the applicable Lease.

8. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as specifically permitted herein, the CCAA Debtors are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the CCAA Debtors to any of their creditors as of this date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except (i) in the ordinary course of the Business; (ii) advances from RGN Management Limited Partnership in an amount reasonably necessary to preserve and protect the Business and the Property.

RESTRUCTURING

- 9. THIS COURT ORDERS that the CCAA Debtors shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the CCAA Debtors' intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the CCAA Debtors' entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the Lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the CCAA Debtors, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the CCAA Debtors on at least two (2) days notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If the CCAA Debtors' disclaims or resiliates the Lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, it shall not be required to pay Rent under such Lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer or resiliation of the Lease shall be without prejudice to the CCAA Debtors' claim to the fixtures in dispute.
- 10. THIS COURT ORDERS that if a notice of disclaimer or resiliation is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the applicable CCAA Entity and the Monitor 24

hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the CCAA Debtors in respect of such Lease or leased premises, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE CCAA DEBTORS OR THE PROPERTY

11. THIS COURT ORDERS that until and including September 10, 2020, or such later date as this Court may subsequently order (the "Stay Period"), no proceeding or enforcement process in or outside of any court or tribunal (each, a "Proceeding") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the CCAA Debtors or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the CCAA Debtors or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

12. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being "Persons" and each being a "Person") against or in respect of the CCAA Debtors or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (a) empower the CCAA Debtors to carry on any business which the CCAA Debtors are not lawfully entitled to carry on, (b) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, (c) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (d) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.

NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

13. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, no Person shall discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, Lease, sublease, licence or permit in favour of or held by the CCAA Debtors, except with the written consent of the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

14. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the CCAA Debtors for 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 Business, or the CCAA Debtors, are hereby 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 CCAA Debtors, and that the CCAA Debtors shall be entitled to the continued use of their current premises, 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 CCAA Debtors in accordance with normal payment practices of the CCAA Debtors or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

15. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the date of this Order, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or readvance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the CCAA Debtors. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

16. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a compromise or arrangement in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION

17. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.

APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

- 18. THIS COURT ORDERS that KSV Kofman Inc. is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the CCAA Debtors with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the CCAA Debtors and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the CCAA Debtors pursuant to this Order, and shall cooperate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.
- 19. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
 - (a) monitor the CCAA Debtors' receipts and disbursements;
 - (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
 - (c) advise the CCAA Debtors in their preparation of the CCAA Debtors' cash flow;
 - (d) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the CCAA Debtors, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the CCAA Debtors' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order:

- (e) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (f) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.
- 20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
- THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to 21. 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 respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Water Resources Act, or the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor'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 it is actually in possession.
- 22. THIS COURT ORDERS that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of any of the CCAA Debtors with information provided by the CCAA Debtors in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the CCAA Debtors is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the CCAA Debtors may agree.

- 23. THIS COURT ORDERS that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.
- 24. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor and counsel to the CCAA Debtors shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, by the CCAA Debtors and/or Canadian Affiliates (as defined in the Feltman Affidavit) as part of the costs of these proceedings. The CCAA Debtors and/or Canadian Affiliates are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor and counsel for the CCAA Debtors forthwith upon receipt.
- 25. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

SERVICE AND NOTICE

- 26. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall (a) without delay, publish in The Globe and Mail (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (b) within five days after the date of this Order, (i) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the CCAA Debtors of more than \$1,000 and known landlords of the CCAA Debtors, and (iii) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.
- 27. THIS COURT ORDERS that the E-Service Guide of the Commercial List (the "Protocol") is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Protocol (which can be found on the Commercial List website at http://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/practice-directions/toronto/eservice-commercial/ shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04 of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) of the Rules of Civil Procedure and paragraph 21 of the Protocol, service of documents in accordance with the Protocol will be effective on transmission.

This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the Protocol with the following URL 'https://www.ksvadvisory.com/insolvency-cases/case/rgn-national-business-centers.

- 28. THIS COURT ORDERS that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission to the CCAA Debtors' creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the CCAA Debtors and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.
- 29. THIS COURT ORDERS that the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor and their respective counsel are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, and other materials and orders as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices, or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by electronic message to the CCAA Debtors' creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of a legal or judicial obligation, and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the *Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations*, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS).

GENERAL

- 30. THIS COURT ORDERS that the CCAA Debtors or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of their powers and duties hereunder.
- 31. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the CCAA Debtors, the Business or the Property.
- 32. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the CCAA Debtors, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies

are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the CCAA Debtors and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- 33. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor 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.
- 34. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party (including the CCAA Debtors and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order on not less than seven (7) days' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.
- 35. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the date of this Order.

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Schedule "A" - Additional Applicants

RGN Alberta IV GP Inc.

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RGN Alberta XIV GP Inc.

RGN Alberta XVII GP Inc.

RGN British Columbia XX GP Inc.

RGN British Columbia XVI GP Inc.

RGN British Columbia XXV GP Inc.

RGN British Columbia XXIV GP Inc.

RGN Manitoba II GP Inc.

RGN Ontario II GP Inc.

RGN Ontario L GP Inc.

RGN Ontario LV GP Inc.

RGN Ontario LVI GP Inc.

RGN Ontario LVIII GP Inc.

RGN Ontario LXII GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XI GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XLI GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XLII GP Inc.

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RGN Ontario XLVIII GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XXI GP Inc.

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RGN Ontario XXIX GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XXV GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XXVIII GP Inc.

RGN Ontario XXXI GP Inc.

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RGN Ontario XXXIII GP Inc.

RGN Quebec V GP Inc.

RGN Quebec VI GP Inc.

RGN Quebec XIV GP Inc.

RGN Quebec XVI GP Inc.

RGN Services Limited

Schedule "B" - Other CCAA Debtors

RGN Alberta IV Limited Partnership

RGN Alberta Limited Partnership

RGN Alberta X Limited Partnership

RGN Alberta XIII Limited Partnership

RGN Alberta XIV Limited Partnership

RGN Alberta XVII Limited Partnership

RGN British Columbia XX Limited Partnership

RGN British Columbia XVI Limited Partnership

RGN British Columbia XXV Limited Partnership

RGN British Columbia XXIV Limited Partnership

RGN Manitoba II Limited Partnership

RGN Ontario L Limited Partnership

RGN Ontario LV Limited Partnership

RGN Ontario LVI Limited Partnership

RGN Ontario LVIII Limited Partnership

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