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ARIZONA SUPERIOR COURT
MARICOPA COUNTY

FIERCE INVESTMENTS LTD.,) No. CV 2019-005943
Plaintiff,)
v. AZTEC COPPER INC., an Arizona corporation;) MOTION IN SUPPORT OF) APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT) OF RECEIVER)) (Expedited consideration requested)
Defendant.)

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-1241, A.R.S. § 12-1242, and Rule 66 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff Fierce Investments Ltd. ("Fierce") respectfully requests that this Court enter an order appointing a receiver to take possession and control of Defendant Aztec Copper Inc. ("Aztec" or the "Company"). Fierce is a shareholder and a creditor of Aztec. Appointment of a receiver is necessary to protect Fierce's equity and debt interests. This Motion is filed in support of Fierce's Verified Complaint for Appointment of Receiver filed in this matter ("Verified Complaint" or "Application") and is supported by the accompanying Memorandum of Points and Authorities. A proposed order setting an Order to Show Cause ("OSC") hearing is filed herewith, as is a proposed order appointing a receiver.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. Relevant Background

This is an action pursuant to Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure 66 and A.R.S. § 12-1241 for appointment of a receiver for Aztec to protect and preserve the property and rights of Fierce. In 2018, Fierce filed an action to inspect the books and records of Aztec based on, among other things, concerns that its shares have been improperly diluted, that Aztec is being mismanaged, and that Aztec's current director and officer(s) are engaged in misconduct. See CV2018-003675 (the "Books and Records Lawsuit"). Fierce obtained a judgment directing Aztec and its director and officer(s) to produce the Company's books and records for inspection and to appear for depositions in Arizona no later than January 4, 2019. See CV2018-003675 (Judgment entered 12/02/18) ("the Books and Records Judgment," attached to the Verified Complaint as Exhibit A). Aztec failed to comply with the Books and Records Judgment.

In 2018, Fierce also filed a second action to require Aztec to hold an annual meeting pursuant to A.R.S. § 10-703 because Aztec had failed to hold annual shareholder meetings and failed to provide notice of such meetings to Fierce. See CV2018-006866 ("the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit"). Fierce obtained judgment in the second case, which ordered Aztec and its director and officer to hold a shareholder meeting in Arizona in early 2019, to provide a list of shareholders to Fierce, and to appear for their depositions in Arizona no later than January 4, 2019. See CV2018-006866 (Judgment entered December 4, 2018) ("the Shareholder Meeting Judgment," attached to the Verified Complaint as Exhibit B). Aztec and its director and officer(s) also failed to comply with the Shareholder Meeting Judgment.

Aztec's defiance of these two Judgments, coupled with its recent alarming conduct and inaccurate suggestion that Fierce voluntarily cancelled its shares of Aztec, caused Fierce to file this action seeking appointment of a receiver. Fierce seeks appointment of a receiver for the purpose of ensuring that the two Judgments are complied with—namely, that an annual shareholder meeting is held <u>after</u> Aztec produces its books and records for inspection and permits

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depositions of its director and officer, so that Fierce and other shareholders may exercise their rights at that meeting. Fierce anticipates that a receivership would no longer be necessary following a duly held shareholder meeting at which, among other things, directors and officers would be selected by Aztec's shareholders.

Fierce Is a Shareholder of Aztec

Fierce is an Aztec shareholder, and has been a shareholder since 2002. [Verified Complaint for Appointment of Receiver ("Complaint") at ¶ 4]

Aztec's director, officer(s) and/or counsel now seek to improperly deprive Fierce of its ownership interest in Aztec. Yet, the directors and officer(s) of Aztec are not properly managing the Company or satisfying their respective responsibilities, including but not limited to complying with the Books and Records Judgment and the Shareholder Meeting Judgment. Moreover, Aztec's director, officer(s) and/or counsel have failed to hold annual shareholder meetings, failed to hold meetings of its board of directors, and failed to take other steps necessary and appropriate to maintain the corporate form.

Fierce's concerns regarding its ownership interest in Aztec are heightened by information it received in response to its January 26, 2018 demand for books and records. A Canadian lawyer, responding to the pre-suit books and records demand, represented that an entity incorporated under Canadian law, "1829752 Alberta Inc.," is the successor-in-interest to Aztec Copper Inc. [Complaint, ¶ 8]

Aztec's Canadian counsel has refused to provide information about 1829752 Alberta Inc., its shareholders, how it purportedly became the successor in interest to Aztec, and what interest Fierce may hold in 1829752 Alberta Inc. [Id., ¶ 19] Prior to February 21, 2018, Fierce never received notice of any purported acquisition, merger or other business combination involving Aztec and 1829752 Alberta Inc., nor do the records of the Arizona Corporation Commission reflect any such acquisition, merger or other business combination. [Id., ¶ 20]

In its unsuccessful Motion to Set Aside Default, filed in the Books and Records Lawsuit on August 20, 2018, Aztec indicated (without admissible evidence or sound explanation) that Fierce is no longer a shareholder in Aztec. Accordingly, Fierce seeks appointment of a receiver to protect Fierce's rights as a shareholder, as well as to ensure compliance with the Shareholder Meeting Judgment and the Books and Records Judgment.

Fierce's Action for Annual Shareholder Meeting

On March 6, 2018, Fierce filed suit in Arizona Superior Court seeking, among other things, a court order requiring Aztec to hold a duly noticed annual shareholder meeting pursuant to A.R.S. § 10-703. Fierce's Complaint in the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit alleged (at ¶ 7) that it acquired 40,000,000 Aztec shares in October 2002, and is a shareholder in the Company. Significantly, Aztec never answered the Complaint and thus did not contest that allegation.

The Shareholder Meeting Judgment confirms that Fierce "has a right to participate in annual shareholder meetings of the Company pursuant to A.R.S. § 10-703 and the Bylaws of the Company." [Ex. B to Complaint, Shareholder Meeting Judgment, § A]

The Shareholder Meeting Judgment also declared that "Aztec has failed to hold timely annual meetings and has failed to give notice to Fierce of such annual shareholder meetings." [Id., § B] The Shareholder Meeting Judgment ordered Aztec "to promptly hold an annual meeting in Maricopa County for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting." [Id., § C]

The Shareholder Meeting Judgment ordered "Aztec, its counsel, and all those acting in concert with it to set the annual shareholder meeting within forty (40) days" of December 4, 2018, and to give notice of the meeting to Fierce and other shareholders of record not less than ten days before the meeting was held. [Id., § D] Neither Aztec, its counsel, or its officer(s) and director complied with the order requiring that the annual shareholder meeting be held in Maricopa County within 40 days of December 4, 2018 (i.e., by January 13, 2019). [Complaint,

¶ 29] Indeed, Aztec still has not held the annual shareholder meeting required by the Shareholder Meeting Judgment.

The Shareholder Meeting Judgment also ordered Aztec, its counsel, and all those acting in concert with it to deliver to Fierce's counsel a list of those shareholders entitled to receive notice and to vote at the annual meeting within ten days. [Ex. B to Complaint, § E] Canadian counsel for Aztec belatedly sent a list of names (with no other information) to counsel for Fierce, but Aztec still has not complied with its obligation under the Shareholder Meeting Judgment and under A.R.S. § 10-720 to supply a valid shareholders' list. *See, e.g.,* A.R.S. § 10-720 ("The list shall be arranged by voting group, and within each voting group by class or series of shares, and shall show the address of and number of shares held by each shareholder."). [Complaint, ¶ 32]

The Shareholder Meeting Judgment ordered Aztec to make its director and officer(s) of record (Ron Arnold and Christine Reeves) available for deposition in Arizona by Fierce's counsel within thirty days to answer questions relevant to the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit and the related Books and Records Lawsuit. [Ex. B to Complaint, § F] Mr. Arnold and Ms. Reeves failed to appear at their duly noticed, court-ordered depositions on January 2, 2019. [Complaint, ¶¶ 34 & 35]

Fierce filed a Motion for Contempt in the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit on March 20, 2019 for failure to comply with the Shareholder Meeting Judgment. See Declaration of K. Beauchamp in Support of Motion for Contempt, attached as Exhibit C to the Complaint.

The Arizona Superior Court ordered Aztec to pay Fierce's attorneys' fees in the amount of \$10,884 and costs in the amount of \$679 in a Minute Entry dated February 20, 2019. [Exhibit D to Complaint] Aztec has failed to pay the attorneys' fees and costs as ordered in the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit. As a result, Fierce is a creditor of Aztec.

Demand to Inspect Books and Records; Rejection of Inspection Rights

On January 26, 2018, Fierce made a demand to inspect the books and records of the Company (the "Demand"). The Demand was delivered to the statutory agent for the Company

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and to the business address provided for the Company in the records of the Arizona Corporation Commission. [Complaint, ¶¶ 39 & 40]

The Demand was forwarded by the Company's statutory agent to Ron Arnold and Christine Reeves, as the officer and director of record for Aztec, as evidenced by the fact that Canadian counsel representing Arnold, Reeves, and Aztec subsequently communicated with Fierce's counsel on these issues. $[Id., \P 41]$

Fierce sought to inspect certain books and records for the purposes of obtaining an informed understanding of the true financial condition of Aztec; assessing the value of the Fierce shares; and determining whether the affairs of Aztec have been conducted appropriately under applicable law. [Id., ¶42]

Fierce requested the following books and records in its Demand:

- the articles or restated articles of incorporation of the Company and all amendments thereto;
- bylaws or restated bylaws of the Company and all amendments thereto;
- resolutions adopted and/or voted on by the board of directors creating one or more classes or series of shares;
- minutes of all shareholders meetings, and records of all action taken by shareholders of the Company without a meeting;
- written communications to any or all shareholders;
- financial statements prepared in accordance with A.R.S. § 10-1620;
- any agreement among shareholders under A.R.S. § 10-732;
- minutes of any meeting of the board of directors, records of any action of a committee of the board of directors while acting in place of the board of directors, minutes of any meeting of the shareholders and records of action taken by the shareholders or board of directors without a meeting;
- accounting records of the Company, including but not limited to
 - o its general ledger,
 - o annual profit and loss statements,
 - o year-end balance sheets, and

- o documentation of any payments (whether loans, reimbursement of expenses, salary, or otherwise) from the Company to any shareholder, officer or director;
- the record of shareholders of the Company; and
- the Company's most recent financial statements showing in reasonable detail its assets and liabilities and the results of its operations.

[Id., ¶ 43]

On February 21, 2018, Fierce received a response to its Demand from legal counsel purporting to represent "1829752 Alberta Inc., previously Aztec Copper Inc." The February 21, 2018 letter asserted that 1829752 Alberta Inc. is incorporated under Alberta statutes and is not subject to the Arizona statute cited in the Demand. Therefore, Aztec rejected the request to inspect the books and records. [Id., ¶¶ 44-45] Aztec has never produced its books and records to Fierce.

Fierce's Books and Records Action

Following rejection of its demand to inspect the books and records of Aztec, Fierce filed the Books and Records Lawsuit against Aztec, Ron Arnold (the Company's President and CEO), and Christine Reeves (the Company's Director and possibly also an Officer).

Fierce's Complaint in the Books and Records Lawsuit sought an order enforcing its right to inspect Aztec's books and records pursuant to A.R.S. § 10-1604 and the common law. Fierce's Complaint in the Books and Records Lawsuit also sought an order declaring that Arnold and Reeves had breached their fiduciary duties to Fierce.

Fierce's Complaint in the Books and Records Lawsuit alleged (at ¶ 9) that it acquired 40,000,000 Aztec shares in October 2002, and is a shareholder in the Company. Aztec did not contest that allegation. [Complaint, ¶ 47]

The Books and Records Judgment, entered December 2, 2018, declares that "Fierce has the right to inspect the books and records of Aztec under A.R.S. § 10-602 but has been denied

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its right to conduct such inspection." [See Ex. A to Complaint, Books and Records Judgment, § A]

The Books and Records Judgment also provides: "Aztec, its counsel, and all those acting in concert with it are HEREBY ORDERED to produce and/or make available for inspection the books and records of the Company to Fierce within ten (10) days of the date of this order at the offices of Fierce's counsel in Phoenix Arizona." [Id. at § B]

Aztec, its counsel and its director and officer(s) have not complied with the Books and Records Judgment because they have not made Aztec's books and records available for inspection by Fierce's counsel. [Complaint, ¶ 52]

The Books and Records Judgment also "FURTHER ORDERED that Aztec shall make its director and officer of record—Ron Arnold and Christine Reeves—available for deposition in Arizona by [Fierce's] counsel within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order to answer questions relevant to this action (including enforcement of this Judgment) and to the related [Shareholder Meeting] lawsuit filed by Fierce." [Ex. A to Complaint, § B]

Aztec failed to comply with the Books and Records Judgment directing it to make Mr. Arnold and Ms. Reeves available for deposition in Arizona. Mr. Arnold and Ms. Reeves failed to appear at their duly noticed, court-ordered depositions on January 2, 2019. [Complaint, ¶¶ 54-55]

On March 13, 2019, the Arizona Superior Court ordered Aztec to pay Fierce's attorneys' fees in the amount of \$8,150 and costs in the amount of \$435.90. [See Ex. E to Complaint, Order Granting App'n for Attorneys' Fees & Costs] Aztec has failed to pay the award of attorneys' fees and costs as ordered in the Books and Records Lawsuit. As a result, Fierce is a creditor of Aztec. [Complaint, ¶¶ 56-57]

Fierce filed a Motion for Contempt in the Books and Records Lawsuit on March 20, 2019 for failure to comply with the Books and Records Judgment. [See Declaration of K. Beauchamp in Support of Motion for Contempt, attached as **Exhibit F** to the Complaint]

II. Appointment of a Receiver Is Necessary to Preserve and Protect Fierce's Interests.

A.R.S. § 12-1241 provides that this Court "or a judge thereof may appoint a receiver to protect and preserve property or the rights of parties therein, even if the action includes no other claim for relief." The legal standard for appointing a receiver is straightforward: "The statute simply requires the trial court to determine that the property or the rights of the parties need protection." *Gravel Res. of Ariz. v. Hills*, 217 Ariz. 33, 37, 170 P.3d 282, 286 (App. 2007). A petitioner "need not show irreparable harm or lack of an adequate legal remedy to obtain the appointment of a receiver." *Id.* "The decision to appoint a receiver 'rests in the sound legal discretion of the trial court." *Id.* (quoting *D&S Farms v. Producers Cotton Oil Co.*, 16 Ariz. App. 180, 182, 492 P.2d 429, 431 (App. 1972)).

In *Gravel*, the petitioners requested the appointment of a receiver based on both the waste of partnership assets and also the refusal to provide access to the business's records, and the court upheld the appointment of a receiver in those circumstances. *Id.* at 37-38, 170 P.3d at 286-87. The court noted that the petitioners and the other partner had "diametrically opposed interests," which were unmanageable, and that the receiver was required to manage the business's affairs. *Id.* The circumstances in this case are similar to those in *Gravel*, because Aztec has refused to provide access to books and records, as required by the Judgments of this Court. Fierce also has legitimate concerns that Fierce's shares have been improperly diluted, and that the Directors and Officers are mismanaging the Company and engaging in misconduct. This also presents an independent basis for appointing a receiver. *See e.g., Braslawsce v. Craig Ranch Golf Course, L.L.C.*, No. 2 CA-CV 2009-0146, 2010 WL 2968551, at *1-3 (Ariz. Ct. App. July 28, 2010) (affirming appointment of receiver to complete forensic accounting of association's books and records based on mismanagement, directors' misconduct and gross negligence, and conflict of interests among owners).

As these authorities show, the appointment of a receiver requires a relatively low burden of proof. The party requesting the appointment of a receiver need merely show a need for protection. Plaintiff easily meets this standard.

Fierce Is a Shareholder of Aztec

First, there can be no dispute that Fierce is a shareholder of Aztec. Not only is there sworn testimony on that issue in the Verified Complaint (at ¶ 14), this issue was decided in both the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit and in the Books and Records Lawsuit. Fierce's ownership of Aztec stock was an essential element in each of those actions, because not only was it alleged in the respective complaints, Fierce could not have obtained a judgment compelling a shareholders' meeting and a judgment compelling inspection of Aztec's books and records if Fierce were not a shareholder in Aztec.

Aztec never answered either complaint, and did not assert as a defense in either of those actions that Fierce was not a shareholder. Accordingly, it is precluded from doing so now (even assuming it had admissible evidence to refute the verified complaint, which it does not). *See Pettit v. Pettit*, 218 Ariz. 529, 533 ¶ 10 (App. 2008) (holding that under the doctrine of claim preclusion "a second claim is precluded 'not only upon facts actually litigated but also upon those points which might have been litigated."") (citations omitted).

In *Pettit*, for example, the parties went through divorce proceedings in which the father did not contest the paternity of his minor daughter. Years after the dissolution decree became final, and in response to the mother's attempt to enforce child support, the father sought an order requiring paternity testing on the ground that "[i]nformation has come to light to give [Father] reasonable doubt as to his paternity of [Daughter]." *Id.* at $530 \, \P \, 3$. The court held that claim preclusion barred the father from litigating the issue. *Id.* at $533 \, \P \, 10$. As the court explained, "[b]ecause Father could have raised his non-paternity as a defense in the dissolution action, he is precluded from now doing so, although a valid test might conclusively demonstrate whether

he is Daughter's biological father." *Id.* (citing, among other authorities, Restatement (Second) of Judgments § 18).

It is of no consequence that the Judgments in the Shareholder Meeting Lawsuit and the Books and Records Lawsuit were default judgments; though issue preclusion cannot be applied to a default judgment, claim preclusion can. *See, e.g., Circle K Corp. v. Indus. Comm'n of Ariz.*, 179 Ariz. 422, 425 (App. 1993). On this point, Section 18 of the Restatement (Second) of Judgments—cited favorably in *Pettit*—provides as follows:

When a valid and final personal judgment is rendered in favor of the plaintiff:

- (1) The plaintiff cannot thereafter maintain an action on the original claim or any part thereof, although he may be able to maintain an action upon the judgment; and
- (2) In an action upon the judgment, the defendant cannot avail himself of defenses he might have interposed, or did interpose, in the first action.

And an illustration to that Section is nearly on all fours with the facts of this case:

A brings an action against B on a promissory note. B defaults. Judgment is given for A. A brings an action against B on the judgment. In this action B is precluded from denying that he executed the note and from setting up an affirmative defense such as fraud or illegality.

Restatement (Second) of Judgments § 18, cmt. c, illustration 4.

The result is the same here. That is, because Aztec could have raised Fierce's alleged non-ownership of Aztec stock as a defense, but did not do so, the Judgments in those two actions are conclusive as a function of claim preclusion.

Appointment of a Receiver Is Necessary and Appropriate

As a shareholder, and as a creditor, Fierce has an interest in the Company and therefore has standing to request appointment of a receiver. A receiver is needed here to preserve and protect Fierce's interest as a shareholder and as a creditor. A receiver is also needed to ensure that the interests of Fierce (and perhaps other shareholders) are not transferred, damaged, devalued, or otherwise altered.

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The Company's response to Fierce's books and records request has raised serious concerns about whether the shares Fierce owns have been improperly diluted. The Company has also failed to comply with the Judgments entered against it by this Court requiring that the Company produce its books and records and make its Officer of record available for deposition in Arizona. The Company's troubling response to Fierce's books and records request and its failure to comply with Court orders demonstrates the need to protect Fierce's interest as a shareholder in the Company by appointing a receiver to hold a shareholder meeting and temporarily manage the Company. Once the receiver holds a shareholder meeting and the Company has in place Directors and Officers who will appropriately manage the Company and protect the shareholders' interests, it may be appropriate to dissolve the receivership.

Fierce requests that Keith Bierman of MCA Financial Group be appointed as the receiver. Mr. Bierman and his firm are well-respected and experienced, and possess the necessary qualifications to act as receiver. A copy of Mr. Bierman's curriculum vitae is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

III. Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, Fierce requests that the Court promptly enter an order directing Defendant to appear and show cause why a receiver should not be appointed. A proposed form of order setting an OSC hearing is being submitted separately herewith.

Following the OSC hearing, Fierce requests that a receiver be appointed in accordance with the requirements of Arizona statutes and Rule 66 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure. A proposed Order Appointing Receiver is being submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted 29th day of March, 2019.

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Exhibit 1



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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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MCA Financial Group, Ltd. – May 2001 to Present, Phoenix, Arizona

MCA provides financial advisory and consulting services to courts, businesses, financial institutions and investor groups in the areas of financial restructuring, fiduciary services, asset disposition, business valuation, forensic accounting, mergers and acquisitions, business oversight/monitoring, corporate finance and capital formation.

Keith is a founding member of MCA and is responsible for oversight and management of many of MCA's most complex and significant engagements.

Keith's industry experience is broad and includes aviation, aerospace and defense, mining, healthcare, manufacturing, retail, homebuilding, construction, real estate, financial services, commercial lending, hospitality, and information technology.

Keith and MCA have served as court appointed receiver in over 150 separate matters in both federal and state courts in Arizona, Nevada, California, Oregon, Texas and other states. MCA also has significant experience serving in the roles of Chapter 7 Trustee, Chapter 11 Trustee and Liquidating Agent pursuant to appointments by various bankruptcy courts.

Keith frequently acts as an expert witness in complex litigation matters in the areas of forensic accounting, valuation, damages, avoidance actions, interest rates, and other matters. Keith has been qualified as an expert in Arizona, Illinois, Wisconsin and Nevada. A summary of Keith's relevant testimony is attached hereto.

Controller

Homebid, Inc. - November 1999 to April 2001, Phoenix, Arizona

Homebid, an application service provider for the residential real estate industry, developed a purchase offer and transaction management platform for management of the complete home buying and selling process from the initial offer to the close of escrow. Homebid's customers included 50 of the top 250 residential real estate brokerages in the United States.



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Keith was a member of the management team responsible for all aspects of financial management of the company. Keith managed \$41 million of venture capital financing from three top tier venture capital firms and played a key role in the successful sale of the company to a major competitor.

Supervising Senior – Assurance and Business Advisory Practice KPMG, LLP - September 1996 to November 1999, Phoenix, Arizona

KPMG is a highly respected international accounting and consulting firm. While at KPMG, Keith supervised assurance and consulting engagements for public and private clients in various industries including; real estate, title and escrow, retail, construction, e-commerce, transportation, financial services and manufacturing.

Keith's responsibilities included coordination and supervision of all aspects of audit engagements, performance of high-risk audit areas, preparation and review of financial statements, research of technical accounting issues, and training and evaluation of professional staff.

Keith supervised various SEC reporting engagements including preparation and review of Forms 10-K and 10-Q, and involvement in initial public offerings and secondary debt and equity placements. Keith also managed specialized consulting engagements including corporate finance transactions, forensic services, litigation support, internal control reviews, agreed-upon-procedures and due diligence reviews relating to business combinations.

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona
 Bachelor of Science in Accounting, magna cum laude

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Certified Public Accountant State of Arizona
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

• Member of the Phoenix Thunderbirds, host of the Waste Management Phoenix Open, which has raised more than \$130 million for Phoenix area charities

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The following table summarizes Keith Bierman's trial testimony experience during the last five years:

Date	Туре	Court	Matter Name	Area(s) of Testimony
Apr-12	Deposition/ Trial	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	James Lawrence v. Futuro D'Esperanza et al.	Testified regarding damages stemming from a failed real estate development in Scottsdale, Arizona.
Oct-12	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona	Daniel and Wendy Schayes (Debtor)	Interest rates, Plan feasibility.
Oct-12	Trial Testimony	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Guaranty Bank v. Rancho Tuscana, LLC	Damages associated with a failed housing development in Cave Creek, Arizona.
Oct-12	Deposition/ Trial	United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois	GAC Storage Copley Place, LLC (Debtor)	Interest rates, Plan feasibility.
Various 2013	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona	FR160, LLC	Plan feasibility and other matters.
Jun-13	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois	George Haldes (Debtor)	Plan feasibility and interest rates.
Jul-13	Deposition/ Trial	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Nextgear v. Fast Track Automotive	Damages associated with contempt allegations.
Aug-13	Deposition/ Trial	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Phillip Grimm v. Roger Hayward et al.	Testified concerning damages associated with the sale of a business.
Sep-13	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada	Horizon Ridge Medical Center (Debtor)	Plan feasibility and interest rates.

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Date	Type	Court	Matter Name	Area(s) of Testimony
Various 2013 and 2014	Trial Testimony	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	IMH v. David P. Maniatis et al.	Testified regarding forensic accounting investigation.
Oct-13	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada	Frontier Shopping Center, LLC (Debtor)	Plan feasibility and interest rates.
Mar-14	Deposition	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Shapiro v. Bradley	Damages, valuation and tax matters.
Apr-14	Deposition/ Trial	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	KEG Restaurants et al. v. Jones et al.	Testified as an expert concerning damages, valuation matters.
May-14	Trial Testimony	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada	Eastern Promenade II, LLC.	Plan feasibility and interest rates.
Jun-16	Deposition/ Trial	United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Western Wisconsin	Capitol Lakes, Inc.	Plan feasibility and interest rates.
Sept – 16, Apr-17, Apr-18	Deposition	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Strock v. ANW	Damages stemming from a breach of contract.
Apr-17	Trial Testimony	Superior Court of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Timothy R. Wright v. Pandora Holdings, LLC	Testified regarding accounting matters, internal controls, GAAP accounting.
Aug-17	Trial Testimony	Private Arbitration	Doolittle v. Base Commerce, LLC	Testified regarding GAAP accounting, damages, employment matters.
Mar-18	Trial Testimony	Private Arbitration	TSA Group USA Ltd. v. Dover Shores Limited Partnership, LP et al.	Testified regarding real estate valuation, accounting matters, application of partnership agreement provisions.

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Date	Туре	Court	Matter Name	Area(s) of Testimony
May -	Deposition	Superior Court	Thunderbird	Damages stemming
18	Testimony	of the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa	Collection Services v. Summit Healthcare	from a breach of contract claim.
June -	Trial	Binding	Oro Express	Partner capital account
2018	Testimony	Arbitration		accounting and forensic accounting issues associated with a partnership dispute.
Novem	Arbitration	Binding	4Front Advisors v.	Damages stemming
ber –	Testimony	Arbitration	CWNevada and	from a breach of
2018			Nuveda	contract claim.
Decem	Deposition	Superior Court	Gilbert 60, LLC v.	Lost profits damages
ber -	Testimony	of the State of	Native Grill and	stemming from a breach
2018		Arizona, County	Wings	of a franchise
		of Maricopa		agreement.
March	Trial	Superior Court	Larriva v. Goldberg	Partnership dispute
- 2019	Testimony	of the State of		regarding partnership
		Arizona, County		accounting issues and
		of Maricopa		forensic accounting.