### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

#### **CASE NO. 16-CV-21301-GAYLES**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

ARIEL QUIROS, et al.,

Defendants, and

JAY CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, INC., et al.,

Relief Defendants.

# LEON COSGROVE AND MITCHELL SILBERBERG & KNUPP'S REPLY TO QUIROS'S RESPONSE TO THE MOTION TO MODIFY ASSET FREEZE THAT THE SEC AND THE RECEIVER DO NOT OPPOSE

Ariel Quiros's ("Quiros") proposed order does not reflect the resolution between the SEC, the Receiver, LC, and MSK. For the avoidance of doubt, LC and MSK have *only* agreed to dismiss their pending motion and appeal, if the Court grants the modification of the asset freeze as carefully negotiated by LC, MSK, the SEC, and the Receiver. Otherwise, there is no legal basis for dismissing LC and MSK's motion or appeal. LC and MSK do not agree to Quiros's self-serving order, which does not reflect the remaining parties' agreement.

For the reasons set forth in the Motion [ECF No. 414] and the Reply in support of the prior motion to modify [ECF No. 412], Quiros's arguments regarding LC and MSK's entitlement to any payment by Ironshore can be addressed fully and completely outside this litigation. The proposed order agreed to by LC, MSK, the SEC and Receiver does not affect Quiros's opportunity to object to any payments due under the IFA. Rather, Quiros is trying to use an asset

freeze, which is supposed to protect investors, as a tool to protect Quiros. That is a legally invalid position.

The SEC and Receiver are empowered by law to advocate to this Court on behalf of allegedly defrauded investors and the Receivership. Mr. Quiros is not. The submission negotiated by LC, MSK, the SEC, and the Receiver should be sufficient assurance to this Court that the relief requested is warranted and not adverse to the interests of the Receivership or investors. That is all that matters here.

Dated: September 22, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

By: <u>s/Scott B. Cosgrove</u>\_

Scott B. Cosgrove

Florida Bar No. 161365

James R. Bryan

Florida Bar No. 696862

León Cosgrove, LLC

255 Alhambra Circle, Suite 800

Coral Gables, Florida 33133

Telephone: (305) 740-1975

Facsimile: (305) 437-8158

Email: scosgrove@leoncosgrove.com Email: jbryan@leoncosgrove.com Email: anoonan@leoncosgrove.com

David B. Gordon (formerly admitted pro

hac vice)

12 East 49th Street

30th Floor

New York, NY 10017

Telephone: (212) 509-3900 Facsimile: (212) 509-7239

Email: dbg@msk.com

John S. Durrant (formerly admitted pro hac

vice)

11377 W. Olympic Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90064 Telephone: (310) 312-3187

Facsimile: (310) 312-3100

Email: jsd@msk.com

Former Counsel for Defendant Ariel Quiros

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this on September 22, 2017, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF. I also certify that the foregoing documents are being served this day on all counsel of record via transmission of Notices of Electronic Filing generated by CM/ECF or in the manner stated in the service list attached.

s/ Scott B. Cosgrove
Scott B. Cosgrove

## SERVICE LIST US District Court, Southern District of Florida Case No.: 16-cv-21301-DPG

### Securities and Exchange Commission v. Ariel Quiros, et al.

Robert K. Levenson, Esq. Senior Trial Counsel Florida Bar No. 0089771 Direct Dial: (305) 982-6341 Email: levensonr@sec.gov

Christopher E. Martin, Esq. Senior Trial Counsel SD Florida Bar No.: A5500747 Direct Dial: (305) 982-6386 Email: martine@sec.gov

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 801 Brickell Avenue, Suite 1800 Miami, Florida 33131 Telephone: (305) 982-6300 Facsimile: (305) 536-4154

Counsel for Plaintiff

Roberto Martinez, Esq.
Stephanie A. Casey, Esq.
COLSON HICKS EIDSON, P.A.
255 Alhambra Circle, Penthouse
Coral Gables, Florida 33134
Telephone: (305) 476-7400
Facsimile: (305) 476-7444
Email: bob@colson.com
Email: scasey@colson.com

Counsel for William Stenger

Michael I. Goldberg AKERMAN LLP 350 E. Las Olas Blvd., Suite 1600 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301 Telephone: (954) 463-2700 Facsimile: (954) 463-2224 Email: michael.goldberg@akerman.com

Jonathan S. Robbins, Esq. AKERMAN LLP 350 E. Las Olas Blvd., Suite 1600 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301 Telephone: (954) 463-2700 Facsimile: (954) 463-2224 Email: jonathan.robbins@akerman.com

Naim Surgeon, Esq. AKERMAN LLP Three Brickell City Centre 98 Southeast Seventh Street, Suite 1100 Miami, Florida 33131 Telephone: (305) 374-5600 Facsimile: (305) 349-4654

Email: naim.surgeon@akerman.com

Counsel for Court-Appointed Receiver

Jeffrey C. Schneider, Esq. LEVINE KELLOGG LEHMAN SCHNEIDER + GROSSMAN Miami Center, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor 201 South Biscayne Blvd. Miami, Florida 33131 Telephone: (305) 403-8788 Email: jcs@lklsg,com

Counsel for Receiver

Mark P. Schnapp, Esq. Mark D. Bloom, Esq. Danielle N. Garno, Esq. GREENBERG TRAURIG, P.A. 333 SE 2ndAvenue, Suite 4400

Miami, Florida 33131 Telephone: (305) 579-0500 Email: schnapp@gtlaw.com Email: bloomm@gtlaw.com Email: garnod@gtlaw.com

Counsel for Intervenor, Citibank NA.

J. Ben Vitale
David E. Gurley
GURLEY VITALE
601 S. Osprey Avenue
Sarasota, Florida 32436
Telephone: (941) 365-4501
Email: bvitale@gurleyvitale.com
Email: dgurley@gurleyvitale.com

Counsel for Blanc & Bailey Construction, Inc.

Haas A. Hatic GREENSPOON MARDER, P.A. 200 East Broward Blvd. Suite 1500 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Telephone: 954-491-1120 Email: haas.hatic@gmlaw.com

Counsel for North East Contract Services, Inc.