CITATION: Nordstrom Canada Retail, Inc., 2024 ONSC 6829

**COURT FILE NO.:** CV-23-00695619-00CL

**DATE:** 2024-12-09

## SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE - ONTARIO

**RE:** IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF NORDSTROM CANADA RETAIL, INC., NORDSTROM CANADA HOLDINGS, LLC and NORDSTROM CANADA HOLDINGS II, LLC

**APPLICANTS** 

**BEFORE:** Chief Justice Geoffrey B. Morawetz

COUNSEL: Jeremy Dacks and Hannah Davis, for the Applicant, Nordstrom Canada Retail Inc.

Bradley Wiffen, Andrew Harmes, for the Monitor, Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc.

**HEARD:** December 9, 2024

## **ENDORSEMENT**

- [1] Nordstrom Canada Retail, Inc., Nordstrom Canada Holdings, LLC and Nordstrom Canada Holdings II, LLC (the "Applicants"), seek an Order extending the Stay Period until and including June 30, 2025.
- [2] The evidentiary support for the relief is set out in the Affidavit of Misti Heckel, sworn December 2, 2024 and in the Eleventh Report of the Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. (the "Monitor").
- [3] The motion was not opposed.
- [4] On March 19, 2024, the Court granted an order (the "Sanction Order") which sanctioned the Plan and authorized the Applicants and Nordstrom Canada Leasing LP (together with the Applicants, the "Nordstrom Canada Entities") and the Monitor to implement it and extended the Stay Period until and including June 28, 2024. The Stay Period was subsequently extended to December 20, 2024.
- [5] The Applicants are seeking to extend the Stay Period until and including June 30, 2025. The Applicants submit that an extension of the Stay Period is necessary to permit the Nordstrom Canada Entities to continue to implement the Plan, resolve the remaining Claims in the Claims

Process including the CRA Marker Claim, make additional distributions to Affected Creditors, including the Final Distribution and prepare for the termination of these CCAA proceedings.

- [6] Having reviewed the evidence, I am satisfied that the Nordstrom Canada Entities have acted, and continue to act, in good faith and with due diligence in these CCAA proceedings. The Nordstrom Canada Entities have made significant progress in these CCAA proceedings, including by implementing the Plan. An initial distribution was made in the amount of approximately 72% of Proven Claims of Affected Creditors (other than Other Priority Claim Creditors, Convenience Class Creditors and Supporting Rack Landlords, who were paid their entitlements under the Plan in full). It is anticipated such Affected Creditors will receive a total distribution of between 78% to 80% of their Proven Claims.
- [7] The Applicants have advised that they intend to bring a motion seeking a Discharge and Termination Order prior to June 30, 2025.
- [8] The Monitor supports the proposed Stay Extension. The Applicants and the Monitor are of the view that the Stay Extension is in the best interests of the Nordstrom Canada Entities and their stakeholders. The Applicants and the Monitor have confirmed that the Nordstrom Canada Entities will have sufficient cash resources to continue their wind down during the proposed Stay Extension.
- [9] I am satisfied that it is appropriate to extend the Stay Period until and including June 30, 2025.
- [10] The motion is granted. An Order giving effect to the foregoing has been signed.

Chief Justice Geoffrey B. Morawetz

Date: December 9, 2024