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APPLICANTS:

LUTHERAN CHURCH - CANDA, THE ALBERTA - BRITISH

COLUMBIA DISTRICT, ENCHARIS COMMUNITY HOUSING

AND SERVICES, ENCHARIS MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES, AND LUTHERAN CHURCH-

CANADA, THE ALBERTA - BRITISH COLUMBIA DISTRICT

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## AFFIDAVIT OF COURTNEY CLARK Sworn on March 4, 2016

I, COURTNEY CLARK, of Vancouver, British Columbia, SWEAR AND SAY THAT:

- I am a legal assistant with the law firm of Sugden, McFee & Roos LLP, and solicitors for 1. Elvira Kroeger and Randy Kellen herein, and as such have personal knowledge of the facts and matters hereinafter deposed to, except where stated to be based on information and belief and where so started I verily believe the same to be true.
- Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A" to my affidavit is a true copy of a letter 2. dated March 4, 2016 from Errin Poyner of Sugden, McFee & Roos LLP addressed to

Rev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer, President of Lutheran Church Canada Alberta British Columbia District, which was sent by registered mail from our office today.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the
City of Vancouver, in the
Province of British Columbia, this
4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

Errin A. Poyner
A Commissioner for taking
Affidavits within the Province of
British Columbia.

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## VIA REGISTERED MAIL

Lutheran Church Canada Alberta British Columbia District 7040 Ada Boulevard Edmonton, AB T5B 4E3

Attention:

Rev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer, President

Dear Sirs:

This is Exhibit" A "referred to in the Affidavit of Courtney Clark sworn before me at Kancover B. C this Lay of March 20/6

A Commissioner for taking Afridavits within British Columbia

Re: Lutheran Church of Canada - Alberta and British Columbia District (the "ABC District")

I act for Ms. Elvira Kroeger and Mr. Randy Kellen, both of whom are Depositors in the Alberta British Columbia District's ("District") Church Extension Fund (the "CEF").

I hereby demand, on behalf of my clients, that the District commence legal proceedings in negligence against the auditors who provided audit opinions to the District between 1993 and 2012 as follows;

- a. Deloitte & Touche (1993 1999);
- b. Rolfe Benson (2000 2010); and
- c. Pennock Acheson Nielsen Devaney (2011 2012) (the "Auditors").

My clients allege that Deloitte & Touche, inter alia:

- a. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds for the purchase and development of the POP Village lands between 1993 and 1999:
- b. Failed to independently verify and report upon the value of the POP Village Lands; and
- c. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds by "extinguishing" a CEF mortgage loan to ECHS in the amount of \$5,850,000.00 in exchange for title to the Strathmore Lands.

My clients allege that Rolfe Benson, inter alia:

- a. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds to finance ECHS's ongoing development of the POP Village Lands from 2006 to 2010;
- b. Failed to independently verify and report upon the value of the POP Village Lands as security for the mortgage loans advanced to ECHS between 2006 and 2010;
- c. Failed to identify and report upon the risk to District in respect of the mortgage loans advanced to ECHS:

- d. Failed to identify and report upon the relationship between District and ECHS;
- e. Failed to identify and report upon District's misuse of CEF Funds to make an operating loan in the amount of \$8,000,000.00 to the Prince of Peace Congregation in 2008, and the subsequent forgiveness of all or part of that loan in 2009;
- f. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds by way of loans advanced to Shepherd's Village Ministries Ltd. ("SVML"), and the subsequent forgiveness of all or part of those loans;
- g. Failed to independently verify and report upon the value of the SVML Lands as security for the loans advanced to SVML; and
- h. Failed to identify and report upon the relationship between District and SVML.

My clients allege that Pennock Acheson, inter alia:

- a. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds to finance ECHS's ongoing development of the POP Village Lands from 2011 to 2012;
- b. Failed to independently verify and report upon the value of the POP Village Lands as security for the mortgage loans advanced to ECHS;
- c. Failed to identify and report upon the risk to District in respect of the mortgage loans advanced to ECHS;
- d. Failed to accurately identify and report upon the relationship between District and ECHS;
- e. Failed to identify and report upon the misappropriation and misuse by District of CEF trust funds by way of loans advanced to Shepherd's Village Ministries Ltd. ("SVML"), and the subsequent forgiveness of all or part of those loans;
- f. Failed to independently verify and report upon the value of the SVML Lands as security for the loans advanced to SVML; and
- g. Failed to identify and report upon the relationship between District and SVML.

In the event that District is unable or unwilling to commence this action and advance these claims against the Auditors, my clients demand that District assign to them its right of action, thereby avoiding the need for my clients to seek leave of the Court to commence a derivative action.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

SUGDEN, MCFEE & ROOS LLP

PER:

ERRIN A. POYNER

EAP/cc

cc: Francis Taman

Jeffrey Oliver