



Frequently Asked Questions and Answers – August 23, 2022

1. What is the function of the Trustee?

On August 9, 2022, Aiden Pleterski (“**Pleterski**”) and AP Private Equity Limited (“**AP**”) (collectively the “**Debtors**”) were petitioned into bankruptcy whereby Grant Thornton Limited was appointed Trustee in Bankruptcy (“**Trustee**”) by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (the “**Court**”). The Debtors claimed to have operated an investment business in which, among other things, investor monies were invested into cryptocurrency and foreign exchange positions.

The Trustee’s duties are set out in the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*. The Trustee is a Court officer who, among other things, acts impartially for the benefit of the general body of creditors. The Trustee’s primary objective is to optimize the recovery from the Debtor’s assets for distribution to the creditors.

2. Who appointed Grant Thornton Limited as the Trustee?

Grant Thornton Limited was appointed by the Court as bankruptcy trustee on August 9th, 2022.. Our appointment was requested by creditors represented by Baker McKenzie LLP, but we are appointed by the Court and responsible to all creditors rather than just a group of creditors. Our appointment was in no way requested by Aiden Pleterski, and, in fact, the Trustee had never spoken with Pleterski prior to the appointment on August 9, 2022.

3. As an investor, what do I do now?

Investors with Pleterski or AP are encouraged to file a Proof of Claim to the Trustee. Investors are asked to file a claim in the amount of their principal investment with Pleterski or AP, less any amounts returned by the Debtors. To file a claim, investors are to complete a Proof of Claim for either Aiden Pleterski, AP Private Equity, or both. Investors are encouraged to attach copies of their investment agreement with the Debtors, as well as copies of bank drafts, wire transfers, or any other proof of payment made to one of the Debtors.

All Proof of Claim forms should be submitted by email to: Jesse.Cooper@ca.gt.com. For further details, please refer to the Instruction Letter on the case website. There is no cost associated with filing a proof of claim.

4. There are two Proof of Claim Forms, one for Aiden Pleterski, and one for AP Private Equity Limited. Which one do I fill out?

Pleterski and AP are considered to be two separate legal entities. The Proof of Claim should be submitted for the entity to which the investor remitted payment to. If your agreement was with AP, but you had paid Pleterski, please file a claim under Aiden Pleterski.

If you made payments to both entities, then please submit two Proof of Claim forms. Please claim against each entity the amount that was paid to that entity.

5. Which entity do I make my claim towards if I paid someone other than Aiden Pleterski or AP Private Equity?

If you did not pay Pleterski or AP directly then file a claim in the estate that you had a signed contract with (for example, if your payment was made to someone other than Pleterski or AP but you had a signed contract with AP then file your claim in the estate of AP).



6. What is the difference between a Mareva Order and a Bankruptcy Order?

A bankruptcy results in a worldwide asset freeze just like a Mareva and provides the Trustee with powers to seize and realize on assets. A bankruptcy benefits all creditors who establish a claim and treats unsecured creditors equally. In a Mareva, recovery is typically only by those persons who initiate the Mareva.

7. First meeting of Creditors

The first meeting of creditors is scheduled for **August 29, 2022, at 11:00 AM EST** at the offices of the Licensed Insolvency Trustee located at:

11th Floor
200 King Street West, Box 11
Toronto, Ontario
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Or by Conference Call, dial in number 647-749-9397
Conference ID 385-986-701#

The purposes of the first meeting of creditors includes, but is not limited to, presenting the Trustee's findings, having the opportunity to ask questions directly to the Debtors (i.e. Aiden Pleterski in this case), appointing inspectors and giving directions to the Trustee with respect to the administration of the estate.

There is no need to attend the meeting in order to file a claim and participate in any dividends payable. Creditors who have filed a proven claim in advance of the meeting are entitled to attend.

8. Trustee's case website

The Trustee has set up a Case Website to upload further communications, reports, and other documents in relation to the bankruptcy proceedings.

All questions about this bankruptcy proceeding and media requests relating to the Debtors should be directed to the Trustee.

The Trustee – Grant Thornton Limited

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Jesse.Cooper@ca.gt.com

Case Website:

www.GrantThornton.ca/AidenPleterski