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12	In Re:	) <b>CASE NO:</b> 1:11-bk-13715-MT
13	CENTER COURT PARTNERS, LLC,	
14 15 16	Debtor.	<ul> <li>NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION</li> <li>FOR USE OF CASH COLLATERAL</li> <li>PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 363(c);</li> <li>MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND</li> <li>AUTHORITIES AND DECLARATIONS</li> </ul>
17		OF ROGER MEYER IN SUPPORT THEREOF
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1	TO ALL THE PARTIES INTERESTED:							
2	Debtor-in-Possession, Center Court Partners, LLC., ("Debtor"), brings this							
3	instant Motion for Authorization For Use of Cash Collateral(the "Motion"), Debtor							
4	hereby files this Notice and Motion for Use of Cash pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §363(c);							
5	Memorandum of Points and Authorities and Declaration of Roger Meyer in Support							
6	Thereof.							
7	The Motion should be granted as the money is necessary for Debtor to pay							
8	ongoing financial obligations to maintain the Debtor's business, which is Debtors							
9	primary asset. This Motion is based upon the attached Memorandum of Points and							
10	Authorities, the Declaration of Roger Meyer in support thereof, and all other							
11	pleadings and files in this matter and upon such additional evidence and argument							
12	as may be presented at or before the time of the hearing on this mater.							
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15	Dated: June 6, 2011 LAW OFFICES OF MARTIN D. GROSS							
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### I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 1. On March 25, 2011 (the "Petition Date"), Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 2. Debtor is continuing in the operation and management of its business pursuant to Bankruptcy Code §1107 and §1108.
- 3. Debtor owns a commercial property located at 29501 Canwood Street, Agoura Hills, CA 91301 (the "Property"). The monthly rent receipts are the Debtor's sole source of income.
- 4. On or about August 7, 2007, the Debtor executed and delivered to Montecito Bank and Trust certain loan and security documents evidencing a construction loan by Montecito Bank & Trust to Debtor in the principal amount of \$10,000,000.00, which was assigned loan number 7-4-25549, by Montecito Bank and Trust and had a February 25, 2009 maturity date, subject to earlier acceleration upon any default.
  - 5. The Loan was documented, in part, by the following:
    - a. Promissory note dated August 7, 2007 in the original amount of \$10,000,000.00.
    - b. Deed of trust executed August 7, 2007 which created a lien in first position in Montecito Bank & Trust favor on the Property to secure the Debtors obligations owed to Montecito Bank & Trust under the Note and Loan.
- 6. The Bank entered into two forbearance agreements the latter of which expired. There remains a \$9,000,000.00 principal and a disputed unpaid interest.
- 7. Debtor is not aware of Montecito Bank and Trust's security interest in the Cash Collateral in the written loan documents.
- 8. Pursuant to provisions of §361, §363(c), and §363(e), of the Bankruptcy Code, and subject to the limitations set forth below, the Debtor requests

to use and disburse "Cash Collateral", as that term is defined in §363(a), in the

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Debtors gross monthly budget amounts designated in Debtors's Estimated

Expenses Budget ("Budget") through December 23, 2011 or sooner if such event should take place as set forth in the Motion. A true and correct copy of the Budget is

attached to the Motion, as Exhibit #1 and its terms incorporated herein by this

9 reference.

> 9. The Debtor shall disburse funds from the DIP Account only in the amounts set forth in the Budget. Absent Court order to the contrary, in no event shall the Debtor disburse from the DIP Account more than the aggregate amounts set forth in the Budget subject to a 15% variance (the "Maximum Disbursement"). Any amounts in excess of the Maximum Disbursements shall remain in the DIP Account and shall not be disbursed or otherwise available to the Debtor absent entry of a further Court Order or consent of Montecito Bank & Trust and the Debtor.

#### I. ARGUMENT

Α. Funds Held in Debtor in Possession Account Are Cash Collateral as Defined by 11 U.S.C. §363(a).

11 U.S.C. §363(a) defines "cash collateral" as:

"...cash, negotiable instrument, documents of title, securities, deposit accounts, or other cash equivalents whenever acquired in which the estate and an entity other than the estate have an interest and includes the proceeds, products, offspring, rents, or profits of property...whether existing before or after commencement of a case under this title."

The Debtor operates a single asset real property with two current tenants. Monthly rent is collected on a monthly basis from the two tenants. The monthly rent is Debtor's only source of income and are being held in the DIP Account Accordingly, the monthly rents, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §363(e), qualify as cash collateral.

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# B. Cash Collateral Use Should be Authorized as the Sole Secured Creditor's Interest will Remain "Adequately Protected."

that the "interest" of creditors holding liens on the subject collateral will remain

"adequately protected," 11 U.S.C. §363(e). Pursuant to United States v. Timbers of

Inwood Forest, 484 U.S. 365, 108S.Ct. 626 (1988), the "interest property" entitled to

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adequate protection under 11 U.S.C. §363(e) is no more or less than the "value of the collateral" that is subject to the secured creditor's lien.

Here, the Cash Collateral is being used to pay the necessary monthly expenses to maintain the Property and service its tenants. The Cash Collateral is derived from the monthly rent which is the Debtors sole source of income. The collateral to maintain the daily operations of the property, will not cause a decline in the value of the Property, and the property will be well maintained and generating

To obtain court authorization to use cash collateral, a debtor must establish

C. Identification of Provision in Motion as Required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001-2(b).

revenue. Accordingly, the Court's authorization of such use of the Cash Collateral is

Debtor identifies the following provisions in the Cash Collateral Motion, pursuant to the checklist set forth in Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001-2(b), as follows:

- (1) The Cash Collateral Motion does not provide for cross-collateralization protection to pre-petition secured creditors.
- (2) The Cash Collateral Motion does not bind the estate or parties in

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interest with respect to the validity, perfection, or amount of Montecito Bank and &Trust, or any other secured creditor.

- (3) The Cash Collateral Motion does not waive or limit the estate's rights under 11 U.S.C.§506(c).
- (4) The Cash Collateral Motion does not grant to the pre-petition secured creditor liens on the Debtor's claims and causes of action arising under 11 U.S.C. §§ 544,545,547,547, or 549.
- (5) The Cash Collateral Motion does not deem pre-petition secured debt to be post-petition debt or use post-petition loans from a pre-petition secured creditor to pay part or all that secured creditor's pre-petition debt, other than as provided in U.S.C. §552(b).
- (6) The Cash Collateral Motion does not provide disparate treatment for professionals retained by a creditors' committee form that provided for the professionals retained by the debtor with respect to a professional fee carve out.
- (7) The Cash Collateral Motion does not prime a secured lien.

### D. Essential Terms of the Cash Collateral Motion

The essential terms of the Cash Collateral Motion are as follows:

- 1. <u>Term</u>: The Debtor's authority to use Cash Collateral shall terminate ("Termination Event") on the earlier of: (1) the effective date of any confirmed plan of reorganization; (2) the consummation of the sale or all or substantially all of the Debtor's assets; (3) the dismissal of the Case or the conversion of the Case to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy code;
- (4) Upon the entry of an Order appointing a Chapter 11 Trustee; (5) 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time December 23, 2011.

- 2. <u>Use of Cash Collateral</u>: The Debtor shall be authorized to use Cash Collateral upon the following terms and conditions:
- a. All Cash Collateral shall be deposited, upon receipt, in appropriate debtor in possession bank accounts, unless and to the extent otherwise permitted by the Court;
- b. The Debtor shall be entitled to use Cash Collateral to pay the reasonable, ordinary, and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining their businesses ("Ordinary Expenses") subject to the following terms:
  - (1). The Debtor may use Cash Collateral for the items contained in the Budget attached to the Cash Collateral Motion as Exhibit "1".
  - (2). The Debtor's use of Cash Collateral is expressly limited to the specific items and amounts set forth in the Budget, except that the Debtor may exceed the budgeted sum in any single budget period for any itemized expense category by no more than 15% plus any prior budget period expense item that was incurred but not paid (subject to the same 15% overage limitation). If actual expenditures for any line items are less than the amount set forth in the Budget, the difference shall carry over to the next budget period(s).
  - 3. <u>Insurance</u>. During the term of the use of the Cash Collateral, the Debtor shall maintain adequate insurance coverage on all of Debtor's collateral.
  - 4. <u>No Waiver</u>. Nothing contained in the Cash Collateral Motion or the Order thereon shall be deemed or construed to waive, reduce, or otherwise diminish the rights and claims of either Montecito Bank & Trust or the Debtor against each other or any third parties.
- 5. <u>Bankruptcy Court Order</u>. The Cash Collateral Motion is subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

Case 1:11-bk-13715-MT Doc 32 Filed 06/09/11 Entered 06/09/11 10:55:36 Desc Main Document Page 8 of 18 III. CONCLUSION Based upon the foregoing, Debtor asserts that the Cash Collateral Motion is appropriate and requests this Court's authorization of the same. DATED: June 6, 2011 LAW OFFICES OF MARTIN D. GROSS /s/ Martin D. Gross Martin D. Gross Attorney for Center Court Partners, LLC Page 8

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#### **DECLARATION OF ROGER MEYER**

I am the managing member of Center Court Partners, LLC., ("Debtor") the Debtor and Debtor in possession herein. I have personal knowledge of the facts alleged herein and if called upon as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto.

- 1. On March 25, 2011 (the "Petition Date"), Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 2. Debtor is continuing in the operation and management of its business pursuant to Bankruptcy Code §1107 and §1108.
- 3. Debtor owns a commercial property located at 29501 Canwood Street, Agoura Hills, CA 91301 (the "Property"). The monthly rent receipts are the Debtor's sole source of income.
- 4. On or about August 7, 2007, the Debtor executed and delivered to Montecito Bank and Trust certain loan and security documents evidencing a loan by Montecito Bank & Trust to Debtor in the principal amount of \$10,000,000.00, which was assigned loan number 7-4-25549, by Montecito Bank and Trust and had a February 25, 2009 maturity date, subject to earlier acceleration upon any default.
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- 6. The Bank entered into two forbearance agreements the latter of which expired. There remains a \$9,000,000.00 principal and a disputed unpaid interest.
  - 7. Debtor is not aware of Montecito Bank and Trust's security interest in

the Cash Collateral in the written loan documents.

- 8. Pursuant to provisions of §361, §363(c), and §363(e), of the Bankruptcy Code, and subject to the limitations set forth below, the Debtor requests to use and disburse "Cash Collateral", as that term is defined in §363(a), in the ordinary course of Debtor's business as set forth in this Motion. Debtor requests that it be permitted to expend funds from the Debtor-in-Possession Account ("DIP" Account"), which funds all constitute Cash Collateral, in amounts equal to the Debtors gross monthly budget amounts designated in Debtors's Estimated Expenses Budget ("Budget") through December 23, 2011 or sooner if such event should take place as set forth in the Motion. A true and correct copy of the Budget is attached to the Motion, as Exhibit #1 and its terms incorporated herein by this reference.
- 9. The Debtor shall disburse funds from the DIP Account only in the amounts set forth in the Budget. Absent Court order to the contrary, in no event shall the Debtor disburse from the DIP Account more than the aggregate amounts set forth in the Budget subject to a 15% variance (the "Maximum Disbursement"). Any amounts in excess of the Maximum Disbursements shall remain in the DIP Account and shall not be disbursed or otherwise available to the Debtor absent entry of a further Court Order or consent of Montecito Bank & Trust and the Debtor.
- 10. Here, the Cash Collateral is being used to pay the necessary monthly expenses to maintain the Property and service its tenants. The Cash Collateral is derived from the monthly rent which is the Debtors sole source of income. The collateral to maintain the daily operations of the property, will not cause a decline in the value of the Property, and the property will be well maintained and generating revenue. Accordingly, the Court's authorization of such use of the Cash Collateral is appropriate.
  - 11. Debtor identifies the following provisions in the Cash Collateral

Motion, pursuant to the checklist set forth in Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001-2(b), as

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(1) The Cash Collateral Motion does not provide for cross-collateralization protection to pre-petition secured creditors.

- (2) The Cash Collateral Motion does not bind the estate or parties in interest with respect to the validity, perfection, or amount of Montecito Bank and &Trust, or any other secured creditor.
- (3) The Cash Collateral Motion does not waive or limit the estate's rights under 11 U.S.C.§506(c).
- (4) The Cash Collateral Motion does not grant to the pre-petition secured creditor liens on the Debtor's claims and causes of action arising under 11 U.S.C. §§ 544,545,547,547, or 549.
- (5) The Cash Collateral Motion does not deem pre-petition secured debt to be post-petition debt or use post-petition loans from a pre-petition secured creditor to pay part or all that secured creditor's pre-petition debt, other than as provided in U.S.C. §552(b).
- (6) The Cash Collateral Motion does not provide disparate treatment for professionals retained by a creditors' committee form that provided for the professionals retained by the debtor with respect to a professional fee carve out.
- (7) The Cash Collateral Motion does not prime a secured lien.
- 12. The essential terms of the Cash Collateral Stipulation are as follows:
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upon the following terms and conditions:

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- b. The Debtor shall be entitled to use Cash Collateral to pay the reasonable, ordinary, and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining their businesses ("Ordinary Expenses") subject to the following terms:
  - (1). The Debtor may use Cash Collateral for the items contained in the Budget attached to the Cash Collateral Motion as Exhibit "1".
  - (2). The Debtor's use of Cash Collateral is expressly limited to the specific items and amounts set forth in the Budget, except that the Debtor may exceed the budgeted sum in any single budget period for any itemized expense category by no more than 15% plus any prior budget period expense item that was incurred but not paid (subject to the same 15% overage limitation). If actual expenditures for any line items are less than the amount set forth in the Budget, the difference shall carry over to the next budget period(s).
- Insurance. During the term of the Use of Cash Collateral, the C. Debtor shall maintain adequate insurance coverage on all of Debtor's collateral.
- d. No Waiver. Nothing contained in the Motion or the Order thereon shall be deemed or construed to waive, reduce, or otherwise diminish the rights and claims of either Montecito Bank & Trust or the Debtor against each other or any third parties.

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#### **EXPENSES**

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Aid Alert	Acct #: None				
1014 S. Westlake blvd. #14		\$	65.00	\$	390.00
Westlake Village, CA 91461	(818)991-6002				
American Janitorial Services	Acct #:1908				
949 Camino Dos Rios		\$	150.00	\$	900.00
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360	(800)824-4764				
AT&T	Acct #:81870613877438				
PO Box 5001		\$	156.00	\$	936.00
Carol Stream, IL 60197	(888) 944-0447	1			
Farmer's Insurance	Acct #: 604683875				
1930 Ray Shire St	•	\$	776.00	\$	4,656.00
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362	(805) 446-3300	1			
JRM Equities-Landscape	Acct #: none				
577 Corte Aguacate		\$	550.00	\$	3,300.00
Camarillo, CA 93010	(805)844-9424	1			
JRM Equities-Property mgmt	Acct #: none				\$ 12,000.00
577 Corte Aguacate		\$	2,000.00	\$	
Camarillo, CA 93010	(805)844-9424	1	•		
Las Virgenes Water District				\$	4,200.00
4232 Las Virgenes Rd		\$	700.00		
Calabasas, CA 91302	(818)257-2200				
Southern CA Edison	Acct #: 2308122639				
PO Box 300		\$	950.00	\$	5,700.00
Rosemead, CA 91772	(800)990-7788				
Southern CA Gas Co.	Acct #: 0467317666		300.00	\$	1,800.00
PO Box 30777		\$			
Los Angeles, CA 90030	(800)427-2200				
ThyssenKrupp Elevator	Acct #:300-43110				
PO Box 933013		\$	491.00	\$	2,946.00
Atlanta, GA 31193	(323)278-9888	1			
Vacco HVAC	Acct #: none				
4665 Ortega St		\$	240.00	\$	1,440.00
Ventura, CA 93003	(805)644-4328	1			
Waste Mgmt GI	Acct #:700015665802839				
195 West Los Angeles Ave		\$	226.00	\$	1,356.00
Simi Valley, CA 93065	(805)522-9400	1			
Accounting/Tax Return	Acct #: none				
1800 Ventura Blvd		\$	100.00	\$	600.00
Camarillo, CA 93010	(818)484-0496				
Misc. Repairs			1,000.00	\$	6,000.00
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### **RENTS**

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Dr. Pakula	\$ 5,914.30	\$ 35,485.80
Westlab	\$ 4,131.71	\$ 24,790.26
Totals	\$ 10,046.01	\$ 60,276.06

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net total	\$ 2,342.01	\$ 14,052.06

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