

THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL **REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

MEDIA SUMMARY – JUDGMENT DELIVERED IN THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL

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ELDACC (PTY) LTD v BIDVEST PROPERTIES (PTY) LTD

1. Eldacc (Pty) Ltd entered into a lease with Rennies Distribution Services (Pty) Ltd. The lease contained a clause entitling Rennies or its nominee to purchase the leased property.

2. Rennies nominated Bidvest Properties (Pty) Ltd, which exercised the option by writing a letter to Eldacc. Eldacc argued that it was not competent for Bidvest to do so unless it had taken over the rights of Rennies.

3. The argument was rejected by the South Gauteng High Court and the judgment was confirmed on appeal.

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