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Societe Generale v Forum Finance Pty Limited (In Liquidation) & Ors



Federal Court of Australia Proceeding No. NSD642/2021

Applicant's submissions on application to re-open case to adduce further evidence

- 1. Societe Generale seeks leave to re-open its case to adduce a single Affidavit of Service of Julian Zoller sworn on 20 February 2023 and its exhibits (**affidavit of service**).
- 2. The affidavit of service concerns the service on the respondents of:
 - (a) the orders made on 8 February 2023 for the proceeding to proceed generally in the absence of Mr Papas (**Rule 30 order**); and
 - (b) documents that were added to the court book following the commencement of the hearing. Those documents were Societe Generale's: supplementary opening submissions (tab B2); a chronology (tab b3); a diagram (tab b4); the further Affidavit of Service sworn on 18 October 2022 together with its exhibits (tab D8); and emails that were in original exhibits but not in the original Court Book.
- 3. The affidavit of service is relevant in that it evidences that Mr Papas has been:
 - (a) served with all relevant materials that the Court has been or will be taken to;
 - (b) informed about the Rule 30 Order.
- 4. Pursuant to rule 1.32 of the *Federal Court Rules 2011* (Cth), the Court may make any order that the Court considers appropriate in the interests of justice. The principles relating to granting leave to a party to re-open a case were summarised by Jackson J in *Frigger v Trenfield (No 7)* [2020] FCA 1740 at [22]-[24]. The ultimate question is where the interests of justice lie.
- 5. It is in the interest of justice to grant Societe Generale leave to re-open its case to read the affidavit of service because:
 - (a) the affidavit relates to procedural matters rather than substantive matters;
 - (b) the affidavit concerns events that occurred after the hearing commencing and the reading of its evidence, and is therefore fresh evidence; and
 - (c) there is no material prejudice to any of the respondents to the proceeding;
 - (d) there is no delay and little or no trouble and expenditure of resources involved in reopening;
 - (e) it is not opposed.

Dated 20 February 2023

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