IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND WELLINGTON REGISTRY

I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA TE WHANGANUI-A-TARA ROHE

CIV-2008-409-348

BETWEEN ERIC MESERVE HOUGHTON

Plaintiff

AND TIMOTHY ERNEST CORBETT

SAUNDERS, SAMUEL JOHN MAGILL, JOHN MICHAEL FEENEY, CRAIG EDGEWORTH HORROCKS, PETER DAVID HUNTER, PETER THOMAS and

JOAN WITHERS First Defendants

CREDIT SUISSE PRIVATE EQUITY

INCORPORATED Second Defendant

CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON ASIAN

MERCHANT PARTNERS LP

Third Defendant

On papers

Minute: 8 April 2020

MINUTE OF DOBSON J

[1] This minute addresses arrangements for the hearing of the defendants' applications for strike out or for judgment in their favour in the proceeding, which is to occur on 11 May 2020. The background to these arrangements is reflected in my earlier minutes of 2 and 25 March 2020, which should be read in conjunction with this one.

[2] The hearing will proceed on 11 May 2020 as a remote hearing in some form. One day has been allocated. The particular mode by which it is to occur will be the subject of liaison between counsel and the case officer nearer the time.

[3] If a final position on attempts to arrange security for costs on behalf of the claimants for the stage two hearing, and for funding of the hearing, has not been confirmed before then, at the latest by 5.00 pm on 30 April 2020, JAFL/Mr Gavigan and any other claimant interests prepared to provide such funding are to confirm the extent of arrangements that have been made. As previously indicated, the detail of funding commitments is to be verified by affidavit.

[4] Thereafter:

- the defendants' submissions in support of their applications are to be filed and served by 5.00 pm on 4 May 2020;
- submissions on behalf of the plaintiff/claimants in opposition to the defendants' applications are to be filed and served by 5.00 pm on 7 May 2020.

Dobson J

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