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Summary Procedure Order Applications by Provisional Trustees in Bankruptcy Cases

The court have observed a lack of consistency in the applications for summary procedure orders ("SPO") by different provisional trustees in bankruptcy cases, resulting in many requisitions being raised by the court. With a view to streaming the application process, and making such process more efficient, the court, in consultation with the Official Receiver, have approved a template and two checklists that we consider appropriate for use in all cases.

I attached at Annex A to C the said template for the application and the checklists for creditor's petition and debtor's petition cases. With immediate effect, provisional trustees are expected to follow the said template and complete the relevant checklist in every SPO application. Provisional trustees must answer all questions on the relevant checklist for each application and sign the checklist.

We trust that this new arrangement will save the time required by provisional trustees in preparing the SPO applications and reduce the processing time required by the Court to approve the application.

Please circulate this letter to your members who are provisional trustees for their attention. Should there be any query on this letter, please contact the undersigned on 2867 2515.

Yours faithfully,

(Michael T S Cheung) for Official Receiver

"Annex A'

Ex-parte Application

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS

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		·	Re: []	_

Ex parte: [The Official Receiver / The Provisional Trustees]

APPLICATION FOR SUMMARY PROCEDURE ORDER

The [Official Receiver / Provisional Trustees] report(s) to the court as follows:

- 1. On [], a bankruptcy order was made against the above-named bankrupt.
- 2. The Official Receiver was appointed provisional trustee(s) by virtue of the bankruptcy order / and has appointed (name of the Provisional Trustees) as the joint and several provisional trustees of the bankruptcy in place of the Official Receiver under section 12(1A) of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, Cap. 6.
- 3. The [Official Receiver / Provisional Trustees] [has/have] made a preliminary investigation into the affairs of the bankrupt, including the extent of the bankrupt's assets. Particulars are confirmed in the attached checklist.
- 4. (Further information provided pursuant to Questions 1 and [3/4] of the Checklist.)
- 5. Based upon that investigation, the [Official Receiver / Provisional Trustees] believe(s) that the property of the bankrupt is not likely to exceed in value the sum of \$200,000.
- 6. In the circumstances, the [Official Receiver / Provisional Trustees] respectfully request(s) the court to order that the bankrupt's estate be administered in a summary manner and that:
 - (1) the first meeting of creditors shall be dispensed with;
 - (2) [the Official Receiver / (names of Trustees)] shall be the trustee(s) of the property of the bankrupt; and
 - (3) there shall be no creditors' committee, and the [Official Receiver / Trustees] may do all things which may be done by a trustee with the permission of a creditors' committee.

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"Annex B

Checklist for Summary Procedure Order Application (creditor's petition)

1.	Has/Have the Provisional Trustee(s) ("PT") intervie	wed			
	the Bankrupt?		Yes	No	
	(If no, please state efforts to locate the Bankrupt and	i his asso	ts in t	he rep	ort.)
2.	If yes to 1 above, has the Bankrupt submitted SOA?	,	Yes	No	N/A
3.	If yes to 2 above, has/have the PT checked all the as	ssets	,	1 1	•
	disclosed in the SOA?		Yes	No	N/A
4,	Has/Have the PT found assets not disclosed in the S	OA?	Yes	. No	N/A
	(If yes, please provide particulars in the report.)	1			
5.	Has/Have the PT checked the assets of the business	formerly	7	•	,
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Date: [

I confirm the above are true and correct

(name of the PT / officer for the OR)

"Annex C

Checklist for Summary Procedure Order Application (self-petition)

1. Has/Have the Provisional Trustee(s) ("PT") interviewed the Bankrupt? Yes No (If no, please state efforts to locate the Bankrupt and his assets in the report.) 2: Has/Have the PT checked all the assets disclosed in the SOA? Yes No (The PT should note that assets may be disclosed in Lists A and/or C of the SOA) 3. Has/Have the PT found assets not disclosed in the SOA? Yes No (If yes, please provide particulars in the report.) 4. Has/Have the PT checked the assets of the business formerly Yes No N/A operated by the Bankrupt? 5. Have the PT checked the disposal of the sum(s) disclosed in Yes No N/A List H of the SOA?

Date: [.

I confirm the above are true and correct

(name of the PT / officer for the OR)