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2:20-19343 2161 Argyle LLC

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Notice of motion and motion for relief from the automatic stay with supporting declarations REAL PROPERTY RE: 2161 Argyle Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90068

MOVANT: CROWN CITY CAPITAL, INC.

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Tentative Ruling:

Grant without waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3) or extraordinary relief. (Court only grants in rem relief pursuant to section 362(d)(4), which wasn't requested in the motion and is not applicable.)

Party Information

Debtor(s):

2161 Argyle LLC Represented By

Julie A Duncan

Movant(s):

Crown City Capital, Inc. Represented By

Matthew D. Resnik

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR) Pro Se

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#2.00 Notice of motion and motion for relief from the automatic stay with supporting declarations PERSONAL PROPERTY RE: 2019 Honda Accord, VIN # 1HGC

V1F3 8KA1 65623

MOVANT: HONDA LEASE TRUST

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ZoomGov Appearance by:

1/12/21 - Vincent Frounjian, (818)859-7511

Tentative Ruling:

Grant with waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Marvin Alfredo Bonilla Espinoza Represented By

Steven A. Alexander

Joint Debtor(s):

Solieth Margarit Contreras Sermeno Represented By

Steven A. Alexander

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Movant(s):

Honda Lease Trust Represented By

Vincent V Frounjian

Trustee(s):

Elissa Miller (TR)

Pro Se

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2:20-14348 Gardena Business Group LLC

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#3.00 Motion to Approve Compromise of Controversy between the Trustee and Om Yermo, LLC.

fr. 1-6-21

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ZoomGov Appearance by:

1/19/21 - Allen Ostergar, (949)305-4590

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for January 6, 2021:

Overrule objection. Court will not adjudicate the merits of the parties' respective positions in the context of a motion for approval of a compromise, and the existence of claims against Om Yermo is not a basis for denial of the motion; however, the motion is incomplete. The motion recites the A&C factors, but does not discuss or apply them to the facts of this case. What claims does the trustee have against Om Yermo and its foreclosure agent? Are these claims worth anything? Is Om Yermo giving up anything in exchange for the releases? What claims, if any, would Om Yermo have against the estate? Are these claims viable?

Continue hearing to give trustee an opportunity to file supplemental

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declaration walking the court through his analysis of the application of the A&C factors to the facts of this case.

Final Ruling for January 6, 2021:

Continue hearing to January 19, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Trustee will serve and file supplemental declaration not later than January 13, 2021. Supplemental oppositions must be filed and served by noon on January 18, 2021.

Tentative Ruling for January 19, 2021:

Court has reviewed trustee's supplemental declarations and is satisfied that the trustee has addressed the questions/concerns raised by the court. Grant motion. Approve compromise.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Gardena Business Group LLC Represented By

Richard L. Sturdevant

Trustee(s):

John J Menchaca (TR) Represented By

Wesley H Avery

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2:19-14066 David Gomez

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Adv#: 2:19-01221 PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ex rel. ILWU-PMA v. Gomez

#200.00

Status Conference re: 62 (Dischargeability - 523(a)(2), false pretenses, false representation, actual fraud)) (68 (Dischargeability - 523(a)(6), willful and malicious injury)) Complaint by PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ex rel. ILWU-PMA WELFARE PLAN, ILWU-PMA WELFARE PLAN against David Gomez

fr. 9-17-19, 11-5-19, 2-11-20, 4-7-20, 7-14-20, 10-20-20

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*** VACATED *** REASON: CONT'D. TO 2/9/21 @ 2PM

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for September 17, 2019:

Plaintiff obtained and served alias summons. Response to complaint is not due until September 26, 2019. Continue status conference to November 5, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. APPEARANCES WAIVED ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2019.

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Tentative Ruling for November 5, 2019:

A status report is not required when the defendant has not responded to the complaint, and, in any event, counsel should not use Judge Zurzolo's form of status report for this judge. Counsel should also be aware that it is inappropriate for an attorney to file a declaration attesting to his personal knowledge of facts that are not within his personal knowledge. Counnsel should have prepared this declaration for his paralegal's signature.

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

11/6/19 -- Court entered scheduling order setting status conference for February 11, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. and setting deadline of January 21, 2020 for defendant to file motion to set aside default.

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Tentative Ruling for February 11, 2020:

Continue status conference for approximately 90 days. If defendant fails to file response to complaint within time limit set forth in response to motion on calendar as number 207, plaintiffs should take defendant's default, serve and file a motion for default judgment and set it for hearing at same date and time as continued status conference.

Tentative Ruling for April 7, 2020:

At request of parties, continue status conference to July 14, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Parties should file joint status report not later than June 30, 2020. APPEARANCES WAIVED ON APRIL 7, 2020.

Tentative Ruling on July 14, 2020:

This action has been pending for a year, and yet the parties have not yet met and conferred in compliance with LBR 7026-1? Court appreciates that parties may wish to avoid costs associated with discovery, but it is time for this matter to either be resolved or to move forward. Set continued status conference. Require parties to complete a day of mediation prior to date of continued status conference. (There are mediators willing to conduct mediations via Zoom.)

Final Ruling from July 14, 2020:

Defendant did not appear at status conference. Court continued status conference to October 20, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. and directed parties to file joint status report by October 6, 2020. Plaintiff should file and serve a notice of the continued status conference.

Tentative Ruling for October 20, 2020:

Is there any difference between the joint status report filed on October 6, 2020 and that filed on October 7, 2020?

Continue status conference to date that can serve as hearing date on motions that plaintiff intends to file.

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12/9/20 -- Court approved stipulation continuing hearing to February 9, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. OFF CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 19, 2021.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

David Gomez Represented By

Raj T Wadhwani

Defendant(s):

David Gomez Represented By

Warren M Stanton

Plaintiff(s):

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF Represented By

Michael R Pinkston Maisie C Sokolove Christine S Hwang S Bradley Perkins Thomas E Fraysse Elizabeth Medrano Peter W Saltzman Justin T Curley D Ward Kallstrom

ILWU-PMA WELFARE PLAN Represented By

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Trustee(s):

Peter J Mastan (TR) Pro Se

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2:19-24335 Eunho Kim

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Adv#: 2:20-01195 Dye v. Kim et al

#201.00

Status Conference re: 11 (Recovery of money/property - 542 turnover of property)),(13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)),(41 (Objection / revocation of discharge - 727(c),(d),(e))),(91 (Declaratory judgment)) Complaint by Carolyn A. Dye against Eunho Kim, Eunho Kim as Trustee of the Eun Ho Kim Irrevocable Living Trust, Connie H. Kim, Connie H. Kim as trustee of The Eun Ho Kim Irrevocable Living Trust, Kye Sik Moon, Selk Group, Inc., a California Corporation

fr. 10-27-20

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Tentative Ruling:

10/28/20 -- Court entered order denying motion to dismiss, setting deadline of November 30, 2020 for filing of answers to complaint and setting status conference for January 19, 2021. (Parties are to file joint status report not later than January 5, 2021.)

1/5/21 -- Court orally granted motion for default judgment against defendant Connie Kim. Action remains unresolved as against other defendants.

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Tentative Ruling for January 19, 2021:

Set discovery cutoff for late April, 2021. When will plaintiff be in a position to bring her motion for summary judgment? Hearing required.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Eunho Kim Represented By

Simon S Chang

Defendant(s):

Eunho Kim Represented By

Donald E Iwuchuku

Eunho Kim as Trustee of the Eun Ho Represented By

Donald E Iwuchuku

Connie H. Kim Pro Se

Connie H. Kim as trustee of The Eun Pro Se

Kye Sik Moon Represented By

Donald E Iwuchuku

Selk Group, Inc., a California Pro Se

DOES 1 - 20, Inclusive Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Carolyn A. Dye Represented By

Christian T Kim Ann Chang

James A Dumas Jr

Trustee(s):

Carolyn A Dye (TR)

Represented By

Christian T Kim Ann Chang

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2:20-10295 Jonas Chang and Christy Chang

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Status Conference re: Objection To Debtors' Claimed Exemption In Real Property

fr. 8-12-20, 11-10-20

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ZoomGov Appearance by:

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for August 12, 2020:

This bankruptcy was filed on January 12, 2020. Pursuant to section 522(b)(3) (A), the debtors need to have had their domicile in California for two years prior to the filing in order to be able to assert a California homestead exemption in the property. If the debtors have changed their domicile during this two-year period, the debtors need to have resided in California for 180 days immediately prior to this two-year period or at least for the better part of this 180-day period.

Movant contends that (and the debtors agree that) the debtors moved from Hawaii to California on July 24, 2018, which means that they were not living in California for the two years prior to filing this bankruptcy, but the debtors contend that their domicile was always California. According to the debtor, he

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grew up in this house in Monterey Park, and, upon getting married, lived there with his mother. In 2008, they claim to have only left temporarily (for a period of 10 years) in an attempt to start a business in Hawaii. Nevertheless, debtors contend they never ceased to view California as their domicile: they returned to the property in Monterey Park several times a year and never rented the property to anyone else; they always maintained possessions at the house, always paid for the utilities and always had the utilities in their name; they filed California state tax returns; and they continued to receive mail at the property. On these facts, the court cannot summarily adjudicate that the debtors were not domiciled within California during the relevant period. Court will need to conduct an evidentiary hearing to resolve this issue.

The movant also claims that, under California law, a debtor cannot claim a homestead exemption in property that was fraudulently transferred to him and that the claim of the creditor will defeat that of the transferee. However, the debtor already owned a one-third interest in the property even before the transfer and that interest may be worth enough all by itself to satisfy a \$75,000 homestead exemption. (Actually, he had a one-third interest in the trust and the trust owned the property until it was transferred to the debtor.) The Court cannot summarily adjudicate that either the transfer of his brother's interest in the trust to him or the transfer of the property from the trust to the debtor was a fraudulent transfer. The court would need an evidentiary hearing for this as well. (And the court agrees with movant that this court may make such a determination for the purpose of adjudicating the validity of the debtor's homestead exemption; it does not need to wait for the state court to do so.)

Do the parties need an opportunity to conduct discovery? (Discuss relevant factors with parties.) Hearing required.

8/14/20 -- Court entered scheduling order deeming matter to be adversary proceeding for procedural purposes and set discovery cutoff for November 13, 2020. Status conference scheduled for November 10, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Parties shall file joint status report not later than October 27, 2020.

9/15/20 -- Court approved stipulation continuing discovery cutoff to January

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22, 2021 and continuing status conference to January 19, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Parties shall file joint status report not later than January 5, 2021. OFF CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2020.

Tentative Ruling for January 19, 2021:

Trustee filed a copy of the closing statement, showing net sales proceeds of \$117,096.68. How does this affect the outcome of this contested matter? Where is the joint status report that should have been filed by January 5, 2021? Hearing required.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jonas Chang Represented By

Chris T Nguyen

Joint Debtor(s):

Christy Chang Represented By

Chris T Nguyen

Trustee(s):

Carolyn A Dye (TR) Represented By

Alan I Nahmias