

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL
ON APPEAL FROM THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (MARCUS SMITH J)
BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES COMPANIES COURT
(CHD)

IN THE MATTER OF LB HOLDINGS INTERMEDIATE 2 LIMITED (IN ADMINISTRATION)
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

B E T W E E N:

LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS SCOTTISH LP 3

Appellant

-AND-

(1) LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS PLC (IN ADMINISTRATION)
(2) DEUTSCHE BANK A.G. (LONDON BRANCH)
(3) THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS OF LB HOLDINGS INTERMEDIATE 2 LIMITED (IN
ADMINISTRATION)

Respondents

RESPONDENT'S REPLACEMENT¹ SKELETON ARGUMENT (dated 1 March 2021, replaced
on 29 March 2021) ON BEHALF OF THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS OF LB HOLDINGS
INTERMEDIATE 2 LIMITED (IN ADMINISTRATION)
FOR THE APPEAL LISTED TO COMMENCE ON 4 October 2021

A. INTRODUCTION

1. Listed for hearing before the Court are appeals from Orders of Marcus Smith J [CB/2/23, 24] in which he made a number of declarations on two officeholder Applications for directions dated 16 March 2018 arising out of the insolvency of the Lehman Group.
2. One application was made by the administrators of LB Holdings Intermediate 2 Ltd (“the LBHI2 Administrators”) and the second made by the administrators of Lehman Brothers

¹ This Replacement Skeleton Argument contains references to the Core Bundle and Supplementary Bundle. References to documents in the Core Bundle are in the form [CB/volume number/tab number/page number] and references to documents in the Supplementary Bundle are in the form [SB/volume number/tab number/page number].

Holdings plc (“**the PLC Administrators**”). By the Applications [CB/2/30, 31], the LBHI2 Administrators and the PLC Administrators sought the resolution of priority disputes which had arisen as between the subordinated creditors in each insolvency estate.

3. The LBHI2 Administrators have paid the company’s unsecured unsubordinated creditors in full together with their post-administration statutory interest entitlements. The PLC Administrators have also paid the company’s unsecured unsubordinated creditors in full, although some statutory interest remains outstanding.² Each estate has more than one subordinated creditor whose claims rank next after statutory interest. On current estimates (described more fully below), there will be insufficient funds in both estates to meet the subordinated creditors’ claims in full; accordingly, priority disputes between subordinated creditors have arisen in both estates.
4. The defined terms used in this Skeleton Argument are those set out in the Glossary at Annex 1 to the Judgment of Marcus Smith J dated 3 July 2020 [CB/2/22/473-477] unless otherwise stated.
5. The LBHI2 Administrators are neutral as to the outcome of the priority dispute in the LBHI2 estate between PLC and SLP3. Their position is explained in more detail below at Section D.

B. REASONS FOR THE APPLICATIONS

6. LBHI2 is the immediate parent of LBIE, holding the entirety of its issued and allotted share capital.³ Immediately prior to the collapse of the Lehman Group in September 2008, LBIE was the principal trading company of the Lehman Group in Europe. LBIE went into administration on 15 September 2008, accompanied or followed by other members

² Judgment [6] – [7] [CB/2/22/341]; the most recent progress report of the PLC Administrators dated 13 October 2020 for the period 15/3/20 to 14/9/20 (“**the PLC October 2020 Progress Report**” at [SB/2/64/672-694]) records that statutory interest of £766.9 million needs to be paid to unsubordinated, unsecured creditors before distributions to subordinated creditors may commence, but states that PLC will be able to pay that statutory interest in full. The progress reports are published every six months on the PricewaterhouseCoopers’ website.

³ Judgment [3] [CB/2/22/340-341]. Previously, LBL (defined in paragraph 6 above) held one share in LBIE (Judgment [3] footnote 2 [CB/2/22/340]).

of the Lehman Group in Europe, including LBHI2, PLC and Lehman Brothers Ltd (“**LBL**”, the role of which is described more below).⁴

7. LBHI2 was a substantial creditor of LBIE as at the date that LBIE went into administration holding (a) an ordinary unsecured senior (ie unsubordinated) claim admitted at £36 million, and, more significantly, (b) a subordinated claim of about £1.2 billion (“the **LBIE Sub-Debt**”) in respect of advances made by LBHI2 to LBIE under three subordinated loan agreements made in November 2006 (“the **LBIE Sub-Debt Agreements**”), in both cases excluding interest. Subsequent to the commencement of LBIE’s administration, LBHI2, as part of a joint venture with certain funds, assigned its senior debt and the LBIE Sub-Debt to special purpose vehicles pursuant to a set of complex pooling agreements with the funds under which LBHI2 received a substantial up-front payment and retained substantial participation rights in recoveries made in respect of the pooled debts.
8. At the time that LBIE went into administration and for a period thereafter, it was not thought that LBIE would be able to discharge in full the principal amount of its ordinary unsecured senior liabilities; still less, its subordinated liabilities. However, from a point in 2013 it was clear that the principal amount of the senior liabilities would be paid in full. By four dividends paid between November 2012 and April 2014, the principal amounts of admitted unsubordinated claims were paid in full, leaving a substantial surplus running to many billions of pounds (“the **LBIE Surplus**”).
9. The emergence of the LBIE Surplus resulted in a series of applications (collectively known as the “**Waterfall Proceedings**”) which were intended to determine issues relating to (i) the nature, extent and ranking of the claims of different classes of creditors to the LBIE Surplus and (ii) the nature and extent of the liability of LBHI2 and LBL, as members of LBIE (an unlimited liability company) and as contributories, to contribute to any shortfall in the payment of the claims of creditors.⁵ Substantially simplified, the outcomes of the Waterfall Proceedings were as follows:

⁴ LBHI2 in fact went into administration in January 2009 but the bulk of the Lehman entities went into insolvency processes on 15 September 2008.

⁵ One ordinary share in LBIE was previously held by LBL (see Judgment [3] footnote 2 [**CB/2/22/340**]), but by the time the current application was issued, LBHI2 was the sole shareholder in LBIE (Judgment [3(1)] [**CB/2/22/340**]).

- (a) In the Waterfall I proceedings:⁶ (i) that the LBIE Sub-Debt was subordinated both to statutory interest payable on creditors' claims pursuant to the predecessor provision of what is now IR 2016 r. 14.3 (IR 1986 r. 2.88) and IA 1986 s. 189 and to non-provable claims, but (ii) that creditors with claims expressed in a foreign currency had no claim (provable or otherwise) in respect of foreign currency losses suffered as a result of the statutory currency conversion under the predecessor of what is now IR 2016 r. 14.21 (IR 1986 r. 2.86), and (iii) that LBIE could not prove in LBHI2's administration in respect of LBHI2's contributory liability unless and until LBIE went into liquidation;
 - (b) In the Waterfall IIA proceedings,⁷ that the rule in *Bower v Marris* did not apply so as to require dividends paid in an administration to be notionally appropriated in discharge of interest before principal; and
 - (c) In the Waterfall IIC proceedings,⁸ that for the purpose of calculating statutory interest where a claim was made in excess of the statutory rate (8% pa) based on the provisions of the ISDA Master Agreements, the cost of funding upon which the default rate is based in the agreements does not include cost of equity funding.
10. Those outcomes crystallised and were reflected in the terms of a scheme of arrangement proposed by the administrators of LBIE ("**the LBIE Surplus Scheme**") for the settlement of outstanding litigation relating to and the distribution of the LBIE Surplus. The LBIE Surplus Scheme was sanctioned by Hildyard J by an order made on 15 June 2018.⁹
11. The outcomes identified above were highly beneficial to LBHI2. Having regard to the size of the LBIE Surplus, the consequences have been that:
- (a) The LBHI2 estate has received significant distributions;
 - (b) The Court granted permission to the LBHI2 Administrators for LBHI2 to become a distributing administration on 15 June 2017;

⁶ See the decision of the Supreme Court given in May 2017 ([2018] AC 465).

⁷ The judgment of the Court of Appeal was given in October 2017 (at [2018] Bus LR 508).

⁸ The judgment of Hildyard J was given in October 2016 (at [2017] Bus LR 1475).

⁹ Judgment at [2019] Bus LR 1012.

- (c) The LBHI2 Administrators have paid in full LBHI2's unsubordinated creditors together with statutory interest;
- (d) There is likely to be a substantial surplus (“**the LBHI2 Surplus**”) available for the payment of dividends in respect of subordinated creditors of LBHI2¹⁰ (last estimated at around £300-£900 million,¹¹ although the precise sum remains subject to material uncertainty). The final amount of the LBHI2 Surplus will depend on several factors, including the eventual outcome in the LBIE estate, the outcome of various legal proceedings (including the present appeal), and the costs and expenses of the administration.

C. THE PRIORITY DISPUTE IN THE LBHI2 ESTATE

12. LBHI2 has two subordinated creditors with claims in aggregate amounting to US\$8.3 billion:

- (a) **PLC**: in respect of sums advanced by PLC to LBHI2 under the three LBHI2 Sub-Debt Agreements in November 2006 (two long-term and one-short term).

The amount of the LBHI2 Sub-Debt (ie the claim under all three agreements, excluding accrued interest) has been estimated at around US\$2.2 billion.¹²

¹⁰ See the LBHI2 Administrators' most recent progress report dated 12 February 2021 for the period 14/7/20 to 13/1/21 at **[SB/2/65/701]** (“**the LBHI2 February 2021 Progress Report**”). The LBHI2 Administrators' progress reports are published every six months on the PricewaterhouseCoopers' website. As explained in the most recent progress report, the LBHI2 Administrators have been able to distribute a total of £204.7 million of the LBHI2 Surplus to PLC on account of the LBHI2 Sub-Debt to date, SLP3 having agreed to waive any entitlement to share in such distributions. SLP3 has, however, reserved its rights to receive a catch-up dividend at a later stage, to the extent that LBHI2 has sufficient funds **[SB/2/65/700]**. A further distribution (with SLP3's consent) will be made to PLC within two months of 12 February 2021 **[SB/2/65/701]**.

¹¹ The LBHI2 Administrators' 21st progress report for the period 14 January to 13 July 2019 estimated that future returns to subordinated creditors may be in the range of £300 million to £900 million **[SB/2/63/660]**.

¹² But may be increased by US\$961m depending upon the outcome of certain investigations identified in the most recent progress reports of the LBHI2 Administrators and the PLC Administrators (see the LBHI2 February 2021 Progress Report at **[SB/2/65/697 and 701]** and the PLC October 2020 Progress Report at **[SB/2/64/677]**). This issue was identified before the trial in front of Marcus Smith J but the parties were agreed that it had no impact on the issues for the Court to determine.

PLC's claim to the funds in the LBHI2 estate was referred to by Marcus Smith J as "Claim A" and the claims under each of the individual loan instruments as "Claim A(i)", "Claim A(ii)" and "Claim A(iii)".

- (b) **SLP3**: under floating rate notes issued in April 2007 pursuant to the terms of an offering circular dated 26 April 2007, as amended in early September 2008.

LBHI2's liabilities under the LBHI2 Sub-Notes are about US\$6.1 billion.

SLP3's claim to the funds in the LBHI2 estate was referred to by Marcus Smith J as "Claim B".

- 13. In the light of these figures, the anticipated LBHI2 Surplus is plainly insufficient to discharge the claims of PLC and SLP3 as subordinated creditors in full, and it is in this context that the priority dispute has arisen between them.

- (a) PLC contends that the LBHI2 Sub-Debt/Claim A ranks in priority to the LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B;
- (b) SLP3 contends that the LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B (both pre- and post- the September 2008 amendments) and the LBHI2 Sub-Debt/Claim A rank *pari passu* and, to the extent that the September 2008 amendments to the LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B altered that *pari passu* ranking, there should be rectification to 'undo' any such ranking alteration.

D. THE POSITION OF THE LBHI2 ADMINISTRATORS

- 14. It is right to point out that LBHI2 does have an economic interest in the PLC estate. It is a feature of the Lehman Group insolvency that much of the remaining debt comprises inter-company debt and that, because of the way in which that debt is held, there is a complex circuitry relating to cash-flows between Lehman Group companies. An example of this arises in this case. LBHI2 is an unsubordinated unsecured creditor of LBL which in turn is an unsubordinated unsecured creditor of PLC. It is thus in LBHI2's interests to maximise recoveries in the PLC estate because it will thereby benefit from enhanced distributions from that estate to LBL and in turn to LBHI2.

15. However, although LBHI2 has an economic interest in the PLC estate as identified, that interest is at levels which have priority to the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C and the PLC Sub-Notes/Claim D and is therefore unaffected by the disputes between the holders of subordinated unsecured debt and the LBHI2 Administrators do not advance any positive case on the issues arising in the PLC Application.
16. In relation to the LBHI2 Application, the LBHI2 Administrators adopted at trial¹³ and, on this appeal, adopt a neutral position on the priority dispute as between PLC and SLP3. They need to ensure, in their capacity as officeholders, that the LBHI2 Surplus can be distributed and that, when distributed, it is distributed on the correct basis, and in accordance with the agreements and other documents entered into by LBHI2, to the parties entitled to them.

E. THE ORDER OF MARCUS SMITH J

17. Marcus Smith J decided (see paragraph 1 of his Order **[CB/2/23/481]**) that the LBHI2 Sub-Debt/Claim A ranks ahead of the (amended) LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B. He granted SLP3 permission to appeal that part of the Order **[CB/2/23/481/paragraph 4]**. The appeal involves:
 - (a) Arguments as to the construction of, and interaction between, the subordination provisions in the documents which give rise to Claims A(i), A(ii) and A(iii) and Claim B;
 - (b) A rectification argument brought by SLP3 in connection with the subordination provisions of the LBHI2 Sub-Notes: if SLP3 succeed in showing that the LBHI2 Sub-Notes before the 3 September 2008 amendments ranked *pari passu* with the LBHI2 Sub-Debt but behind the LBHI2 Sub-Debt after the 3 September 2008 amendments, SLP3 seek rectification to 'undo' that alteration in the ranking between the LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B and LBHI2 Sub-Debt/Claim A.
18. The LBHI2 Administrators note that Deutsche Bank (which was joined to the proceedings in July 2018 by Mann J, but has only an indirect interest in the estate of

¹³ Judgment [25] **[CB/2/22/345]**.

LBHI2) did not make any submissions on the LBHI2 Application at trial but its Respondent's Notice dated 29 December 2020 [CB/1/6/47-55] raises additional reasons for asking the Court of Appeal to uphold paragraph 1 of Marcus Smith J's Order (which is the paragraph which dealt with the priority dispute and rectification arguments in the LBHI2 Application [CB/2/23/481]).

19. As explained above, the LBHI2 Administrators adopt a neutral position on the priority dispute in the LBHI2 estate. However, they do seek an outcome which enables them to carry out their officeholder function to distribute the LBHI2 Surplus. They note that all the parties and Marcus Smith J identified that, on the Judge's construction of the terms of the "A" (LBHI2 Sub-Debt) and "B" (LBHI2 Sub-Notes) instruments, there would potentially be an absurd outcome (see the Judgment at paragraphs 188 to 189 in particular [CB/2/22/402-405]), namely that the LBHI2 Surplus could in effect be 'frozen' and incapable of being distributed because of the operation of the solvency conditions in each of the "A" loan agreements.
20. Such an outcome should be avoided (and Marcus Smith J's Judgment set out a solution to the problem identified at paragraphs 246 to 251 [CB/2/22/421-422]). A summary of how the problem arises and how it was solved in Marcus Smith J's Judgment is as follows:
 - (a) The relevant parties were content to proceed at trial on the basis that Claims A(i), A(ii) and A(iii) ranked *pari passu* as between themselves and that "the LBHI2 Sub-Debt" (i.e. Claim A) could be treated as one claim (in part, at least, because it has been impossible to establish exactly how much was drawn down by LBHI2 under each of the three separate "A" loan agreements¹⁴).
 - (b) The Judgment, however, construes the subordination provisions in, and analyses the ranking as between, the three "A" claims separately.
 - (c) That analysis identified a potentially absurd result on the basis of the Judge's construction of the three "A" loan agreements and the provisions of the LBHI2 Sub-Notes/Claim B. The potentially absurd result was that the LBHI2 Surplus could in effect be 'frozen' and incapable of being distributed at all by the LBHI2

¹⁴ Judgment [188(1)] and [188(6)] [CB/2/22/402-404].

Administrators because of the operation of the solvency condition in the “A” loan agreements. In short, if the LBHI2 Surplus was insufficient to discharge the liabilities under all three of the “A” loan agreements in full, no distributions on any “A” loan agreement liability would be possible.¹⁵ That result would prevent the LBHI2 Administrators from carrying out one of their core functions and would frustrate one of the primary purposes of a distributing administration.

- (d) The Judge noted that all parties agreed that this outcome was commercially unacceptable and that the subordination provisions under consideration could not operate in that way.¹⁶
- (e) The Judge adopted a solution to the problem in the Judgment¹⁷ and paragraph 1 of the Order does not make any declaration in relation to how Claims A(i), A(ii) and A(iii) rank as between themselves.
- (f) The LBHI2 Administrators do not advance any positive contention as to whether the Judge’s solution (or any other solution) to the problem identified is correct or not.
- (g) However, the LBHI2 Administrators agree with the Judge (and the other parties) that such a problematic outcome was the effect of the Judge’s construction of the subordination provisions of the three “A” loan agreements and that a solution was needed (as explained at paragraph 189 of the Judgment [C/2/22/404-405]).
- (h) Any outcome which effectively ‘freezes’ the LBHI2 Surplus in the hands of the LBHI2 Administrations would result in the LBHI2 Administrators being unable to fulfil one of the fundamental duties of officeholders in a distributing insolvency process: the distribution of the company’s assets to its creditors in accordance with the statutory scheme: see Insolvency Act 1986, sections 107 and 143 in relation to liquidators, and paragraphs 65 to 67 of Schedule B1 in relation to administrators.

¹⁵ Judgment [188(7)], Table 5 and the paragraph starting “*Taking Scenario 1 – where Claims A(i), A(ii) and A(iii) are treated, as they should be, as distinct claims ...*” [CB/2/22/404].

¹⁶ Judgment [189] [CB/2/22/404-405].

¹⁷ Judgment [189] [CB/2/22/404-405] and [246]-[251] [CB/2/22/421-422].

F. THE DISPUTES IN THE PLC ESTATE

21. In economic terms, if PLC is successful in upholding the Order of Marcus Smith J on the LBHI2 Application, then there arises in the administration of the PLC estate an issue as to the respective ranking of the claims of its various subordinated creditors. PLC's liabilities to its subordinated creditors fall into three categories:¹⁸

- (a) **LBHI**: A liability of about US\$1.9 billion in respect of the PLC Sub-Debt, ie sums advanced under three subordinated loan agreements, two of which were made on 30 July 2004 and the third on 31 October 2005, now, by various assignments and other transactions, vested in LBHI.

LBHI was represented by the same legal team as represented SLP3 in the LBHI2 Application.

Its claim to the funds in the PLC estate was referred to by Marcus Smith J as "**Claim C**" and each claim under the individual loan agreements as "**Claim C(i)**", "**Claim C(ii)**" and "**Claim C(iii)**".

- (b) **GP1**: Liabilities of about US\$790 million arising under the PLC Sub-Notes, ie fixed rate notes issued pursuant to four offering circulars dated between March 2005 and February 2006.

The notes were issued to different limited partnerships, but those partnerships have a common general partner, GP1, now in liquidation and it claims against PLC's estate in respect of these liabilities.

GP1's claim to the funds in the PLC estate was referred to by Marcus Smith J as "**Claim D**".

Deutsche Bank is a holder of ECAPS issued by the partnerships which used the proceeds of the sale of ECAPS to subscribe for the PLC Sub-Notes.¹⁹

The extent to which Deutsche Bank (and other ECAPS holders) will be repaid depends on what, if anything, is paid by PLC to the partnerships (via GP1) under

¹⁸ Judgment [15]-[21] [CB/2/22/343-344].

¹⁹ Judgment [3(3)] [CB/2/22/340-341].

the PLC Sub-Notes/Claim C²⁰ and, accordingly, what, if anything, is paid by LBHI2 to PLC under the LBHI2 Sub-Debt/Claim A.

- (c) A potential guarantee liability under the ECAPS Guarantees, ie guarantees given by PLC to investors to whom each of the Partnerships issued ECAPS.

This was referred to as “**Claim E**” in the Judgment and all relevant parties agree that it ranks behind Claims C and D; a declaration was therefore included in Marcus Smith J’s Order (paragraph 10) but no detailed consideration was given to Claim E in the Judgment.²¹

22. The possibility of distributions to PLC’s subordinated creditors arises in the following circumstances:

- (a) As appears from the PLC October 2020 Progress Report [SB/2/64/675], PLC’s unsubordinated unsecured creditors have had their admitted claims paid in full and have had part-payment of their statutory interest entitlement, with further statutory interest of around £766.9 million needing to be paid before there can be distributions to PLC’s subordinated creditors;

- (b) Various factors which will affect the outcomes in the PLC estate have been identified by the PLC Administrators. If the Order of Marcus Smith J is upheld in both the LBHI2 and PLC Applications, the PLC Administrators expect that all unsubordinated unsecured creditors’ entitlements to statutory interest will be paid in full and that distributions will be made to its subordinated creditors, but that there will be insufficient funds to pay the holders of the PLC Sub-Debt and PLC Sub-Notes in full.

23. The priority dispute in the PLC Application is whether the PLC Sub-Notes/Claim D and the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C ranked *pari passu* for distribution from the PLC estate (LBHI’s position) or whether the PLC Sub-Notes/Claim D ranked ahead of the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C (the position advanced by both GP1 and Deutsche Bank).

24. Further issues were included in the PLC Application and determined at trial, namely:²²

²⁰ Judgment [19] [CB/2/22/344].

²¹ Judgment [21] [CB/2/22/344].

²² Judgment [31] [CB/2/22/347-348].

- (a) whether the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C had been released under a settlement agreement dated 24 October 2011; or
 - (b) whether LBHI's claims under the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C had been partially discharged by reason of payments made by LBHI as guarantor of PLC's liabilities of the PLC-Sub Debt;²³ and
 - (c) whether the claims under the PLC Sub-Notes/Claim D fell to be discounted in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 as provable future debts.
25. Marcus Smith J answered the first question in the negative (paragraph 5 of the Order **[CB/2/23/481]**) and the last question in the affirmative (paragraph 8 of the Order **[CB/2/23/482]**). He answered the second question in the negative (paragraph 6 of the Order **[CB/2/23/482]**).
26. Deutsche Bank applied for permission to appeal paragraphs 5, 6 and 8 (in addition to paragraph 7, ie the priority dispute). That was refused by the Judge **[CB/2/23/483/paragraph 16]** but, on a renewal of their application to the Court of Appeal, on 14 December 2020, Newey LJ granted Deutsche Bank permission to appeal in relation to paragraph 6 of the Order, ie the question of whether the PLC Sub-Debt/Claim C (held by LBHI) had been reduced, discharged or diminished by virtue of payments in respect of guarantee claims **[CB/2/28/493]**.
27. The LBHI2 Administrators advance no position on any of the points raised on the appeal in the PLC Application.

G. CONCLUSION

28. The LBHI2 Administrators are neutral as to the outcome of the appeal but will of course provide whatever assistance may be required or desirable.

²³ The PLC Sub-Debt/Claim D was originally entered into by LB Holdings as lender and PLC as borrower. LB Holdings was an indirect subsidiary of LBHI. LBHI guaranteed PLC's obligations to LB Holdings. LB Holdings recovered around 36% of the money owing to it under the PLC Sub-Debt because LBHI allowed the claim by LB Holdings under the guarantee (pursuant to a settlement agreement). The PLC Sub-Debt was assigned to LBHI by LB Holdings: see Judgment [289]-[290] **[CB/2/22/444]**.

29. Their reasons for bringing the Application in the first place was to ensure the funds within the LBHI2 insolvency estate are paid out correctly and, accordingly, invite the Court to make an order on the appeal which enables distributions to be made.

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