THE CITY OF LONDON LAW SOCIETY INSOLVENCY LAW COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT SLAUGHTER AND MAY, ONE BUNHILL ROW, LONDON EC1Y 8YY AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCE CALL ON THURSDAY 18th NOVEMBER 2021 AT 12.30pm

- Present: Jennifer Marshall, Allen & Overy LLP (chair) Catherine Balmond, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP Katharina Crinson, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP lan Johnson, Slaughter & May Megan Sparber, Slaughter & May Hamish Anderson, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP Giles Boothman, Ashurst LLP Inga West, Ashurst LLP Jo Windsor, Linklaters LLP Joe Bannister, Hogan Lovells International LLP Dominic McCahill, Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom (UK) LLP David Ereira, Paul Hastings (Europe) LLP Simon Thomas, Goodwin Procter (UK) LLP Adrian Cohen, Clifford Chance LLP Gabrielle Ruiz, Clifford Chance LLP Ian Fox, Dentons UK and Middle East LLP
- Apologies: James Roome, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld Kevin Pullen, Herbert Smith Freehills LLP Ben Klinger, Seddons Law LLP Ben Larkin, Jones Day Peter Wiltshire, CMS Cameron McKenna LLP Ross Miller, Simmons & Simmons LLP Byron Nurse

In attendance: Rebecca Oliver, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP (secretary)

- 1 Opening of meeting.
- 2 The minutes of the meeting held on 14th September 2021 were approved.
- 3 Current consultations/proposals

Terms of reference	Working party	Comments/Update
A. DWP consultation on Strengthening The Pensions Regulator's Powers: Notifiable Events (Amendments) Regulations 2021 <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/st</u> <u>rengthening-the-pensions-regulators-powers-</u> <u>notifiable-events-amendments-regulations-2021</u>	Noted and will put on agenda for consideration of outcomes when available.	Closing date 27 October 2021
B. BEIS, HM Treasury and HMRC joint consultation on Corporate Re-domiciliation <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/corporate-re-domiciliation</u>	A specific section on insolvency we will consider. Working party: David Ereira Joe Windsor	Closing date 7 January 2022

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4 Payment and Electronic Money Institution Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2021 (SI 2021/1178) (in force from 12 November 20210

https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2021/1178/pdfs/uksi_20211178_en.pdf

Noted by the Committee.

5 Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill

https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/3064

Commercial rents code of practice, November 2021

Noted by the Committee.

6 Insolvency Service Annual Report and Accounts 2020-2021

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-insolvency-service-annual-report-and-accounts-2020-2021

Noted by the Committee.

7 Company Insolvency Statistics: July to September 2021

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/company-insolvency-statistics-july-to-september-2021

Noted by the Committee.

8 Recent cases noted by the Committee:

Lehman Brothers Holdings Scottish LP 3 v Lehman Brothers Holdings Plc and others [2021] EWCA Civ 1523

The Financial Conduct Authority v Carillion Plc [2021] EWHC 2871 (Ch)

Carillion Services Ltd (In compulsory liquidation) and others v Benson and others EA-2021-000269-BA, the EAT

Young v Nero Holdings Limited and others [2021] EWHC 2600 (Ch)

Absolute Living Developments Limited (in liquidation) v DS7 Limited & Others [2021] EWHC 2311

Re Dealmaster Ltd [2021] EWHC 2892 (Ch)

Emerald Pasture Designated Activity Co and other companies v Cassini SAS and another [2021] EWHC 2443 (Ch)

9 Any other business

The Committee discussed the special administration regime for energy companies in anticipation of its use as more energy companies failed. [Post meeting, Bulb Energy entered into administration on 24 November 2021.]

10 Next meeting

Thursday 20th January 2022, due to be hosted by Ian Fox, Dentons UKMEA LLP, at a time to be confirmed.