DEBORAH ANNE SIMS: FORMER EMPLOYEE APPLIES TO WIND UP HER COMPANY

She's done it, again!

Ms Deborah Anne Sims, once a member in good standing of high society in the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), as well as being the toast of the female physically fit, is being accused of not paying a former staff member that which is due to her.

A Winding-Up Petition has been filed against Tiger Eye International Ltd, the principal operating company of Ms <u>Deborah Anne Sims</u>, by this former member of her staff.

The amount of money, which precipitated this legal action, usually the precursor to the death rattle of a corporate entity, cannot be very substantial because Ms Choi Yuk Chor, the Petitioning Creditor, who initiated the Winding-Up proceedings, was forced to turn to the Legal Aid Department of the HKSAR Government in order to obtain redress.

When a person does not have sufficient money to obtain legal redress in the HKSAR, subject to an inspection by an officer of the Legal Aid Department as to that person's assets and income, etc, that person is entitled to use the Government's legal-aid 'machinery' in order to launch an Action in one of the Courts of the territory.

The modus operandi, having been followed in respect of Tiger Eye International Ltd, is not too different from the modus operandi of another of Ms Deborah Anne Sims's former companies/entities: Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa.

That company/entity went belly up in March 2002, as TARGET subscribers will recall.

Prior to the closure of Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa, The Labour Tribunal received numerous claims from former employees of Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa, but, even after judgment had been rendered in these employees' favour, Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa/Deborah Anne Sims continued to refuse to pay the Labour Tribunal Awards.

Six former employees of Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa, prior to the closure of the entity, were sufficiently tenacious in respect of monies, owed to them, to press ahead with their claims by lodging Claims, in either the District Court or the High Court of the HKSAR.

The following are the brief details in respect of the claims of these 5 former employees:

Name of Defendant	Name of Plaintiff	Amount of Claim	Nature of Claim	Date of Claim	Court
Body by Deborah	Leung Suk Wah	Not Stated	Registration of a Labour	March 18, 1998	District*
International Health			Tribunal Award		
and Beauty Spa; and,					
Regent Smart					
International Ltd					

Regent Smart International Ltd, trading as Body by Deborah International Health	Angela Li Wai Kit	Not Stated	Wages	February 4, 1998	High**
and Beauty Spa Regent Smart	Tong Chi Yin and	Not Stated	Wages	January 14, 1998	High**
International Ltd, trading as Body by Deborah	Cheung Yee Tung	Not Stated	wages	January 14, 1996	Tilgii
International Health and Beauty Spa					
Regent Smart International Ltd, trading as Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa	Chan Siu Lan	Not Stated	Wages	January 14, 1998	High**
Body by Deborah International Health and Beauty Spa	Kwok Tai Muk	Not Stated	Registration of Labour Tribunal Award	July 11, 1997	District*

^{*} A Claim, launched in the HKSAR District Court, must be for a sum of money that is greater than \$HK50,000 and not more than \$HK600,000 ** A Claim, launched in the HKSAR High Court, must be of an amount of money, not less than \$HK600,000

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