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## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

EPIC! CREATIONS, INC., et al., 1

Debtors.

Claudia Z. Springer, Chapter 11 Trustee,

Plaintiff,

VS.

Voizzit Technology Private Ltd., Voizzit Information Technology LLC, Think and Learn Pvt. Ltd., and Rajendran Vellapalath

Defendants.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-11161 (BLS)

(Jointly Administered)

Adv. Pro. No. 24-50280 (BLS)

(Jointly Administered)

Re. Adv. D.I. 1, 2, 3, 12 & 20

## ORDER GRANTING CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE'S EMERGENCY MOTION TO ENFORCE PRELIMINARYINJUNCTION AND HOLD DEFENDANTS IN CONTEMPT

Upon consideration of the Chapter 11 Trustee's Emergency Motion to Enforce Preliminary Injunction and Hold Defendants in Contempt (the "Emergency Motion") filed by Plaintiff Claudia Z. Springer, Esq., in her capacity as Chapter 11 Trustee (the "Trustee") of the Estates of Epic! Creations, Inc. ("Epic"), Neuron Fuel, Inc. ("Neuron Fuel"), and Tangible Play, Inc. ("Tangible Play," together with Epic and Neuron Fuel, the "Debtors"); and the Court having reviewed the Emergency Motion and supporting Declaration; and the Court having held a hearing on May 22,

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Epic! Creations, Inc. (9113); Neuron Fuel, Inc. (8758); and Tangible Play, Inc. (9331).



2025 (the "<u>Hearing</u>"); and the Court having considered all evidence and argument presented at the Hearing; the Court finds and concludes that:

- A. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b).
- B. This is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(A), (E), and (O).
  - C. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409(a).
  - D. Notice of the Motion was sufficient under the circumstances.
- E. On December 18, 2024, this Court entered the *Order Granting Chapter 11 Trustee's Motion for Entry of A Preliminary Injunction* [Adv. D.I. 20] (the "<u>PI Order</u>"), which provided:

Until further order from this Court, and pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(a), as made applicable herein by Bankruptcy Rule 7065, each Defendant, and all persons acting in concert or participation with any Defendant, are enjoined from taking any act to continue prosecuting or otherwise litigating the claims asserted in the India Complaint or from commencing, prosecuting, or otherwise continuing any lawsuit or other proceeding regarding the Trustee, the Debtors, or property of their estates in any other court, tribunal, or other adjudicative body or entity other than this Court.

(PI Order, ¶ 2 (emphasis added).)

- F. Each of the Defendants were served with the PI Order and thus had knowledge of the entry of the PI Order and its terms. [Adv. D.I. 23]
- G. The Trustee has established by clear and convincing evidence that: (i) a valid court order was entered; (ii) Defendants had knowledge of the PI Order; and (iii) Defendants violated the PI Order by continuing to prosecute and failing to dismiss with prejudice the India Complaint and the claims asserted therein, including by obtaining entry of an order from the High Court of Kerala dated May 21, 2025 purporting to enjoin the sale of the Epic estate's assets (the "Purported"

<u>Indian Order</u>"). The Trustee has further established that the Purported Indian Order violates the automatic stay imposed by 11 U.S.C. § 362(a)(3).

H. Defendants further acted to exercise control over the assets of the Epic estate by serving the Trustee and the Successful Bidder for the Epic Assets with a letter directing that they not proceed with the sale of the Epic Assets and by filing that letter on the Court's docket at D.I. 728.

For the reasons stated on the record at the Hearing, it is hereby **ORDERED THAT**:

- 1. The Purported Indian Order is void *ab initio* and should be treated as a nullity because it was entered in violation of the automatic stay in effect in these Chapter 11 Cases by operation of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a). *See Maritime Elec. Co. v. United Jersey Bank*, 959 F.2d 1194, 1207 (3d Cir. 1991) (holding that judicial acts and proceedings in violation of the automatic stay are void *ab initio*).
- 2. The Purported Indian Order does not modify, vacate, stay or reverse any of the Court's findings and orders contained in the Court's Order (I) Approving the Sale of Epic! Creations, Inc.'s Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances, (II) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases In Connection Therewith and (III) Granting Related Relief docketed at D.I. 724 (the "Epic Sale Order"), including without limitations, the Court's findings that Hy Ruby Limited and its permitted assignee, Hy Ruby Inc. as Buyer (as defined in the Epic Sale Order) are good-faith purchasers within the meaning of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code and that the Trustee has the exclusive right and power to transfer good title to the Acquired Assets (as defined in the Epic Sale Order) to the Buyer. The Epic Sale Order is in full force and effect.

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3. The letter and attachments filed on the Docket at D.I. 728 is stricken because it was

filed with this Court in violation of the Court's Order Granting Chapter 11 Trustee's Motion to

Compel Voizzit Technology Private, Ltd., Voizzit Information Technology LLC, and Rajendran

Vellapalath to Comply with Rule 2004 Subpoenas and for other Relief Including Barring their

Participation in these Chapter 11 Cases until they Comply with the Outstanding Subpoenas. [D.I.

598.]

The Defendants are found to be in willful contempt of this Court's PI Order. The 4.

Defendants are enjoined from taking any action to prevent, interfere with or otherwise enjoin

consummation of the Sale (as defined in the Epic Sale Order).

5. The Trustee's and Buyer's rights to seek any and all available remedies, sanctions,

or other relief on account of the Defendants' contempt of this Court's PI Order are reserved in full.

6. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or

related to the implementation of this Order, including whether additional sanctions are warranted

in light of the Defendants' failure to comply with the PI Order.

**Dated: May 22nd, 2025** 

Wilmington, Delaware

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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