In the matter between:

FIRSTRAND BANK LIMITED, WESBANK DIVISION

Applicant

and

PMG MOTORS ALBERTON (PTY) LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

First Respondent

PMG MOTORS KYALAMI (PTY) LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

Second Respondent

PMG MOTORS WESTVILLE (PTY) LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

Third Respondent

## **Summary**

Companies - Application against joint liquidators of companies, which have been wound-up -Jurisdiction of court to hear and determine such application – Both Companies Act 61 of 1973 as well as Companies Act 71 of 2008 Act silent on the area of jurisdiction of a court in relation to proceedings after liquidation, where such proceedings do not relate to the winding-up of a company per se - Court in area where joint liquidators of a company have administrative offices has jurisdiction, even though place of central control of other joint liquidators is located in an area outside of area of court's jurisdiction - Notional "residence" of joint liquidators can accordingly take form of dual residency - Principles underlying companies having more than one "residence" within framework of previous legislation can potentially still apply in relation to joint liquidators if central control and/or joint administration of liquidated company for the benefit of creditors is conducted by more than one joint liquidator from more than one jurisdiction - s 23(3) of 2008 Act relating to registered office of a company being at the same location as the principal office of a company do not apply once a company is liquidated - new principles underlying s 23(3) do not apply retrospectively to joint liquidators of companies, which were already incorporated prior to the 2008 Act coming into effect - Considerations of convenience, justice and good sense also justify unnecessary multiplication of proceedings in relation the same subject matter on the basis of peculiar facts and circumstances of the present case

Insolvency – Creditors –Hypothec arising out of instalment sale agreement – Cancellation of sale agreement prior to insolvency – Insolvency Act 24 of 1936, s 84(2) – Applicability of s 84(2) contemplates an extant instalment sale "transaction" and not a transaction, which has already terminated – applicant entitled to entire proceeds of sale of goods, if transaction cancelled

# **Annotations:**

#### Reported cases

Absa Bank Ltd v Cooper NO and Others 2001 (4) SA 876: applied Attorney-General v Blumenthal 1961(4) SA 313 (T): referred to Bisonboard Ltd v Braun Woodworking Machinery 1991(1) SA 482 (AD): applied

Dairy Board v John T Rennie & Co (Pty) Ltd 1976(3) SA 768 (W): referred to De Villiers and Others NNO v Electronic Media Network (Pty) Ltd 1991 (2) SA 180 (W): referred to

Epsom Motors (Pty) Ltd v Estate Winson 1961 (1) SA 687 (E): applied

Fey NO v Lala Exporters 2011 (6) SA 181 (WLD): referred to

Griffin and Others v The Master and Others 2006(1) SA 187 (SCA): referred to

Ntsobi v Berlin Mission Society 1924 TPD 378: applied

Permanent Secretary, Department of Welfare v Nguxuza 2001(4) SA 1184 (SCA): applied Plascon-Evans Paints Ltd v Van Riebeeck Paints (Pty) Ltd 1984(3) SA 623 (AD): applied Ponnisamy and Another v Versailles Estates (Pty) Ltd 1973 (1) SA 372 (A): applied

President of the Republic of South Africa and Another v Hugo 1997 (4) SA 1 (CC): referred to

Roberts Construction Co. Ltd v Willcox Bros. (Pty) Ltd 1962 (4) 327 (AA): referred to

Roering and Others NNO v Nedbank Ltd 2013(3) SA 160 (GSJ): applied

Shepstone & Wylie and Others v Geyser NO 1998 (1) SA 354 (N): referred to

Sibakhulu Construction (Pty) Ltd v Wedgewood Village Golf Country Estate, 2013 (1) 191

(WCC): distinguished

Swart v Vosloo 1965(1) SA 100 (AD): applied

T W Beckett & Co Ltd v H Kroomer Ltd, 1912 AD 324: referred to

## **Unreported cases**

Airborne Express CC and Another v Van den Heever NO and Others (WLD Case No 05/18568): referred to

Imperial Bank Limited v Levinia Ramsaroop (in her capacity as liquidator of Dezzo Trading 213 (Pty) Limited & Others (case number 1893/2006): distinguished

### **Statutes**

Companies Act 61 of 1973: s 1; 12(1); s 348; s 367; s 386(1); s 386(3); s 386(4)(a); s

386(4)(f); s 386(5); s 387

Companies Act 71 of 2008: s 7(k); 23(3); a 131(1); s 9 of schedule 5,

Insolvency Act, 24 of 1936 : s 83; s 84;

Supreme Court Act 59 of 1959: s 19 (1)(a); s 19(3)

Uniform Rules of Court: r 4(1(a)(v)