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JUDGE SHELLEY I GILMAN FTR 8:29 AM CTRM 424 HEAR HEARING ON RECEIVER'S MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BROWNSTEIN, HYATT, FARBER & SCHRECK DAY 2. APPEARS VIA WEBEX: PLTFS ATTY AAG ROBERT W. FINKE & AAG JANNA FISCHER; RECEIVER HARVEY SENDER W ATTY PATRICK MALONE & MICHAEL GILBERT & RACHEL STERNLIEB; DEF ATTY CHRISTOPHER MILLS & PAUL VORNDAN & MICHAEL VAN; BROWNSTEIN, HYATT, FARBER AND SCHRECK REP. RICHARD BENENSON AND JOHNATHAN KRAY WITH ATTY BART WILLIAMS (PHV) & SHAWN LEDINGHAM (PHV) & JENNIFER ROCHE (PHV). DEF REQUESTS CONTINUANCE. COURT DENIES MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE. DEF CALLS WITNESSES. DEF EX. R, V ADMITTED. BROWNSTEIN EX. 101 ADMITTED. PARTIES MAKE CLOSING ARGUMENTS. COURT ENTERS ORAL FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER. COURT GRANTS RECEIVERS MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BROWNSTEIN, HYATT, FARBER & SCHRECK, LLP. COURT ENJOINS PARTIES IN THIS CASE AND DEFENDANT FROM PROSECUTING NEVADA CASE. COURT CLARIFIES FINDING THAT RECEIVER HAS NOT ABANDONED CLAIMS.

DISTRICT COURT, DENVER COUNTY, COLORADO		DATE FILED: February 26, 2021 5:08 PM CASE NUMBER: 2018CV33011
Court Address: 1437 BANNOCK STREET, RM 256, DENVER, CO, 80202		
Plaintiff(s) GERALD ROME SECURITIES COM FOR THE ST OF CO v. Defendant(s) GARY DRAGUL et al.		<p style="text-align: center;">△ COURT USE ONLY △</p> Case Number: 2018CV33011 Division: 424 Courtroom:
<p style="text-align: center;">Order re: Receiver's Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement with Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck, LLC and Gary Dragul's Motion to Order Claims Against Brownstein Abandoned.</p>		

This matter is before the Court on the Receiver's Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement with Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck, LLC and Defendant Gary Dragul's Motion to Order Claims Against Brownstein Abandoned. On February 19 and 26, 2021, the Court held a hearing on the issues raised in these motions and entered oral findings of fact and conclusions of law, which the Court incorporates by reference into this written order.

Accordingly, the Court enters the following order hereby granting the Receiver's Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement with Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck, LLC. Additionally, the Court enjoins the parties in this case and Defendant Gary Dragul from prosecuting the Nevada case. Furthermore, the Court denies Defendant Gary Dragul's Motion to Order Claims Against Brownstein Abandoned, finding that the Receiver has not abandoned these claims.

Issue Date: 2/26/2021



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District Court Judge

<p>DISTRICT COURT, DENVER COUNTY STATE OF COLORADO</p> <p>Denver District Court 1437 Bannock St. Denver, CO 80202 303.606.2433</p>	<p>DATE FILED: November 16, 2020 10:51 AM FILING ID: 6C5F1B2044576 CASE NUMBER: 2018CV33011</p>
<p>Plaintiff: Tung Chan, Securities Commissioner for the State of Colorado</p> <p>v.</p> <p>Defendants: Gary Dragul; GDA Real Estate Services, LLC; and GDA Real Estate Management, LLC</p>	<p>▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲</p>
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<p align="center">RECEIVER'S MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK, LLP</p>	

Harvey Sender, the duly-appointed receiver (“Receiver”) for Gary Dragul (“Dragul”), GDA Real Estate Services, LLC (“GDARES”), GDA Real Estate Management, Inc. (“GDAREM”), and related entities, including Rose, LLC (“Rose”) (collectively, “Dragul and the GDA Entities”), asks the Court to enter an order approving a settlement agreement with Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP (“BHFS”). A copy of the settlement agreement is submitted as **Exhibit 1** (the “Settlement Agreement”).

I. Background

1. On August 15, 2018, Gerald Rome, Securities Commissioner for the State of Colorado (the “Commissioner”), filed his Complaint for Injunctive and Other Relief against Dragul and the GDA Entities.

2. On August 30, 2018, the Court entered a Stipulated Order Appointing Receiver (the “Receivership Order”), appointing Harvey Sender receiver for Dragul and the GDA Entities and their respective properties and assets, as well as their interests and management rights in related affiliated and subsidiary businesses (the “Receivership Estate” or the “Estate”). Receivership Order ¶ 5.

3. The Receivership Order expressly includes Dragul, GDARES, and GDAREM, and all of their assets, within the Receivership Estate. Receivership Order ¶ 9. The Estate also includes all of the interests of Dragul, GDARES, and GDAREM in any of their subsidiaries or related companies “including without limitation the ‘LLC Entities’ identified in the Commissioner’s Motion and Complaint for Injunctive and Other Relief.” Receivership Order ¶ 9. Rose is one of the “LLC Entities” identified in the Commissioner’s Complaint and therefore included within the Receivership Estate. *See* Aug. 15, 2018, Compl. ¶ 21 (table).

4. Other than Dragul’s former personal residence at 10 Cherry Lane Drive, Englewood, Colorado and those assets abandoned by the Receiver, all assets of Dragul and the GDA Entities were placed in the Receivership Estate, subject to the control of the Receiver “to the exclusion of Dragul, GDARES and GDAREM, and their Representatives or all persons acting in participation with Dragul, GDARES and GDAREM.” Receivership Order ¶¶ 9, 13(a). The assets placed into the Estate

expressly included all “claims, and causes of action” of Dragul and the GDA Entities. Receivership Order ¶ 9.

5. Under the Receivership Order, the Receiver has the authority to prosecute causes of action against third-parties, to the exclusion of Dragul and the GDA Entities. Receivership Order ¶¶ 13(o) & (s).

6. Absent permission from the Receiver or a further order of this Court, Dragul and the GDA Entities are prohibited from “[h]olding themselves out as, or acting or attempting to take any and all actions of any kind or nature as Representatives of Dragul, GDARES and GDAREM, or subsidiary entities they own or control, or in any other purported capacity.” Receivership Order ¶ 19(c).

7. On December 13, 2018, pursuant to a court order, the Receiver abandoned Dragul’s 17.85% interest in the entity known as YM Retail 07 A, LLC and Dragul’s management rights in the entity known as Safeway Marketplace Manager 07, Inc. YM Retail 07 A, LLC and Safeway Marketplace Manager 07, Inc. owned and managed real property located at 6460 East Yale Avenue in Denver, Colorado (the “YM Property”).

8. On September 3, 2020, Dragul filed a motion in this action seeking a determination that claims Dragul and the GDA Entities purport to hold against certain accountants, attorneys, and consultants, including BHFS, had been abandoned by the Receiver, such that Dragul could pursue them for his own benefit (the “First Abandonment Motion”). On October 1, 2020, the Court denied that motion

and Dragul was denied permission to file any such lawsuit on behalf of himself or the GDA Entities.

9. On October 7, 2020, Dragul, GDARES, GDAREM, and Rose filed a lawsuit in the Eighth Judicial District Court in Clark County, Nevada against BHFS and 41 current and former attorneys and paralegals at BHFS (Case No. A-20-822625-C) (the “Nevada Action”). The complaint filed in the Nevada Action (the “Nevada Complaint”) asserts causes of action for malpractice, breach of contract, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, unjust enrichment, and breach of fiduciary.

10. On October 26, 2020, Dragul filed a second motion in this action seeking a determination that the claims asserted in the Nevada Action have been abandoned by the Receiver, such that Dragul can pursue them for his exclusive benefit (the “Second Abandonment Motion”). The Nevada Complaint is attached as Exhibit 2 to the Second Abandonment Motion.

11. The proposed Settlement Agreement resolves all claims of Dragul and the GDA Entities asserted in the Nevada Action.

II. The claims asserted in the Nevada Action are property of the Estate.

12. The Receiver has reviewed the Nevada Complaint and believes all of the claims asserted therein are property of the Receivership Estate.

13. Some of the claims described in the Nevada Complaint concern legal work BHFS did in connection with the YM Property. However, as the Receiver previously explained in response to the First Abandonment Motion, whether a claim concerning the YM Property is part of the Receivership Estate depends on the

“ownership of that claim.” Sept. 24, 2020, Resp. at 6. “If the claim is owned by Dragul or GDA,” the claim is property of the Estate and subject to the Receiver’s sole control. *Id.* “If instead the claim is owned by YM Retail 07A, LLC, or its manager, Safeway Marketplace Manager 07, Inc., the Receiver abandoned the Estate’s interest in those entities long ago.” *Id.*

14. None of the claims asserted in the Nevada Action are brought by YM Retail 07 A, LLC or Safeway Marketplace Manager 07, Inc. Each is brought by Dragul, GDARES, GDAREM, and Rose. To the extent any of the claims asserted in the Nevada Action relate to the YM Property, they seek recovery on behalf of Dragul for harm he claims to have suffered in the representation. These claims, like all others asserted in the Nevada Action, are property of the Receivership Estate.

15. In a reply brief filed by Dragul on September 30, 2020, in connection with the First Abandonment Motion, Dragul took the position that his claims against BHFS and other law firms did not belong to the Estate because, according to Dragul, “claims for injuries Mr. Dragul personally suffered were never part of the Receivership Estate to begin with.” Sept. 30, 2020, Reply at 2 n.2. Dragul’s position is based on the argument that, according to the Receivership Order, only those of his claims and causes of action “related in any manner, or directly or indirectly derived, from investor funds from the solicitation or sale of securities” are property of the Estate. *Id.* (quoting Receivership Order ¶ 9). Dragul is incorrect in both his interpretation of the Receivership Order and its application.

16. Under the Receivership Order, certain categories of assets of Dragul and the GDA Entities belong to the Estate without limitation; these include real and personal property, interests in subsidiaries, and all claims and causes of action. Receivership Order ¶ 9. In addition to these specific categories of assets, the Receivership Estate also includes any other “assets (including those of Dragul) of any kind or of any nature whatsoever related in any manner, or directly or indirectly derived, from investor funds from the solicitation or sale of securities as described in the Complaint, or derived indirectly or indirectly from investor funds.” *Id.* This limiting language applies only to the catch-all category of assets beyond those (like claims and causes of action) specifically enumerated as part of the Estate.

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17. In any event, Dragul’s argument that his claims do not belong to the Receivership Estate—because the claims would be paid by the defendants he sues—focuses entirely on the language about assets being “derived from investor funds,” ignoring the fact that assets “related in any manner” to investor funds or the solicitation or sale of securities are also included in the Estate. As the Nevada Complaint shows, all of the claims Dragul has asserted against BHFS are related to his solicitation of investments. Thus, even under Dragul’s erroneously narrow interpretation of the Receivership Order, the claims asserted in the Nevada Action would still belong to the Estate as they relate to Dragul’s dealings with investors.

III. The Settlement Agreement is in the best interest of the Estate and its creditors.

18. There exists little Colorado authority with respect to factors the Court should consider in determining whether to approve a Receiver’s settlement

agreement. In analogous bankruptcy contexts, courts consider whether “the settlement is fair and equitable and in the best interests of the estate.” In considering whether to approve a settlement, bankruptcy courts consider four primary factors: “the probable success of the underlying litigation on the merits, the possible difficulty in collection of a judgment, the complexity and expense of the litigation, and the interests of creditors in deference to their reasonable views.” *Kopp v. All Am. Life Ins. Co. (In re Kopexa Realty Venture Co.)*, 213 B.R. 1020, 1022 (B.A.P. 10th Cir. 1997); *Kaiser Steel Corp. v. Frates (In re Kaiser Steel Corp.)*, 105 B.R. 971, 977 (D. Colo. 1989). Courts also recognize that deference should be given to the business judgment of the Receiver. *See, e.g., In re OptInRealBig.com, LLC*, 345 B.R. 277, 291 (Bankr. D. Colo. 2006) (deferring to the business judgment of the bankruptcy trustee).

19. Considering these factors, the Court should approve the Settlement Agreement. The Receiver has investigated the claims asserted in the Nevada Complaint, and, based upon his review of the Nevada Complaint and familiarity with the GDA records and information in his possession, believes they are not factually supported, not meritorious, and subject to several strong, and potentially insurmountable, defenses.

20. First, it appears the claims asserted in the Nevada Complaint are barred by applicable statutes of limitations. As Dragul himself conceded when he unsuccessfully asked the Receiver’s counsel for permission to deem the claims against Brownstein abandoned, “some of these claims are likely time-barred as to the Receiver,” the entity that has exclusive possession over these claims. First

Abandonment Mot. Ex. 1, at p. 7. In truth, the claims in the Nevada Complaint pertain to transactions that concluded many years ago (the latest in April 2016), and into which the Colorado Securities Commissioner and the Colorado Attorney General began investigations in 2014. As a result, it appears that all of the claims are time-barred. In fact, based on the Receiver's understanding of the claims and purported wrongdoing, the claims appear to have lapsed prior even to the appointment of the Receiver in August 2018.

21. Beyond that, the Receiver does not believe the claims are factually or legally substantiated. The Receiver is not aware of any facts indicating BHFS, or any attorney or employee of BHFS, while employed by BHFS, committed malpractice against, received excessive fees or costs from, or breached any fiduciary duty owed to Dragul or any GDA entity. Nor is the Receiver aware of any facts indicating that BHFS represented Dragul personally in connection with any of the claims asserted in the Nevada Complaint.

22. This conclusion pertains equally to the claims asserted against the individual defendants, which the Nevada Complaint lumps together without any attempt to allege which particular individuals worked on which transactions underlying the alleged claims, let alone plead any facts alleging each of the individuals' purported negligence or breach of fiduciary duty. As a simple example to highlight the lack of merit of the purported claims, a number of the individual defendants named in the Nevada Complaint appear to be BHFS paralegals and other

employees—not attorneys—against whom the alleged malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty claims are improperly asserted under any analysis.

23. Furthermore, the asserted claims relate to Dragul’s improper operation of his businesses—the GDA Entities—and their investments, which are the subject of several securities actions proceeding against Dragul and the GDA Entities, including two Indictments by Colorado State Grand Juries, and this action by the Commissioner. As a result, the Receiver believes the purported claims are also subject to a variety of other defenses, including, but not limited to, *in pari delicto* and contributory negligence.

24. The Receiver has also had an opportunity to review BHFS’s draft motion to dismiss the Nevada Complaint, finds the arguments raised therein compelling, and believes a motion to dismiss the action would likely be successful.

25. In addition, the Receiver has independently investigated whether any other potential claims exist against BHFS. Based on his review of the documents and understanding of the facts, the Receiver does not believe there are any meritorious claims that could be raised against BHFS on behalf of the Estate.

26. On the other hand, resolving the asserted claims through litigation would be expensive. Based on his review of BHFS’s draft motion, the Receiver understands BHFS is well-prepared to mount a formidable defense of the purported claims. If the claims were to survive a motion to dismiss, the litigation, which involves claims stretching back over nearly a decade, would be fact-intensive and costly. The

mere fact of legal malpractice claims necessitates expert witness testimony, the cost of which would be borne by the Estate.

27. Even if the Receiver abandoned the claims asserted in the Nevada Complaint and the Nevada Action brought by Dragul and the GDA Entities were permitted to proceed, the Estate would still be subject to significant litigation expense as the Estate controls the GDA entities, its documents and witnesses. That burden has been augmented by Dragul's election to bring the action in Nevada, which, if the action proceeded past a motion to dismiss, would impose additional time and expenses on the Estate.

28. Balancing the likelihood of success of any potential claims against BHFS, including those identified in the Nevada Complaint, against the expense involved in litigating the claims through trial, including expert witness testimony, the Receiver believes the proposed settlement is in the best interest of the Estate. The proposed Settlement Agreement resolves the potential litigation claims against BHFS without further expense or litigation risk, eliminates potentially significant litigation costs for the Estate, including costs that would be imposed on the Estate even if Receiver abandoned the claims, and results in the prompt payment of funds to the Estate.

IV. Dragul and the GDA Entities should be enjoined from prosecuting the Nevada Action.

29. Because the claims asserted in the Nevada Action are resolved through the Settlement Agreement, the Order approving the settlement should also enjoin Dragul from prosecuting that action.

30. In filing the Nevada Complaint and initiating that lawsuit, Dragul acted in an *ultra vires* manner, in violation of the Receivership Order's appointment of the Receiver over those claims and causes of action, as well as in violation of the Receivership Order's injunction against Dragul's purporting to take actions on behalf of assets within the Estate. Receivership Order ¶¶ 9, 19(c). Dragul also filed the Nevada Action after asking the Court for permission to do so in the First Abandonment Motion and being denied such permission in the Court's October 1, 2020, Order.

31. "Colorado courts have the power to enjoin a party from proceeding in an action in another jurisdiction. This power may be exercised when another action interferes unduly or inequitably with the progress of the local litigation." *In re Marriage of Peper*, 554 P.2d 727, 730 (Colo. App. 1976) (citation omitted) (affirming "order directing [party] to dismiss [a] Pennsylvania civil action"); *see also O'Haire v. Burns*, 101 P. 755, 757 (Colo. 1909) (affirming restraining order enjoining plaintiff whose claim was dismissed in Colorado from prosecuting same claims against defendant in Iowa).

32. In order to prevent Dragul's future disregard of this Court's orders after these claims are resolved, the Order approving the Settlement Agreement should expressly enjoin Dragul from prosecuting the Nevada Action and order him to dismiss that lawsuit, under penalty of contempt of court.

33. Pursuant to paragraph 34 of the Receivership Order, Court approval of any motion filed by the Receiver shall be given as a matter of course within 10 days

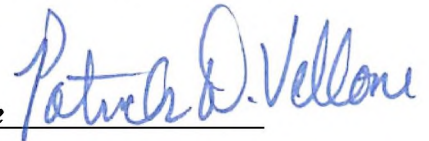
after the motion is filed and served. As reflected by the certificate of service below, this Motion is being served on all parties who have appeared in this case and on all currently known creditors of the Estate.

WHEREFORE, the Receiver asks the Court to enter an Order approving the Settlement Agreement.

Dated: November 16, 2020

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 16, 2020, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **RECEIVER'S MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK, LLP** via CCE to:

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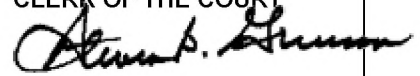
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CERTIFICATION OF E-SERVICE ON KNOWN CREDITORS

In accordance with this Court's February 1, 2019 Order clarifying notice procedures for this case, I also certify that a copy of the foregoing is being served by electronic mail on all currently known creditors of the Receivership Estate to the addresses set forth on the service list maintained in the Receiver's records.

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11 LLC, a Colorado limited liability company;
12 GDA REAL ESTATE SERVICES, LLC, a
13 Colorado limited liability company; and GDA
14 REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT, INC., a
15 Colorado corporation¹,

16 Plaintiffs,

17 v.

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19 SCHRECK, LLP, a Colorado limited liability
20 partnership, ABBY KIRKBRIDE, ADAM J.
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COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

¹ As of the date of this Complaint Harvey Sender is serving as the receiver over the assets of Gary J. Dragul, including his companies and their claims and causes of action. However, Mr. Sender has either refused or failed to assert certain claims held by Rose, LLC; GDA Real Estate Services, LLC and GDA Real Estate Management, Inc. Therefore, in addition to asserting claims that Gary J. Dragul holds personally as set forth herein, in order to preserve claims held by Rose, LLC; GDA Real Estate Services, LLC and GDA Real Estate Management, Inc. before the applicable limitations period runs, Gary J. Dragul hereby asserts the same for the limited purpose of preserving such claims. Gary J. Dragul has sufficient standing to assert the claims as set forth herein related to Rose, LLC; GDA Real Estate Services, LLC and GDA Real Estate Management, Inc. See Barletta v. Tedeschi, 121 B.R. 669 (1990) (holding that a debtor in bankruptcy had sufficient standing to assert claims that were part of the bankruptcy estate and controlled by the trustee before the limitations period expired, as such claims revert back to the debtor at the conclusion of the bankruptcy proceeding).

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Defendants.

Plaintiffs Gary J. Dragul, Rose, LLC, GDA Real Estate Services, LLC and GDA Real Estate Management, Inc. (collectively "*Plaintiffs*"), through their undersigned counsel, hereby complain of the Defendants Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP ("*BHFS*"), Abby Kirkbride, Adam J. Agron, Albert Z. Kovacs, Andrew C. Elliott, Andrew D. Moore, Ashley Baker Wingfield, Carrie E. Johnson, Charles J. Smith, Cristal M. Deherrera, David R. Arraji, David B. Meschke, Donald G. Boyajian, Edward N. Barad, Gregory Riches, Gregory W. Berger, J. Tenley Oldak, Jeffrey M. Knetsch, Jessica Wilner, Jill H. Smith, John Benson Rowberry, Jonathan G. Pray, Jonathan S. Sar, Julie H. Bodden, Julie Sander, Kate Lowenhar-Fischer, Kelley Nyquist Goldberg, Linda M. Zimmerman, Marc C. Diamant, Mark J. Matthews, Melissa D. Nuccio, Michelle C. Kales, Nancy A. Strelau, Neil M. Goff, Noelle Riccardella, Rick D. Thomas, Rikard D. Lundberg, Robert Kauffman, Sangeetha Mallavarapu, Steve E. Abelman, Susan Klopman, Tal Diamant, and Does I through X (collectively, the "*Brownstein Attorneys*") and Roe Corporations I through X (collectively "*Defendants*") as follows:

PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

1. Plaintiff Gary J. Dragul ("*Mr. Dragul*") is, and at all times relevant herein was, an individual residing in the State of Colorado.
2. Plaintiff Rose, LLC is, and at all times relevant herein was, a Colorado limited liability company.