

Qubo 2 at a time when it knew that it was subject to an English judgment as well as a Liechtenstein payment order which it could only satisfy using the value of the Vessel. The transfer was undoubtedly intended to prevent enforcement of the English and Liechtenstein orders against the Vessel as has subsequently been admitted by one of Counselor's directors, Dr Schurti;

- g. The Wife eventually discovered that the Vessel had been transferred as a result of information which she obtained from the registry in the Marshall Islands. She thus sought commensurate relief against Straight. Haddon-Cave J concluded that the transfer of the Vessel to Straight was "*part of H's continuing campaign to defeat W by concealing his assets in a web of offshore companies*". He granted a further order on 21 March 2018, pursuant to which he (a) pierced Straight's corporate veil, (b) declared Straight to be the Husband's alter ego, (c) ordered that the Vessel be transferred to the Wife, and (d) granted an order requiring Straight to pay the judgment debt up to the current value of the Vessel to the Wife. I record that, in contempt of court, the Husband and Straight have failed to transfer the Vessel to the Wife and have paid no monetary equivalent to her. In fact, the Husband and his associates appear to be doing all they can to prevent the enforcement of the English court's orders including challenging all attempts to restrain the Vessel in Dubai and opposing the enforcement proceedings in the Marshall Islands;
- h. The Vessel is presently in Dubai. On 26 March 2019 I made an order requiring Straight, amongst other things, to take certain steps intended to ensure that the Vessel could not be moved from Dubai and to file an affidavit verifying that those steps had been taken. To date, Straight has failed to comply with my order and it would appear that the positive steps required by my order have not been taken. Accordingly, the Wife applied on 21 May 2019 for declarations that Straight and Counselor are in contempt and for orders of committal against the individual directors of Counselor. This application is listed to be heard on 25 October 2019.

15. As to the Artwork, again in outline:

- a. The Artwork was acquired by auction and through private sales at Sotheby's by Cotor. I note that Cotor was found by Haddon-Cave J to be the Husband's nominee. By early 2015 the Artwork had been moved from London and New York to Switzerland;
- b. In mid-November 2016 the Husband caused the Artwork to be transferred into Qubo 1's ownership and physically moved to the Stabiq Treasure House in Liechtenstein. The director of Qubo 1 is WalPart (an affiliate of Counselor). Mr Kerman gave evidence under cross-examination on 16 December 2016 that Walch & Schurti drew up the transfer documents to Qubo 1. Furthermore, Ms Dilnot submitted that Liechtenstein was chosen as a suitable venue because, unlike Switzerland, it is not party to any enforcement convention with the United Kingdom. It is thus difficult to enforce English judgments and orders there as, for example, the judgment debtor has a right to re-litigate the underlying dispute on the merits before the courts in Liechtenstein;