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PURSUANT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

(Alexandria Division)

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BLUE FLAME MEDICAL LLC,

Plaintiff,

-against- Civil Action

No.

CHAIN BRIDGE BANK, N.A., JOHN J. 1:20-cv-00658

BROUGH, and DAVID M. EVINGER,

Defendants.

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CHAIN BRIDGE BANK, N.A.,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

-against-

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,

Third-Party Defendant.

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February 9, 2021

9:35 a.m.

Remote Videotaped Deposition of

RAKESH KORPAL, a 30(b)(6) Witness, held in

the above-entitled action, located in Tampa,

Florida, taken before Dawn Matera, a

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1 A. Had the funds been credited to
2 the ultimate beneficiary's account or
3 not.

4 Q. And if they had been credited
5 to the ultimate beneficiary's account,
6 that would mean they would not be able to
7 be returned to JPMorgan, correct?

8 MR. SCHOENFELD: Objection.

9 MR. BURKE: Objection to the
10 form.

11 Q. Can you answer that question,
12 Mr. Korpala?

13 A. The funds could be recovered.
14 However, it would require debit
15 authorization potentially from the
16 beneficiary or the beneficiary account
17 owner.

18 Q. And here, with respect to the
19 wire transfers we've been discussing
20 regarding Chain Bridge Bank and Blue
21 Flame Medical, are you aware of any
22 authorization of Blue Flame Medical to

1 return the funds to JPMorgan?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Did JPMorgan understand that
4 Blue Flame Medical was not involved --
5 let me rephrase that.

6 Did JPMorgan understand that
7 Blue Flame Medical had not authorized the
8 return of the funds to JPMorgan?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Was it JPMorgan's understanding
11 that Chain Bridge Bank had concerns that
12 there could be fraud with respect to this
13 transaction?

14 A. I don't believe they said
15 fraud. I think they just were
16 suspicious.

17 Q. Do you recall that they said
18 that the transaction didn't smell right
19 to them?

20 A. They just said that the
21 transaction was suspicious.

22 Q. Do you recall whether they had

1 million.

2 Q. And did you receive the
3 details?

4 A. I had received the details
5 subsequent to that conversation based on
6 my follow-up when she confirmed the
7 transaction had been completed.

8 Q. So what happened next,
9 Mr. Korpai? Did you review those
10 details?

11 A. I asked Tim Coffey to pull the
12 transaction details for me. I reviewed
13 the transaction details. And I asked Tim
14 Coffey to call Chain Bridge Bank to
15 determine if they knew the beneficiary of
16 the funds and what the disposition of the
17 transactions or the funds were at that
18 point.

19 He came back to me and
20 confirmed that they had received the
21 transaction. They were suspicious of it.
22 And they had held the funds and not

1 credited the account of Blue Flame
2 Medical.

3 Tim and I then spoke with Blue
4 Flame Medical to understand, again, the
5 disposition of the funds and what their
6 concerns were with the transaction.

7 They confirmed that the
8 transaction had not been credited to Blue
9 Flame Medical's account. This was a
10 newly established account with no
11 balances. And the account -- so then I
12 asked if they knew the owner of the
13 account and they said yes, he is a
14 lobbyist in the area.

15 Q. What did Chain Bridge Bank tell
16 Mr. Coffey with respect to the suspicions
17 they had relating to the transaction?

18 A. The first conversation that Tim
19 had with the Chain Bridge Bank was that
20 they were concerned with the size of the
21 transaction. They had never received a
22 transaction that large and that they were

1 had concerns with the transaction. And
2 then we subsequently discovered that the
3 remaining party also had concerns with
4 the diligence that was performed to
5 execute that transaction.

6 Q. And in your view, did all of
7 those concerns lead to a need for JP
8 Morgan to call the funds back?

9 A. There was not a need for JP
10 Morgan Chase to call the funds back.

11 Q. And why was that? Why wasn't
12 there a need?

13 MR. SCHOENFELD: Objection.

14 A. The funds were being held by
15 Chain Bridge Bank.

16 Q. Do you understand why
17 Mr. Coffey used the word "need" in
18 connection with the request to recall the
19 funds from Chain Bridge Bank?

20 A. If you could play that
21 recording again, or if you have a
22 transcript. I am not sure I understood

1 where "need" was utilized.

2 MR. BURKE: Zach, if you're able
3 to play the recording again, I think
4 it's, I think we could get it in the
5 first 30 seconds or so.

6 (Audio played.)

7 Q. Mr. Korpai, did you hear that
8 time Mr. Coffey's reference to a need to
9 call the funds back?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Do you have an understanding of
12 why he referred to a need to call the
13 funds back?

14 A. Yes. So we were concerned,
15 again, as I have articulated earlier,
16 that parties to the transaction, the
17 State of California, the originator of
18 the transaction, the beneficiary bank,
19 Chain Bridge Bank, the history of the
20 account, all were red flags.

21 So probably a poor choice on
22 his part around need. But we decided

1 that we would issue the recall request
2 that Chain Bridge Bank had suggested that
3 we do. So that we can return the funds
4 to the State of California.

5 Q. Do you recall hearing, towards
6 the end of the call, Mr. Coffey say:
7 We'll get that service message out now
8 and as quickly as you can return it, that
9 would be great?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And do you understand why
12 Mr. Coffey was asking Chain Bridge Bank
13 to return the funds quickly?

14 A. Yes. It would allow us to be
15 able to return the funds to the State of
16 California. And if they wanted to
17 re-execute the transaction, that there
18 was sufficient time for them to
19 re-execute the transaction.

20 Q. I so. During this call, did
21 Mr. Coffey ever refer to a suggestion or
22 request from Chain Bridge Bank that the