The Creditors' Relief Act

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NOTE:

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CHAPTER C-46

An Act to abolish Priority among Execution Creditors

SHORT TITLE

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1 This Act may be cited as *The Creditors' Relief Act*.

INTERPRETATION

Interpretation

- 2 In this Act:
 - (a) "Court of Queen's Bench" means Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan;
 - (a.1) "judge" means a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench sitting at the judicial centre, to the sheriff of which a writ of execution is delivered;
 - (b) "sheriff" includes deputy sheriffs, duly appointed bailiffs and any person discharging the duties of sheriff in the particular case for the time being.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.2; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Application to execution on maintenance order

2.1 In the case of an execution on a respondent with respect to a maintenance order as defined in *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act*, the provisions of this Act are subject to section 32 of *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act*.

1984-85-86, c.77, s.4.

PRIORITIES ABOLISHED

No priorities

3 Subject to the other provisions of this Act and subsection 32(4) of *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act*, there shall be no priority among creditors by execution from the Court of Queen's Bench.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.3; 1979-80, c.92, s.16; 1984-85-86, c.77, s.4.

DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS LEVIED

Sheriff's records of levy

4 When a sheriff levies money upon an execution against the property of a debtor, he shall forthwith enter in a book to be kept in his office, in such form as is approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the date and the amount of each levy and the date upon which the entry was made. The book shall be open to public inspection, without charge, during office hours.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.4.

Attachment proceeds distributable

5 Moneys realized by the sheriff as the result of the attachment of personal property shall be distributable under this Act, and for the purposes thereof shall be deemed to be moneys levied under execution.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.5.

Distribution

6 Subject to subsection 44(17) of *The Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act, 1997* and section 9, the money levied shall at the expiration of two months from the levy, unless otherwise ordered by a judge, be distributed rateably among all execution creditors and other creditors whose executions or certificates given under this Act were in the sheriff's hands at the time of the levy, or who have delivered executions or certificates to the sheriff within the two months or within such further time as may be ordered by a judge; but, if money is realized by sale of land for which a certificate of title has been granted under *The Land Titles Act*, the period of two months shall be computed from the date of confirmation of the sheriff's sale under the said Act.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.6; 1984-85-86, c.77, s.4; 2009, c.5, s.12.

Distribution of subsequent levies

- 7(1) If the sheriff, subsequently to the entry of the note or memorandum but within two months thereof, levies a further amount upon the property of the debtor, the amount shall be dealt with as if it had been levied prior to the entry of the note or memorandum.
- (2) If, after two months, a further amount is levied a new note or memorandum shall be entered and the distribution to be made of the amount so levied, and of any further amount levied within two months of such last mentioned entry, shall be governed by the entry thereof in accordance with section 6 and subsection (1) of this section, and so on from time to time; but the judge may, on application made *ex parte* or upon notice, as the judge may determine, delay any of such distributions or any part thereof to give reasonable time for obtaining judgment or a certificate (form A), and may fix a date for such distributions.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.7.

Equality of all executions

8 In the distribution of moneys under this Act creditors who have executions against goods and lands, or against goods only or lands only, shall be entitled to share rateably with all others any moneys realized under execution either against goods or lands or against both.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.8.

Costs made preference

9 When the amount levied by the sheriff is not sufficient to pay the executions and certificates with costs in full, the moneys shall be applied to the payment rateably of the debts and costs after retaining the sheriff's fees including poundage and after payment in full of the taxed costs and costs of execution, or of obtaining and delivering a certificate, and extra costs of seizure and sale incurred by the creditor at whose instance and under whose execution or certificate the seizure and levy were made.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.9.

Redemption money made preference

- **10**(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act but subject to sections 12, 14 and 15, where a creditor having an execution in the sheriff's hands affecting land of the debtor has redeemed land pursuant to subsection (1) of section 20 of *The Tax Enforcement Act*, and the amount of the redemption money has been added to the sum remaining unpaid upon his execution, the money realized by the sheriff by sale of the land so redeemed shall, after retaining the sheriff's fees including poundage, be applied first toward repayment to the creditor of the redemption money.
- (2) Where subsection (1) applies to more than one creditor and the money realized is not sufficient to pay the sheriff's fees including poundage and all the redemption moneys, the money shall, after retaining the sheriff's fees including poundage, be applied first toward repayment of the redemption money last paid and the balance, if any, shall be applied toward repayment of the other redemption moneys in the reverse order to that in which they were paid.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.10.

What creditors share in distribution

11 No creditor shall be entitled to share in the distribution of money levied from the property of a debtor unless by the delivery of a writ of execution, or otherwise under this Act, he has established a claim against the debtor either alone or jointly with some other creditor.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.11.

INTERPLEADER PROCEEDINGS

Certain creditors only entitled to share

12 Where proceedings are taken by the sheriff for relief under any provisions relating to interpleader, those creditors only who are parties thereto and who agree to contribute *pro rata*, in proportion to the amount of their executions or certificates, to the expense of contesting any adverse claim, shall be entitled to share in any benefit that may be derived from the contestation of such claim so far as may be necessary to satisfy their executions or certificates.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.12.

Carriage of proceedings

13 The court or judge may direct that one creditor shall bear the carriage of the interpleader proceedings on behalf of all creditors interested.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.13.

Costs

14 The costs of the interpleader proceedings shall, as between solicitor and client, be a first charge upon the moneys or goods that may be found by the proceedings to be applicable upon the executions or certificates.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.14.

CLAIMS FOR WAGES

Employees have priority

- 15(1) All persons employed by an execution debtor at the time of the seizure under which money has been levied upon an execution and of which levy notice has been given as prescribed in section 4, or at any time before the seizure, who, prior to the expiration of the time fixed for the distribution of such moneys under such seizure, file in the office of the sheriff their claims for wages or salary with the particulars thereof proved by affidavit (form B), shall, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, be entitled to be paid out of the money so levied the amount of wages or salary due to them respectively by the execution debtor, not exceeding wages or salary for three months, in priority to the claims of the other creditors of the execution debtor, and shall be entitled to share *pro rata* with such other creditors as to the residue, if any, of their claims; such wages or salary to be for arrears only then owing or accrued, and not for any unearned portion.
- (2) On receipt of any such claim the sheriff shall forthwith give notice thereof in writing, with particulars, to the execution debtor, either personally or by registered mail, and the sheriff shall have the same right to interplead in respect thereof as he would have in case of an adverse claim to moneys levied by him under execution.
- (3) This section applies to wages or salary, whether the employment in respect of which the wages or salary may be payable is by the day, week, month or year.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.15.

EXEMPTIONS

Seizure and sale

- **16**(1) Where money levied is the proceeds of the sale of an article under execution upon a judgment rendered in an action for the price of the article or upon a judgment founded upon a separation agreement, and the article would otherwise be exempt from seizure under *The Exemptions Act* or Part V of *The Saskatchewan Farm Security Act*, the money shall not be subject to distribution under the terms of section 6 or 7, but shall be applied upon the execution under which it was levied.
- (2) If the amount levied as above mentioned is more than sufficient to pay the execution debt with costs in full, the balance in the sheriff's hands shall be paid over to the execution debtor.
- (3) If that amount is insufficient to pay the execution debt with costs in full, the execution creditor shall be entitled to share in any money of the execution debtor that may be in the sheriff's hands for distribution under the terms of section 6 or 7 to the extent of the unpaid balance.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.16, 1984-85-86, c.77, s.4; 1988-89, c.52, s.4.

CERTIFICATE OF PROOF OF CLAIM PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATE

Proceedings by other creditors where execution unsatisfied

17 When the sheriff has seized goods and chattels under a writ of execution, or a debtor allows an execution against his lands to remain unsatisfied for nine months after it has been placed in the sheriff's hands, the proceedings hereinafter authorized may be taken by other creditors or claimants in respect of debts that are overdue.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.17.

Affidavit and notice of claim served and filed

- **18**(1) An affidavit (form C) of the debt and the particulars thereof may be made in duplicate by the creditor, or by one of the creditors in case of a joint debt, or by a person cognizant of the facts.
- (2) The claimant shall serve on the debtor one of the duplicates and a notice (form D).
- (3) Where the affidavit and notice are to be served out of Saskatchewan, the judge may, by order, fix the time after which the next step may be taken by the claimant as hereinafter provided.

- (4) If no notice is given under subsection (7) the affidavit and notice may be personally served upon the debtor, or they may be served upon him, if in Saskatchewan, by forwarding to him by registered mail a duplicate original of the affidavit and a true copy of the notice, and such service shall be deemed sufficient if a receipt from the postmaster for the letter containing such original copy, and a post office receipt for such letter, purporting to be signed by the debtor, are produced as exhibits to the affidavit of service. In such case the affidavit and notice shall be deemed to be served on the day of the date of the receipt that purports to be signed by the debtor. Notwithstanding anything herein contained, the judge may order substitutional or other service, or may direct some act to be done that shall be deemed sufficient service.
- (5) The claimant shall file with the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the judicial centre, the sheriff of which has the execution, one of the duplicate affidavits of claim and a copy of the notice with an affidavit of service thereof (form E).
- (6) Prior to or simultaneously with the filing with the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench of the affidavit there shall be filed with him a certificate of the sheriff or an affidavit showing that such proceedings have been had against the debtor as entitled the creditor to proceed under this Act.
- (7) An execution debtor may give notice in writing to the sheriff that any claims to be served upon him may be served upon a solicitor in Saskatchewan whose name and address shall be given, or by mailing the claims to an address stated in the notice.
- (8) The sheriff shall thereupon enter the notice in a book to be kept by him for the purpose, and, so long as any execution that was in the sheriff's hands at the time the notice was given remains in his hands, shall repeat such entry immediately below any entry made in respect of the execution, unless the notice is revoked in writing, in which case the entry thereof shall be marked "revoked".
- (9) So long as the notice is not revoked the affidavit of claim and notice may, where a solicitor is named, be served upon an execution debtor by serving them upon the solicitor, or if mailing is required then by mailing them by registered post to the address in the notice given by the execution debtor.
- (10) Where the notice served on a debtor does not state some place within three miles of the office of the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the judicial centre at which the proceedings are being taken, at which service may be made upon the claimant, or does not give the name and address of some solicitor in Saskatchewan who may be served on the claimant's behalf, service of any notice, paper or document may be made upon the claimant by filing it in the office of the local registrar and in such case shall be deemed good service.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s,18; 1979-80, c.92, s.16; 1982-83, c.16, s.9.

ISSUE, EFFECT AND DURATION OF CERTIFICATE

Certificate granted where claim undisputed

19 Where the claim is not contested in the manner hereinafter mentioned, then, after ten days from the day of service, or after the time mentioned in the order provided for by subsection (3) of section 18, or, in the absence of such order, after twenty days if service is made in Canada or twenty-five days if service is made in the United States, on the application of the claimant and his filing proof of due service of the affidavit and notice, or where the claim is contested, upon the determination of the dispute in favour of the claimant either in whole or in part, the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench shall deliver to the creditor a certificate (form A); and, where the claim is disputed as to a part only, the claimant may elect by a writing filed with the local registrar to abandon that part and shall be entitled to a certificate as to the residue.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.19; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Effect of certificate

- **20**(1) Upon delivery of the certificate to the sheriff, the claimant shall be deemed to be an execution creditor within the meaning of this Act and shall be entitled to share in any distribution as if he had delivered an execution to the sheriff, and the certificate shall bind the lands and goods of the debtor in the same manner and to the same extent as an execution; subject, however, to the debt being afterwards disputed by a creditor as hereinafter provided and to compliance with *The Executions Act* with respect to registration of the certificate in the Personal Property Registry and the land titles offices.
- (2) For the purpose of interpleader proceedings the certificate shall be deemed to be an execution.
- (3) If the certificate is obtained by a solicitor his name and address shall be endorsed thereon; and, if obtained by the claimant in person, there shall be endorsed thereon a statement of some place within three miles of the office of the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the judicial centre at which proceedings are being taken, at which service may be made upon him, and in default thereof service of any notice, paper or document may be made upon the claimant by filing it in the office of the local registrar and in such case shall be deemed good service.
- (4) On receiving the certificate the sheriff shall make a further seizure of the property of the debtor to the amount of the debt so claimed, and the sheriff's fees; and so from time to time if further certificates are received.

 $R.S.S.\ 1978,\ c.C-46,\ s.20;\ 1979-80,\ c.20,\ s.2$ and $c.92,\ s.16.$

Duration of certificate

21(1) A certificate issued after the thirty-first day of August, 1942 shall remain in force for ten years from the date thereof; but the period commencing on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1933, and ending on the first day of April, 1944, shall not be included in calculating the period of ten years.

- (2) Notwithstanding the expiry of an execution or certificate before the termination of two months from the date of entry of a note or memorandum under section 4, the execution or certificate, as to any money levied during such two months, shall be deemed to be in full force and effect.
- (3) If a new certificate is delivered to the sheriff by the claimant before the expiry by effluxion of time of the certificate mentioned in subsection (1), the certificate shall be accepted by the sheriff in substitution for the certificate already in his hands and shall be of the same force and effect and have the same priority or priorities as that certificate.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.21.

Note: Subsection (1) of section 2 of An Act to amend The Creditors' Relief Act, chapter 16 of the statutes of 1941, repealed subsections (1) and (3) of section 20 of The Creditors' Relief Act, chapter 82 of The Revised Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1940, but provides that the repealed subsections continue to apply with respect to certificates issued prior to the first day of September, 1942.

CONTESTATION OF CLAIM

Procedure

- **22**(1) The claim may be contested by the debtor or by a creditor of the debtor.
- (2) Where the debtor contests the claim he shall file with the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench an affidavit stating that he has a good defence to the claim or to a specified part of it on the merits, but the judge may dispense with the affidavit on terms or otherwise.
- (3) The debtor shall file the affidavit within ten days after service upon him of the affidavit of claim and the notice, or within the time mentioned in the order provided for by subsection (3) of section 18, or within such further time as the judge may allow.
- (4) Where the contestation is by a creditor he shall file with the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench an affidavit to the effect that he has reason to believe that the debt claimed is not really and in good faith due from the debtor to the claimant; but the judge may dispense with the affidavit on terms or otherwise.
- (5) Notice of contestation, whether by the debtor or by a creditor, together with a copy of the affidavit, if any, shall be served upon the claimant within five days after filing the affidavit, or after the order of the judge if the affidavit is dispensed with.
- (6) The affidavit by a creditor may be filed and a certified copy thereof delivered to the sheriff at any time before distribution is made, and the sheriff shall forthwith give notice of the receipt of such certified copy to the claimant.
- (7) The affidavit of the debtor or other contestant shall have endorsed thereon a statement of some place within three miles of the office of the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at which service may be made upon him, or the address of a solicitor in Saskatchewan who may be served on his behalf, and in default thereof service of any notice, paper or document may be made upon the debtor or contestant by filing it in the office of the local registrar.

- (8) Where the address of a solicitor is given for service which is not within three miles of the office of the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench, service may be made upon him by mailing papers by registered mail to him at the address so given.
- (9) The claimant whose claim is contested may apply to the judge for an order allowing his claim and determining the amount; and if he does not make such application within eight days after receiving notice of the contestation or within such further time as the judge may allow, which extension may be granted either before or after the expiration of the time limited, he shall be taken to have abandoned his claim.
- (10) Where the contestant is a creditor and there is a reason to believe that the contestation is not being carried on in good faith any other creditor may apply for an order permitting him to intervene in the contestation.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.22; 1979-80, c.92, s.16; 1980-81, c.76, s.3.

Distribution in case of contestation

23 Where a claim is contested by a creditor after a certificate has been placed in the sheriff's hands the sheriff, unless the judge otherwise orders, shall levy as if the contestation had not been made, and shall until the determination of the contestation retain in a bank the amount that would be apportionable to the claim if valid, and shall as soon after the expiry of the two months as is practicable distribute the residue of the money made among those entitled.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.23.

TRIAL OF CONTESTED CLAIMS

Procedure

- **24**(1) The judge may determine any question in dispute in a summary manner, or may direct an action to be brought or an issue to be tried at any judicial centre for the determination thereof, and may make such order as to the costs of the proceedings as he deems just.
- (2) Repealed. 1979-80, c.92, s.16.
- (3) **Repealed.** 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.24; R.S.S. 1978 (Supp.), c.14, s.2; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Production and examination

25 The same proceedings may be had for the production of documents and for the examination of parties or others, either before or at the trial, as may be taken in an ordinary action, and such proceedings may also be taken before the application to the judge, and as a foundation therefor.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.25.

REGISTRAR TO KEEP RECORDS

Particulars to be recorded

26(1) Every local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench shall keep a book in which, before giving a certificate or issuing an execution for a claim, he shall enter the following particulars with reference to every claim in respect of which he gives a certificate or issues an execution:

- (a) the name and address of the claimant, and of the debtor;
- (b) the date of entry;
- (c) the amount of the debt, exclusive of costs;
- (d) the amount of costs;
- (e) if the proceedings have been set aside, that fact, and shortly the reason therefor.
- (2) The entry shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, have the effect of and be a final judgment of the court for the debt and costs.
- (3) The local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench shall index the entries in a book alphabetically under the names of the debtors.
- (4) Where the original papers are lost or destroyed, a copy of the entry shall be evidence of the matters therein set forth.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.26; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

CLAIMS AT DIFFERENT JUDICIAL CENTRES

Establishing claim at another judicial centre

27 Where a creditor has at one judicial centre taken the prescribed proceedings in respect of his claim and for the purposes of this Act desires to establish his claim at another judicial centre, he may do so by obtaining from the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the judicial centre first mentioned another certificate (form A) and delivering it to the sheriff at such other judicial centre, and the delivery of the certificate to the sheriff shall have the same effect at the other judicial centre from the time of the delivery thereof as if the certificate had been issued by the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the other judicial centre upon proceedings thereat.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.27; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Executions may issue to any sheriff

28 A creditor entitled to obtain a certificate in form A from any local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench may also sue out an execution and send it to the sheriff at any judicial centre in the same manner as on an ordinary judgment; but this shall not prejudice the right of any other creditor to contest the claim of such first mentioned creditor under this Act.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.28; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Decision at one judicial centre binding at others

29 Where a claim is contested at one judicial centre the decision thereon shall, as between the parties to the contestation, determine the amount of the claim for the purposes of this Act at all other judicial centres at which the claim is filed, and the certificate of the local registrar of the Court of Queen's Bench at the judicial centre at which the contestation has taken place, of the result thereof, shall be sufficient evidence of the decision.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.29; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

PAYMENT WITHOUT SEIZURE AND FUNDS IN COURT

Application of payments by debtor

- **30**(1) Where the debtor, without any seizure by the sheriff, pays the full amount owing in respect of the executions and claims in the sheriff's hands at the time of payment, no note or memorandum shall be entered as required by section 4 and no further proceedings shall be taken under this Act against the debtor by virtue of such executions.
- (2) Save as aforesaid, after an execution has been filed with the sheriff or a certificate has been delivered to him, the withdrawal or expiry of the execution upon which the proceedings are founded or any stay upon the writ or the satisfaction of the plaintiff's claim thereon, or the setting aside or return of the writ, shall not affect the proceedings to be taken under this Act, and, except so far as the action taken in regard to the writ may affect the amount to be levied, the sheriff shall proceed and levy upon the goods or lands of the debtor or both as he would have proceeded had the writ remained in his hands in full force to be executed, and may also take the like proceedings as he would have been entitled to take had the writ been a writ of *venditioni exponas*.
- (3) Where a debtor, without any seizure by the sheriff, pays to the sheriff part of the amount owing in respect of an execution or certificate in the sheriff's hands and there is at the time no other execution or certificate in the sheriff's hands the sheriff shall apply the money on the execution or certificate in his hands and sections 4 and 6 shall not apply to the money so received by the sheriff.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.30.

Fund in court belonging to execution debtor

31 Where there is in a court a fund belonging to an execution debtor or to which he is entitled, the fund or a sufficient part thereof to pay the executions and certificates in the sheriff's hand may, on application of the sheriff or any party interested, be paid over to the sheriff and the fund shall be deemed to be money levied under execution within the meaning of this Act.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.31.

SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION AND CONTEST

Distribution where amount levied insufficient to meet all claims

- **32**(1) Where, at the time for distribution, the money is insufficient to pay all claims in full, the sheriff shall first prepare for examination by the debtor and his creditors a list of the creditors entitled to share in the distribution, with the amount due to each for principal, interest and costs.
- (2) The list shall be so arranged as to show the amount payable to each creditor and the total amount to be distributed; and the sheriff shall deliver, or send by registered post to the debtor and to each creditor or his solicitor, a copy of the list.
- (3) If within ten days after all the copies have been delivered or posted, or within such further time as the judge may allow, no objection is made as provided by this Act, the sheriff shall make distribution forthwith pursuant to the list.
- (4) If objection is made the sheriff shall forthwith distribute rateably so much of the money made, and among such persons, as will not interfere with the effect of the objection in case it should be allowed.
- (5) Any person affected by the proposed scheme of distribution may contest the scheme by giving, within the time mentioned in subsection (3), a notice in writing to the sheriff, stating his objection to the scheme and the grounds thereof.
- (6) The contestant shall, within ten days thereafter, apply to the judge for an order adjudicating upon the matter in dispute, otherwise the contestation shall be taken to be abandoned.
- (7) The contestant shall, within the time mentioned in subsection (6), obtain from the judge an appointment for hearing and determining the matter in dispute.
- (8) A copy of the appointment and a notice in writing (form F) of the objections, stating the grounds thereof, shall be served by the contestant upon the debtor unless he is the contestant, and upon the creditors or such of them as the judge may direct.
- (9) The judge may determine any question in dispute in a summary manner, or may direct an action to be brought or an issue to be tried with or without a jury in any court and at any judicial centre for the determination thereof, and may make such order as to the costs of the proceedings as he deems just, and subsections (2) and (3) of section 24 shall apply.
- (10) Where a claimant is held to be not entitled, or to be entitled to part only of his claim, the money retained pending the contestation, or the portion as to which the claimant has failed, shall be distributed among the creditors who would have been entitled thereto, as it would have been distributed had the claim in respect thereof not been made.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.32.

Directions by judge to avoid unnecessary parties and trials

33 Where several creditors are interested in a contestation, either for or against the contestation, the judge shall give such directions for saving the expense of an unnecessary number of parties and trials, and of unnecessary proceedings, as he deems just, and shall direct by whom and in what proportions any costs incurred in the contestation or in any proceedings thereunder shall be paid, and whether any and what costs shall be paid out of the money levied.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.33.

PROVISIONS AFFECTING SHERIFF

Sheriff entitled to single poundage only

34 Where money is to be distributed under this Act the sheriff shall not be entitled to poundage as upon separate executions or certificates but only upon the net proceeds distributed by him and at the same rate as if the whole amount had been payable under one writ.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.34.

Sheriff's return after levy

35 When money is made under an execution, the money shall be taken for the purposes of the sheriff's return and otherwise to be made upon all the executions and certificates entitled to the benefits thereof, and the sheriff shall, upon payment being made to the person entitled upon such execution or certificate, endorse thereon a memorandum of the amount so paid, but he shall not, except on the request of the party who issued the writ or by direction of the court out of which the writ issued or of a judge of that court, return the writ until it has been fully satisfied, or unless it has expired by effluxion of time in which case the sheriff shall make a formal return of the amount paid thereon.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.35.

Compelling payment by sheriff

36 The like proceedings may be taken to compel payment by the sheriff of money payable in respect of an execution or other claim as can now be had to compel the return by the sheriff of a writ of execution.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.36.

Sheriff's records

- 37 The sheriff shall, pending the distribution of the moneys levied, keep in the book mentioned in section 4 a statement showing in respect of any debtor on whose property money has been levied the following particulars:
 - (a) the amount levied or received and the dates of levy or receipt;
 - (b) each execution or certificate in his hands and the amount thereof;

and the statement shall be amended from time to time as additional amounts are levied or received or further executions or certificates are received.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.37.

Sheriff to give information

38 The sheriff shall at all times, without fee, answer any reasonable questions that he may be asked orally with respect to the estate of the debtor by a creditor or any one acting on behalf of a creditor, and shall aid him in obtaining full information as to the value of the estate and the probable dividend to be realized therefrom in the area assigned to him pursuant to *The Court Officials Act, 1984* or any other information in connection with the estate that the creditor may reasonably desire to obtain.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.38 1984-85-86, c.2, s.2.

Undisposable money to be placed in bank

39 Where a sheriff has money in his hands that by reason of this Act or otherwise he cannot immediately pay over, he shall deposit the money in a bank designated by the Minister of Justice and the deposit shall be made in the name of the sheriff in trust.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.39; 1983, c.11, s.15.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

One seizure sufficient

40 One seizure by the sheriff of the goods and lands of the debtor shall be deemed sufficient and shall be deemed a seizure on behalf of all creditors sharing under the seizure as hereinbefore provided.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.40.

Direction to sheriff where claim is disputed

- **41**(1) The judge may direct the sheriff to levy for an amount sufficient to cover a claim that is in dispute or part thereof, or, if it appears to the judge that it is improbable that the debtor has other sufficient property, he may direct the sheriff to retain in his hands during the contestation the share that, if the claim is sustained, will be apportionable to it, or a part thereof.
- (2) An order to levy under this section shall confer on the sheriff the same authority as he would have under an execution.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.41.

Appeal

42 If a party to a contestation or matter upon which a judge has rendered or made a final judgement or order is dissatisfied therewith, and the same is in respect of a question involving a sum greater than \$200, he may appeal therefrom to the Court of Appeal, as nearly as may be according to the practice in force in respect of appeals from a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.42; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Decisions binding on all creditors

43 A decision of a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench or of the Court of Appeal shall bind the debtor and all his creditors, unless it appears that the decision was obtained by fraud or collusion.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.43; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

44 Repealed. 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

Evidence on proceeding before judge

45 Upon any proceeding before the judge the evidence may be taken orally or by affidavit as he may direct.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.45.

Application Queen's Bench Act, 1998 and rules of court

46 Except where inconsistent with this Act, the provisions of *The Queen's Bench Act, 1998* and the rules of the court as to practice and procedure in force in the Court of Queen's Bench shall apply to proceedings under this Act.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.46; 1979-80, c.92, s.16; 2004, c.65, s.8.

Irregularities not to void proceedings

47 No proceeding under this Act shall be void for a defect of form, and the rules for amending or otherwise curing irregularities or defects that may from time to time be in force in the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan shall apply to this Act, and any proceedings wrongfully taken under this Act may be set aside by the judge with or without costs as he may think fit.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.47.

Fees and costs

48 The judges of the Court of Queen's Bench may, by rule of court, prescribe the fees and costs to be payable for all services under this Act.

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, s.48.

SCHEDULE

FORM A

 $[Sections~7,~19,~27~and~28] \\ \text{CERTIFICATE OF PROOF OF CLAIM} \\ \textit{THE CREDITORS' RELIEF ACT}$

In the Queen's Bench at the Ju	dicial Centre of	
A.B. of C.D. of	in the Province ofin the Province of	claimant, and, debtor.
I, G.H., The Local Registrar of todo hereby certify:	the Court of Queen's Bench for the Judicial Cent	tre of
thereof (or as the case may requi	ant did on the day of , 19 r, for the sum of \$ together with an re) and of the notice required by The Creditors' Ret t such service was made on the day of _	lief Act, upon the said debtor,
	e debtor has not contested the said claim and the ner sum of \$ for costs.	at claimant is entitled to the
	Or	
part of the said claim (as the case	e debtor has only contested the sum of \$e may be), and that the claimant having abandonoum of \$, and the further sum of \$	ed such part is entitled to the
(0	r, when the claim is contested in whole or in par	rt):
2 That the claim had been allocosts.	owed by the judge at the sum of \$	_ with \$ for
[L.S.]	R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46,	G.H. Local Registrar Form A; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.
	FORM B [Section 15] AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM FOR WAGES	
Between A.B. of	claimant for wages and <i>C.D.</i> of	execution debtor
I, A.B. of	(occupation) make oath and	l say:
1 That I am the above named the time of the sheriff's seizure day of	claimant and was in the employment of the above herein (or was in the employ of the said executi).	re named execution debtor at on debtor up to the
execution debtor is justly and to	cution creditors to the extent of \$	by me between the

		re <i>pro rata</i> with the execution creditors execution debtor is justly and truly
		and the day of
		per day (week or month).
Sworn before me at		
in the Province of		4.70
this day of	,)	A.B.
19)	
	,	
A Commissioner, etc.	······································	
	R.S.S. 197	8, c.C-46, Form B.
	FORM C	
	$[Subsection \ 18(1)]$	
	AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM	
	THE CREDITORS' RELIEF AC	T
	THE CREDITORS RELIEF AC	1
In the Queen's Bench at the Jue	licial Centre of	
AB of	in the Province of	claimant, and
C.D. of	in the Province of	debtor.
		merchant (or
as the case may be) make oath	and say:	
1 I am the above named clair personal knowledge of the matt		he claimant in this behalf) and have a
personai knowieage of the mail	er neremajter aeposea to.	
		e above named claimant) in the sum of
\$	for (here state shortly th	$ne\ nature\ and\ particulars\ of\ the\ claim).$
Sworn before me at		
in the Province of		
this day of	,)	A.B.
19)	
)	
A Commissioner etc. (or so th	*	
A Commissioner, etc., (or as the	e case may vej	

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, Form C; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.

FORM D

 $[Subsection \ 18(2)]$ NOTICE TO BE SERVED WITH CLAIM $THE \ CREDITORS' \ RELIEF \ ACT$

	Judicial Centre of	
A.B., of	in the Province of in the Province of	claimant,
To the above (or within) nam		, debtor.
Take notice that that claiman Judicial Centre of duplicate is served herewith, sheriff of the said district an ex-	at intends to file with The Local Registrar of the original that this proceeding is taken by reason accution against your property, and that the contract of t	ginal affidavit of claim of which n of there being in the hands of th claimant intends to call on the sheri:
And further take notice that days (1) after the service of t stating that you have a good d part of the claim. If no such as	I debt from your property under the author if you desire to contest the said claim, or an his notice upon you, file with the Local Regefence to the said claim on the merits, or that fidavit is filed the claim will be treated as addrt only such claim may be so treated as to the	ny part thereof, you must, within 1 gistrar of the said court an affidav t you have such defence to a specifie mitted by you. If the affidavit is file
place within three miles of the address of some solicitor in S	ed that unless you endorse upon such affida ne said Local Registrar's office at which ser askatchewan who may be served on your be nent, by filing the same in the office of the Lo	rvice may be made upon you, or th half, service may be made upon yo
Dated the day	y of , 19	·
Note: (1) If further time is	given by a judge the notice should be varie R.S.S. 1978. c s.16.	Claiman ed accordingly. c.C-46, Form D; 1979-80, c.92,
	FORM E [Subsection 18(5)] AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF CLAIN THE CREDITORS' RELIEF ACT	M
In the Queen's Bench at the	Judicial Centre of	
A.B., claimant, and C.D., deb		
oath and say:	in the Province of	
named debtor with an originathe same to and leaving the sam (or as the case may be) and the	day of	avit marked exhibit A by deliverir said atached to (<i>or</i> endorsed upon) the sai

	Or		
INSERT DATE AS OF EXHIBIT C such original in an envelope addre	serve the above named the affidavit hereunto	day of day of d debtor with an original a annexed and marked exh and posted th	affidavit identical with libit A having enclosed
mail in the post office at	·		
2 Hereunto annexed and marked such registered letter; and hereur registered letter.	exhibit B is the receipt fronto annexed and marked e	om the postmaster atexhibit C is the receipt of	of the debtor for such
3 That there was attached to (<i>or</i> addressed to the debtor, now attach			
Sworn before me at			
in the Province of			
this day of 19) G.H.)	
A Commissioner, etc., (or as the co		S.S. 1978, c.C-46, Form	E; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.
	FORM F		
	[Subsection 32(8	3)]	
NOTICE OF C	CONTESTATION OF SCH THE CREDITORS' REL		N
In the Queen's Bench at the Judici	al Centre of		
A.B., claimant, and C.D., debtor.			
To $C.D.$, debtor, and $F.G.$ and $M.N$., claimants.		
Take notice that I contest the sc	heme of distribution prep in respect of		
following ground (<i>state distinctly tr</i> matter is served herewith.	the ground), and a copy of t	he judge's appointment t	to adjudicate upon the
Dated the day of _	, , 1	9	
			X.Y., Contestant

R.S.S. 1978, c.C-46, Form F; 1979-80, c.92, s.16.