

AGREEMENT OF SALE 201

Understanding the more complex legal principles of an agreement of sale of immovable property.

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This Lecture – Contract 201

- ▣ We looked at the broad legal principles in Contract 101 on 10 June 2020
- ▣ What we are not going to do in Contract 201
 - Defects – 28 April 2020
 - Commission – 3 June 2020
 - Subject-to Transactions – 24 June 2020
 - Tenants and Occupation – 1 July 2020
 - Statutory Compliance certificates 15 July 2020
 - Transfer Duty and VAT 22 July 2020
- ▣ What we going to do in Contract 201
 - Parties (corporate)
 - All legal matters
 - Admin matters

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Definition of a Contract

- ▣ Legal bond
 - ▣ Between two or more 'legal' subjects (persons)
 - Natural persons
 - Incorporated entities
 - Close Corporations
 - Companies
 - Trusts
 - Others – Partnership, Club, Church, Organ of State, etc.
 - ▣ To establish reciprocal legal duties/rights
 - ▣ They intend to be bound by
- (Pacta sunt Servanda)* – Contracts must be adhered to



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Purpose of a Contract

- ▣ Binds the parties legally
- ▣ Protects the parties legally (seller, purchaser & agent)
- ▣ Inform parties of contractual duties and rights (CPA)
- ▣ Explain terms to parties
- ▣ Regulate the practicalities
- ▣ Amends Common Law
- ▣ Obtains information
- ▣ Guides the agent
- ▣ Sets out the roles: who must do/is responsible for what?



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3 categories of terms in a Contract

- 1) Essential terms
 - Must be agreed on expressly
 - In writing (NOT VERBAL)
 - Signed by the parties
 - Alienation of Land Act sec 2
 - Electronic Communications and Transactions Act
- 2) Incidental terms
 - Expressly
 - In writing in agreement
 - Verbal (non-variation clause must limit)
 - Tacit
- 3) **Natural terms**
 - Implied by common law
 - Implied by legislation

- Substantive
- Procedural
- Interpretational



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Blank Spaces

16.1 This agreement is a pro forma agreement with blank spaces. If any of the blank spaces (including witnesses) remain open at the conclusion thereof, it will not have the effect that this agreement is null and void or voidable.

Note: Complete all blank spaces; or
N/A; or



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Contra proferentem-rule

16.2 This pro-forma agreement was drafted by an independent third party and it will not, in the event of ambiguity, be interpreted against either of the parties or the agency/agent.

- ☐ Common law rule of interpretation:
- ☐ In case of ambiguity a contract is interpreted against the drafter
- ☐ Who is the drafter?
 - Agent who introduces the pro-forma document
 - Seller who appointed the agent
 - Purchaser who makes the offer
- ☐ Rather regulate the position that everyone is on the same playing field



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Headings

16.3 Headings are for convenience only and the intention of the parties must be derived from the text.



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Singular and gender

16.4 All references to singular includes plural and vice versa (if applicable).
All references to male includes female and vice versa (if applicable).



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16. Eiusdem generis-rule

16.5 Any reference to a list and/or the words “including”, “in particular” and “amongst others” must be read as inclusive and not limiting.

- ☐ Common law rule of interpretation:
- ☐ When a law lists classes of things, this concept is used to clarify such a list.
- ☐ General words follow specific words in a statutory enumeration, the general words are construed to embrace only objects similar in nature to those objects enumerated by the preceding specific words
- ☐ E.g. The seller must fix the damp amongst other in the bedroom, sitting room and kitchen
- ☐ What if there is also damp in the bathroom?



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Days

16.6 Any reference to “days” refers to working days except if legislation dictates otherwise. When calculating days, the first day is excluded and the last day included.

- ☐ Common law rule of interpretation:
 - ☐ Days are calculated ito Civil method (FILO)
 - ☐ Legislation – Interpretation Act (FOLI)

Calendar days vs Business days vs Court days



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Conditions

16.7 Excluding the suspensive conditions contained in clauses 2 (bond approval) and 3.4 (sale of the purchaser's current property) no other condition will be interpreted as suspensive or resolute in nature, but merely as a term to the agreement, unless the condition specifically states otherwise.

A special condition must be complied with prior to lodgement unless a specific due date is agreed upon.

The transferring attorney may ask for confirmation of the completion or compliance of the special condition once they are in a position to lodge the transaction in the deeds office.



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Governing law

16.8 This agreement is governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.



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Entire Agreement clause

17.1. This agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement between the parties.

No warranties, representation or other terms and conditions of whatsoever nature that the agent, seller or purchaser makes, shall be of force or effect unless contained or recorded in this agreement, or in an annexure or addendum signed by both the parties or as set out in clause 17.2.2.



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Non-Variation

17.2. No variation, addition or deletion of the terms and conditions of this agreement, its annexures or addendums, including this clause, shall be of any force or effect unless:

17.2.1. it is reduced to writing and signed by the parties in an addendum; alternatively

17.2.2. it is confirmed via email (as set out in clause 11.2) by both the seller and purchaser on written request by the transferring attorney or agent, in which request the amendment is expressly contained and it is declared that it is their intention to make the amendment, addition or deletion to the agreement as set out in the request.



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No failure, omission, waiver or relaxation

- 17.3.** No failure, omission, waiver or relaxation of any of the provisions of this agreement, nor any failure by a party to enforce the provisions of this agreement due to any breach, shall operate as a legal defence against any party in respect of his/her rights under this agreement, nor shall it preclude such party thereafter from exercising its rights strictly in accordance with this agreement.



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Multiple parties

- 17.4.** If multiple sellers or purchasers are party to this agreement, they are jointly and severally liable for the fulfilment of the contractual obligations.



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Direct Marketing (sec 15 CPA)

- 17.5.** The purchaser confirms that this transaction does not result from direct marketing by the agent and that he/she had ample time to consider the offer before it was made.



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Contract explained – CPA & PPA

- 17.6.** The purchaser and seller confirm that the material terms of this agreement have been brought to their attention and they understand the contents thereof.



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Severance Clause

17.7. Any term or stipulation in this agreement that is void and/or unenforceable shall be limited to that clause of the agreement. Such stipulation shall, therefore, be regarded as a separate clause that is not part of the agreement and does not affect the legal validity of the rest of the agreement.



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Counterparts

17.8. This agreement and any annexures or addendums thereto may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together, shall constitute one and the same document concluded on the date of the last signature thereof.



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Certain clause becomes effective immediately

- 17.9.** All obligations are effective as from date of acceptance of this agreement by the seller regardless of any suspensive condition clause, unless it is clearly stated that an obligation is suspended until the fulfilment of the suspensive conditions. The purchaser and seller must therefore fulfil these obligations, notwithstanding the fact that the date for fulfilment of any suspensive condition has not yet transpired.



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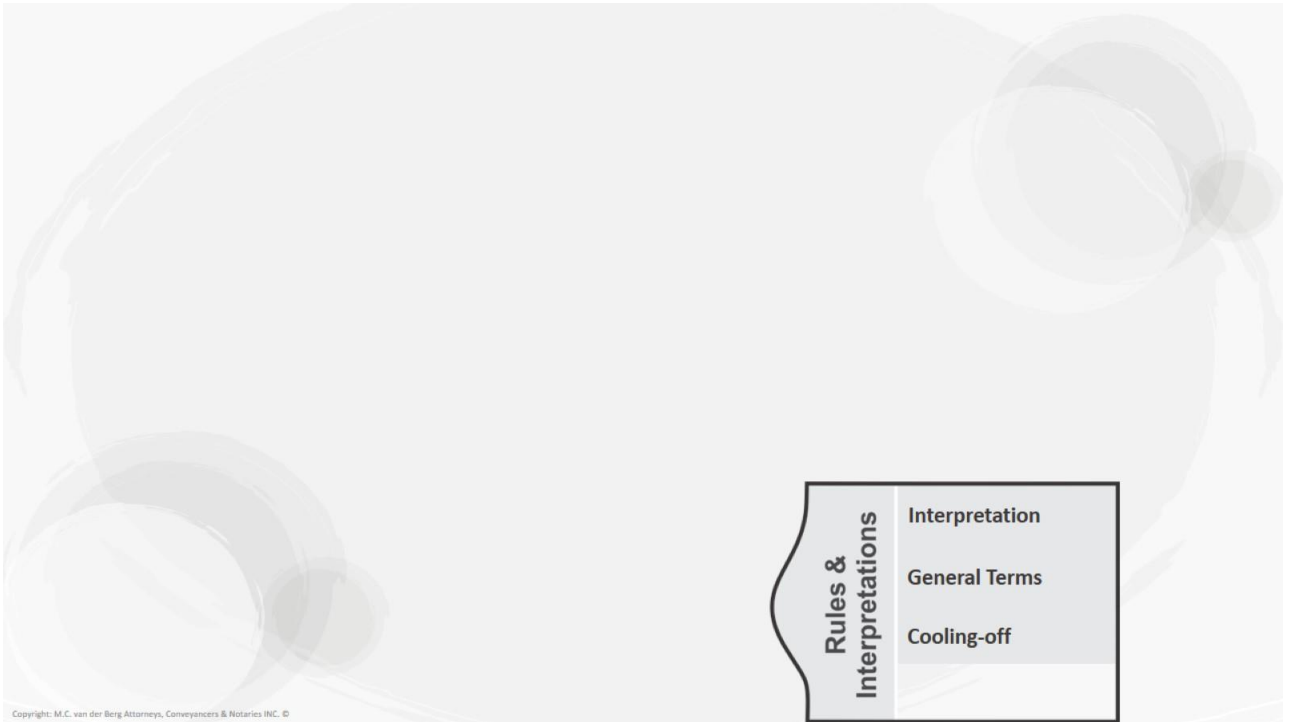
Certain clause remain effective after cancellation

- 17.10.** If any clause in this agreement is intended to have effect after termination of this agreement, the termination will not affect the validity of that clause. The rights and obligations arising from clauses intended to subsist after termination, are enforceable.



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Cooling off clause

- ▣ Three cooling off Clauses
 - Sec 29 A – Alienation of Land Act
 - Sec 92 – National Credit Act
 - Sec 16 – Consumer Protection Act

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Sec 29 A – Alienation of Land Act

COOLING-OFF CLAUSE

The purchaser has the right to revoke this offer or to terminate this agreement, as stipulated and set out in section 29A of the Alienation of Land Act 68 of 1981. A written notice must be delivered to the seller or his/her agent within 5 (five) days from date of offer. This right is only available to the purchaser if the purchase price is R250 000 (Two hundred and fifty thousand Rand) or less, provided the purchaser is a natural person.



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Sec 92 – National Credit Act

- ▣ A credit provider must not enter into a small credit agreement unless the credit provider has given the consumer a pre-agreement statement and quotation in the prescribed form.
- ▣ a quotation in the prescribed form, setting out the principal debt, the proposed distribution of that amount, the interest rate and other credit costs, the total cost of the proposed agreement, and the basis of any costs that may be assessed under section 121(3) if the consumer rescinds the contract.
- ▣ (3) Subject only to subsection (4), sections 81 and 101(l)(d)(ii), for a period of five 5 business days after the date on which a quotation is presented in terms of subsection (a) with respect to a small agreement, the credit provider must, at the request of the consumer, enter into the contemplated credit agreement at or below the interest rate or credit cost quoted, subject only to sections 81 and 101(i)(d)(ii); 50 (2Mb



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Sec 16 – Consumer Protection Act

■ Direct Marketing



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PARTIES

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Parties particulars
POPI & FICA
Corporate measures
Irrevocable offer
Annex. A, B, H, H & I
Parties Sign

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Parties particulars

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Legal requirements for (all) Contracts

- Consensus (meeting of the minds)
 - on at least the **Essential** terms of that particular specie (type) of contract
 - Parties
 - Property
 - Price
- Parties must be legally competent
- Legally and physically executable
- Comply with legal formalities
 - In writing
 - Signed
 - Witnesses?

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1. Contractual capacity – Natural Persons

- Contractual capacity = ability of person to enter into an agreement
- Not all natural persons have contractual capacity
- Various aspects influence this
 - a) Age
 - b) Marriage
 - c) Mental Capacity
 - d) Insolvency

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Example

Purchaser One

Name: John Smith (Marital status as per Annexure A)

ID/Reg. no.: 700202 5123 085 and (if the purchaser is a company, close corporation or a trust) herein represented by the undersigned, duly authorised thereto being N/A



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2. Contractual capacity – Juristic Person

▣ Juristic person

- Company
- Close Corporation

▣ Regulated by

- Companies – Companies Act
- Close Corporation – Close Corporations Act

▣ Registered at

- CIPC



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3. Contractual capacity – Trusts

- ▣ **Trust is neither**
 - Natural person
 - Juristic person
- ▣ **Regulated by**
 - The common law and
 - The Trust property Control Act
- ▣ **Registered at Master of High Court**
 - Issues a letter of authority as proof
 - Assigns unique number IT 1234/95T
 - Appoints trustees



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Juristic Person / Trust will be bound by agreement

- ▣ If signatory is indeed duly authorized
 - ▣ Agent can't assume that
 - Director (Company)
 - Member (CC)
 - Employee
 - Official
- } Is duly authorized
- ▣ ∴ Must obtain a resolution (or ratification if permitted)
 - ▣ Hold representative liable!



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Purchaser One

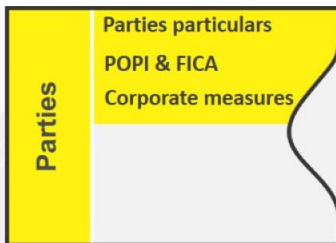
Name: Corona Masks (Pty) Ltd (Marital status as per Annexure A)

ID/Reg. no.: 2007/123456/07 and (if the purchaser is a company, close corporation or a trust) herein represented by the undersigned, duly authorised thereto being John Smith



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15.1 Representation and authorization

- ▣ Signatory confirms he/she (John Smith) is:
 - Appointed as representative
 - Duly authorized
 - As follows:
 - Pty/CC
 - Resolution (before)
 - Ratifications (after)
 - Trust
 - Resolution (before)



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Annexure H: Resolution / Ratification

- ▣ Referenced in clause 15.1
- ▣ Authorization needed for PTY/CC/Trust
- ▣ NB! Trusts – before date of contract
- ▣ Pty/CC can be ratified
- ▣ Template (Annexure H)



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15.1 Representation and authorization

15.1. Representation and authorisation

The signatory hereto acting as a representative of a company, close corporation (hereafter a 'legal entity') or trust warrants that he/she is duly authorised, to enter into this agreement as well as any annexures, addendums and the commission agreement:-

15.1.1. In the case of a company or a close corporation:

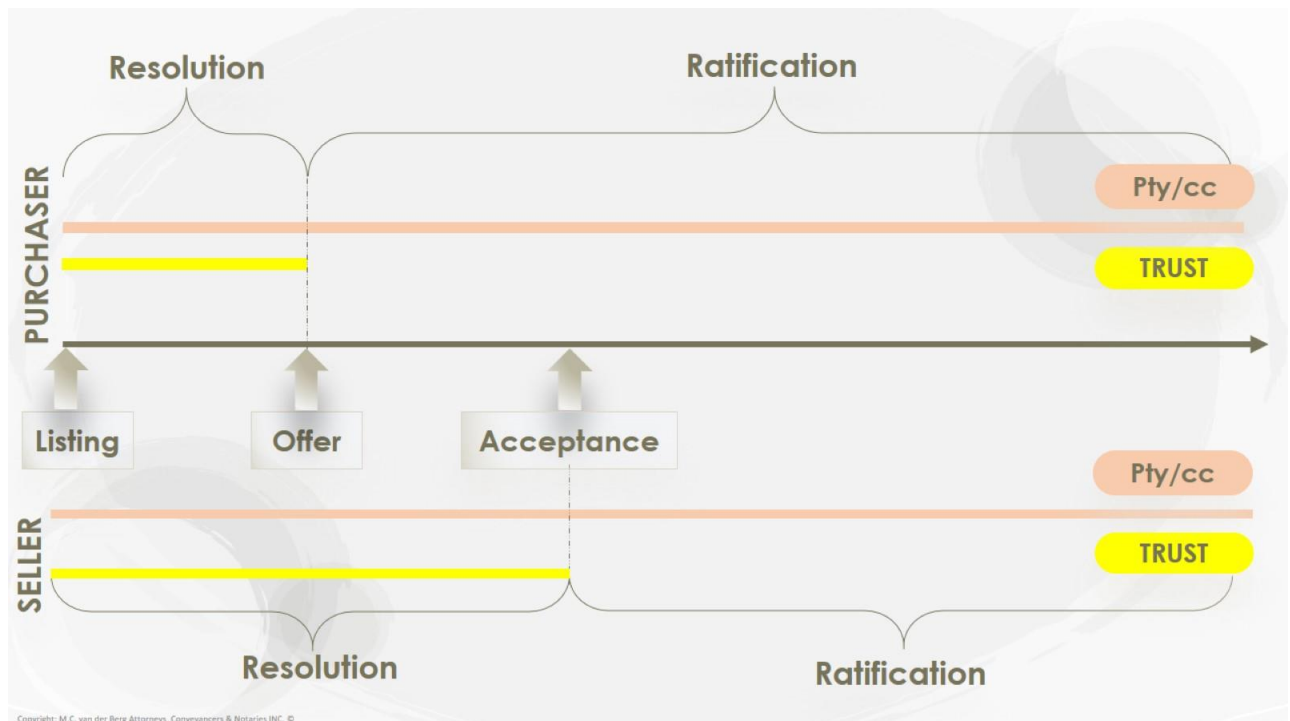
15.1.1.1. By resolution (Annexure H) before the date of signature of the representative; or

15.1.1.2. By ratification (Annexure H) immediately after the date of signature of the representative.

15.1.2. In the case of a trust, by resolution (Annexure H) before the date of signature of the representative.

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REFERENCE NUMBER: _____

ANNEXURE H – RESOLUTION/RATIFICATION**Passed by the DIRECTORS / MEMBERS / TRUSTEES of the COMPANY/CLOSE CORPORATION/TRUST of**

_____ Registration number: _____ passed:

- i. At a meeting held at _____ on _____ 20____; or
 ii. By round-robin and via email on the dates and places as stipulated in clause 4.

IT IS RESOLVED/RATIFIED THAT:

1. The Company / Close Corporation / Trust ☐ ***Purchases** ☐ ***Sells** **Delete which is not applicable*

a) The following property:

<u>Sectional title:</u> Unit no.: _____ Erf no.: _____ Suburb/Township: _____ Sectional title scheme known as: _____ OR <u>Full title:</u> Portion: _____ (if applicable) Erf no.: _____ Suburb/Township: _____	PROPERTY
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b) in the amount of R _____ (_____ Rand)

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2. By resolution before signature of the agreement*

(Full names and surname) _____

(ID no.) _____ in his/her capacity as director/member/trustee/representative is hereby authorised to negotiate and sign the agreement of sale and all other relevant documents and to do whatever necessary to effect registration of transfer of the aforementioned property; or

3. By ratification after signature of the agreement* *(only Companies and Close Corporations)*

(Full names and surname) _____

(ID no.) _____ representative on behalf of the company/close corporation as well as the negotiations already effected and the agreement signed by him/her in his/her capacity as director/member or representative regarding the aforementioned property is hereby confirmed and ratified.

Delete which is not applicable (2 or 3)*4. Signed by Directors/Members/Trustees:**

DIRECTORS/MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	PLACE	DATE	SIGNATURES
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

The abovementioned signatories hereby certify that on date of signature they hold the office as director/member/trustee of the said company/close corporation/trust.

This annexure must be read with clause 15 of the purchase agreement.

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15.2. Liability and surety

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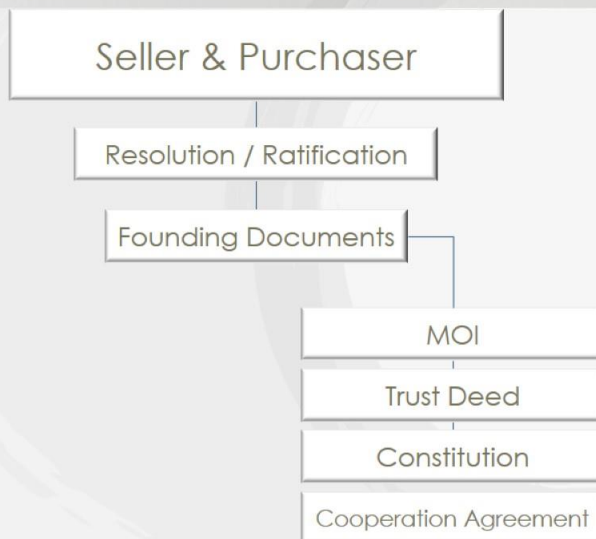
In the case of non-compliance with the conditions set out herein, or if the necessary authorisation has not/cannot be obtained from the legal entity or trust, the signatory hereby binds him-/herself personally as surety and co-principal debtor jointly and severally for the proper fulfilment by the legal entity or trust of all its obligations in terms of this agreement.



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15.3 Presentation of documents




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The various parties shall immediately, upon request, provide the transferring attorney and/or bond attorney with all documents including, but not limited to resolutions, ratifications, founding documents, shareholders agreements and any cooperation agreements.

The parties confirm that all documents supplied are correct, registered (if applicable) and the most recent documents.



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Relevant clause in pro-forma contract

☐ Agent will not know if:

- Transaction is legal → Companies Act / Close Corporation Act
 - e.g. shareholders must consent if > 50% is sold
- Within scope of MOI (Internal rules + regulations of a company)
- Within a scope of Association agreement (Internal rules of Close Corporation)
- Trust deed
- Signatory has indeed been authorized
 - If not yet authorized – actions should be ratified (ratified = approval by directors/members afterwards)

☐ Therefore get signatory to verify all of the above



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15. Corporate measures

15.4 Compliance

15.4.1 Transaction not inconsistent with (external measures)

- ⇒ Companies Act, 71 of 2008; or
- ⇒ Close Corporation Act, 69 of 1984; or
- ⇒ Trust Property Control Act, 57 of 1988

15.4.2 Transaction not in conflict with objectives of (internal measures):

- ⇒ the memorandum of incorporation;
- ⇒ co-operation agreement;
- ⇒ trust deed;
- ⇒ Etc.



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15. Corporate measures

15.4 Compliance continues..

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- ☐ All necessary steps have been taken
- ☐ Signatory is acting within scope of authority
- ☐ Authority has been given:
 - ⇒ Directors;
 - ⇒ Members;
 - ⇒ Trustees



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15.4. Compliance

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The signatory declares that:

- 15.4.1.** this agreement is not inconsistent with any section of the Companies Act 71 of 2008, the Close Corporations Act 69 of 1984, the Trust Property Control Act 57 of 1988 or any other relevant legislation (whichever is applicable);
- 15.4.2.** this agreement is not inconsistent with any of the objectives of any memorandum of incorporation, shareholders agreement, cooperation agreement, trust deed or constitution of the company, close corporation, trust or other institution (whichever is applicable);
- 15.4.3.** all necessary steps have been taken and that this transaction, in particular, is authorised without limitation by the directors, members or trustees. The signatory also declares that he/she is indeed acting within his/her rights and the scope of the authorisation and the objectives and mandate of the legal entity or trust.



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Pre-Incorporation Agreements

- ▣ You are sitting with a purchaser Friday 10 o'clock at night
- ▣ He wants to make an offer, but:
 - wants to buy the property in the name of a CC/Company/Trust
 - he doesn't have the registered entity yet
- ▣ 2 Options
 - Wait till Monday and buy a company from Shelf Company Warehouse
 - Make use of a **pre-incorporation agreement**
 - Same pro-forma Agreement
 - Purchaser is just cited differently



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Pre-incorporation Agreements

15.5 Pre-incorporation agreements

- Common law: "No one can act as a representative for a non-existing principal"
- Common law can be changed by legislation
 - ⇒ Companies Act – makes provision for pre-incorporation agreements
 - ⇒ Close Corporations Act – used to make provision for pre-incorporation agreements – NOT ANYMORE!
 - ⇒ Trust Property Control Act – no provision for pre-incorporation agreements
 - Common law principle persists

Annexure I applicable



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Pre-incorporation Agreements

- ▣ John Smith for a company to be formed
- ▣ John Smith for a Close Corporation to be formed
- ▣ John Smith for a Trust to be formed



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Example

Purchaser One

Name: John Smith for a Company to be formed (Marital status as per Annexure A)

ID/Reg. no.: N/A_____ and (If the purchaser is a company, close corporation or a trust)
herein represented by the undersigned, duly authorised thereto being
_N/A_____

Note : It is not the intention that John Smith becomes the purchaser
: Sec 2 of the Transfer Duty Act is not applicable



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15.5. Pre-incorporation Agreements

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If the purchaser is a company to be formed, Annexure I is incorporated into this agreement.



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Annexure I – Pre-Incorporation Agreements

This annexure/addendum forms an integral part of the main agreement signed by:

_____ (the purchaser(s)) and

_____ (the seller(s))

on this _____ day of _____ 20 _____ regarding the property known as:

Sectional title: Unit no.: _____ Erf no.: _____ Suburb/Township: _____

Sectional title scheme known as: _____

Full title: Erf No.: _____ Suburb/Township: _____ OR

Farm: Portion: _____ (if applicable), of the Farm known as _____ OR

Agricultural Holding: Portion: _____ (if applicable) Holding _____

PROPERTY

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Annexure I – Pre-Incorporation Agreements

As the purchaser is purchasing the property on behalf of a company which has not been registered yet, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. The signatory hereto acts as a representative for the company and shall be held personally liable should such company not fulfil the obligations in terms of this agreement. By signing this agreement, the representative binds him-/herself as surety and co-principal debtor jointly and severally for the proper fulfilment of all the contractual obligations.
2. After conclusion of this agreement: -
 - 2.1. the company to-be-formed must be incorporated within 40 (forty) working days; and
 - 2.2. the company to-be-formed must ratify this agreement within 10 (ten) working days from date of incorporation.
3. Should the representative fail to comply with clause 2, the said representative shall become the purchaser in his/her personal capacity and shall be obliged to take transfer into his/her/their own name.

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Annexure I – Pre-Incorporation Agreements

Purchaser(s)

THUS DONE AND SIGNED BY ME/US at _____ on this ____ day of _____ 20__

Signature - Purchaser 1: _____ Witness: _____

Full names: _____ Name: _____

ID no.: _____

Signature - Purchaser 2: _____ Witness: _____

Full names: _____ Name: _____

ID no.: _____

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Annexure I – Pre-Incorporation Agreements

Seller(s)

THUS DONE AND SIGNED BY ME/US at _____ on this ____ day of _____ 20__

Signature - Seller 1: _____ Witness: _____

Full names: _____ Name: _____

ID no.: _____

Signature - Seller 2: _____ Witness: _____

Full names: _____ Name: _____

ID no.: _____

This Annexure must be read with clause 15.5 of the agreement of sale.

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Nomination Agreements

- ▣ You are sitting with a purchaser FRIDAY MORNING 10 o'clock
- ▣ She wants to make an offer
- ▣ But is unsure whether she wants to buy property in
 - Her own name / husbands name / both their names
 - Company A
 - Trust
- ▣ First wants to get legal and financial advice
- ▣ Two options
 - Wait till after she received advice
 - Make use of **nomination agreement**
 - Same Pro-forma Agreement
 - Purchaser is just cited differently

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Nomination Agreements

Purchaser One

Name: Susan Smith or Nominee (Marital status as per Annexure A)

ID/Reg. no.: N/A_____ and (if the purchaser is a company, close corporation or a trust)
herein represented by the undersigned, duly authorised thereto being
N/A_____

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Nomination Agreements

- ▣ It is the intention Susan Smith becomes the purchaser (if no nomination)
- ▣ Therefore Sec 2 of the Transfer Duty Act is applicable
- ▣ But Susan MUST nominate a 3rd party ON THE SAME DAY
 - another person or entity – The Smith Family Trust
 - It will then be regarded as 1 (one) transaction (Seller sells to Smith Family Trust)
- ▣ If Susan Smith does not nominate a 3rd party she will remain the purchaser
- ▣ If Susan does not nominate on the same day the transaction will be regarded as 2 transactions for transfer duty purposes
 - Seller – Susan Smith
 - Susan Smith – The Smith Family Trust



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Seller not owner (yet)

- ▣ Seller – does not have to be owner on date of agreement of sale
- ▣ BUT must have reasonable expectation to become owner
- ▣ This will happen when:
 - Purchaser of property wants so sell the property
 - Before he/she took transfer
 - Speculation
 - Divorce
 - Heir
- ▣ Back to back transfer
- ▣ Transfer duty on both transfers
- ▣ Disclose position and make conditional to seller taking transfer



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Parties

Parties particulars
POPI & FICA
Corporate measures
Irrevocable offer
Annex. A, B, H, H & I
Parties Sign

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MONEY

The Money

Purchase Price
Mortgage Loan
Payment Breakdown
Added Conditions
Annexure D

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The Money

Purchase Price
Mortgage Loan

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Approval of Mortgage Loan – Clause 2.

2.1. This offer is subject to the suspensive condition that the purchaser obtains a mortgage loan from a bank as regulated by the National Credit Act 34 of 2005, if applicable, in the amount of R _____ (_____ Rand) before 23:59 on _____ 20 ____ (mortgage loan fulfilment date), **on the usual terms and conditions** applicable from time to time as required by the banks.



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National Credit Act

- ▣ Protects certain category of consumers of Purchasers
 - Natural person
 - Always
 - Juristic person
 - Assets < R2 million or
 - Turnover in a year is < R2 million
 - Trust
 - Trust with 2 or less trustees or
 - Assets < R2 million or
 - Turnover in a year is < R2 million



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When is the suspensive condition fulfilled?

When did the purchaser obtain the mortgage loan?

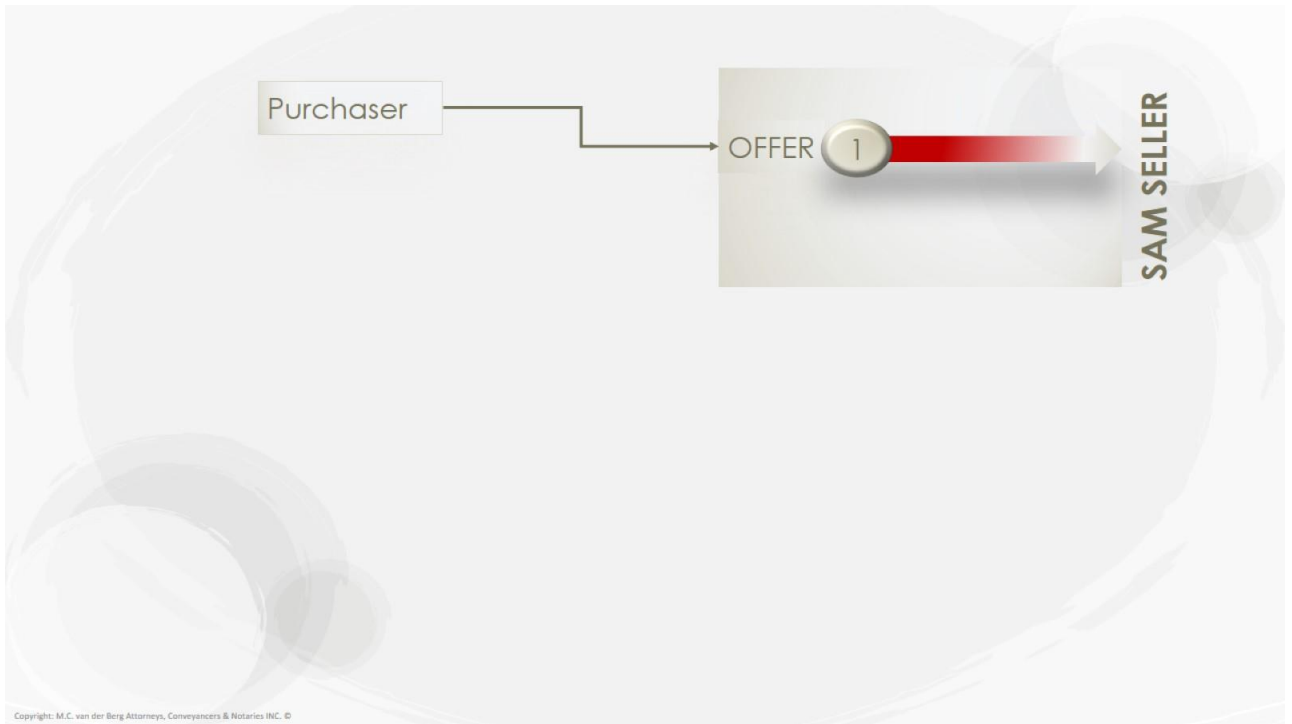


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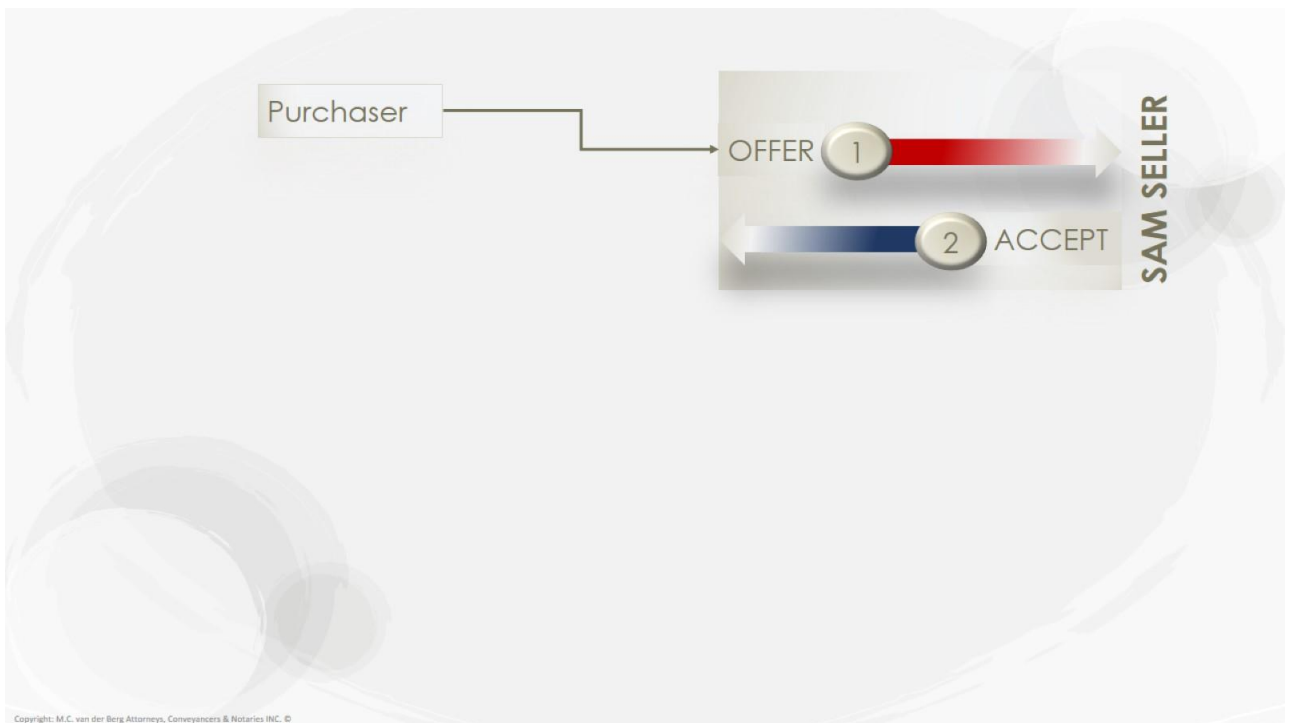
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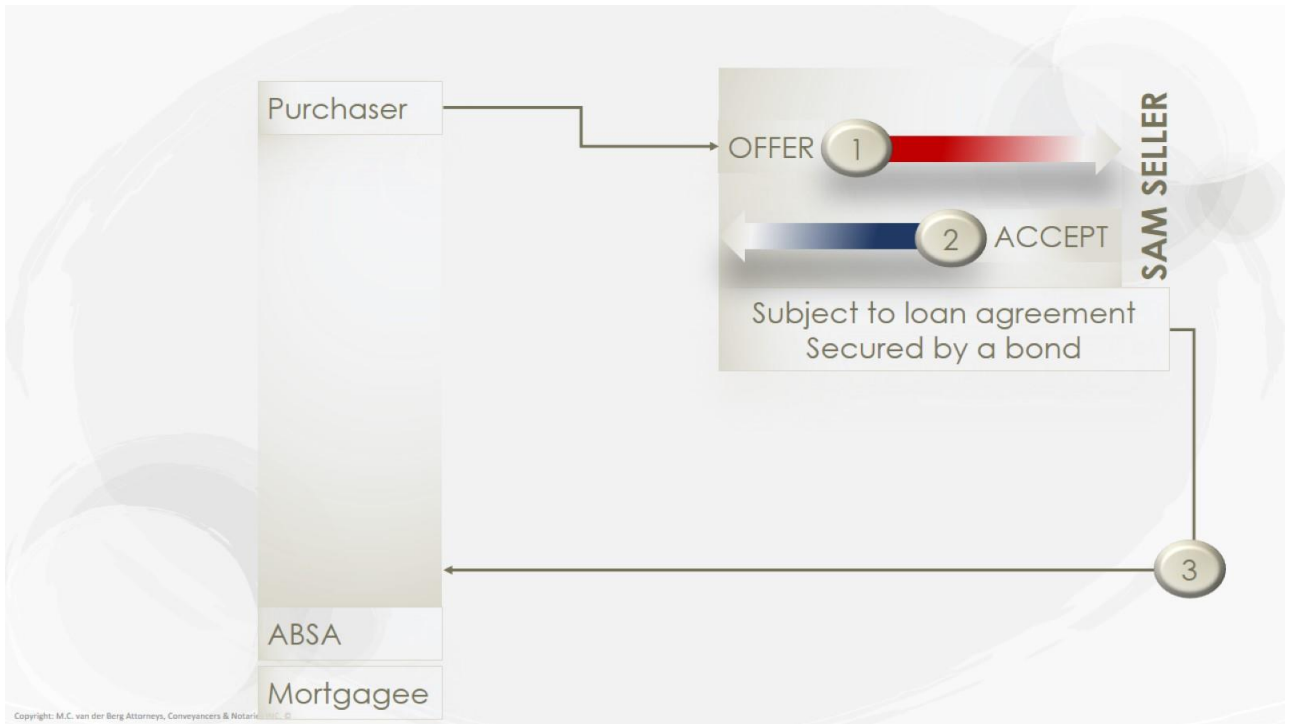
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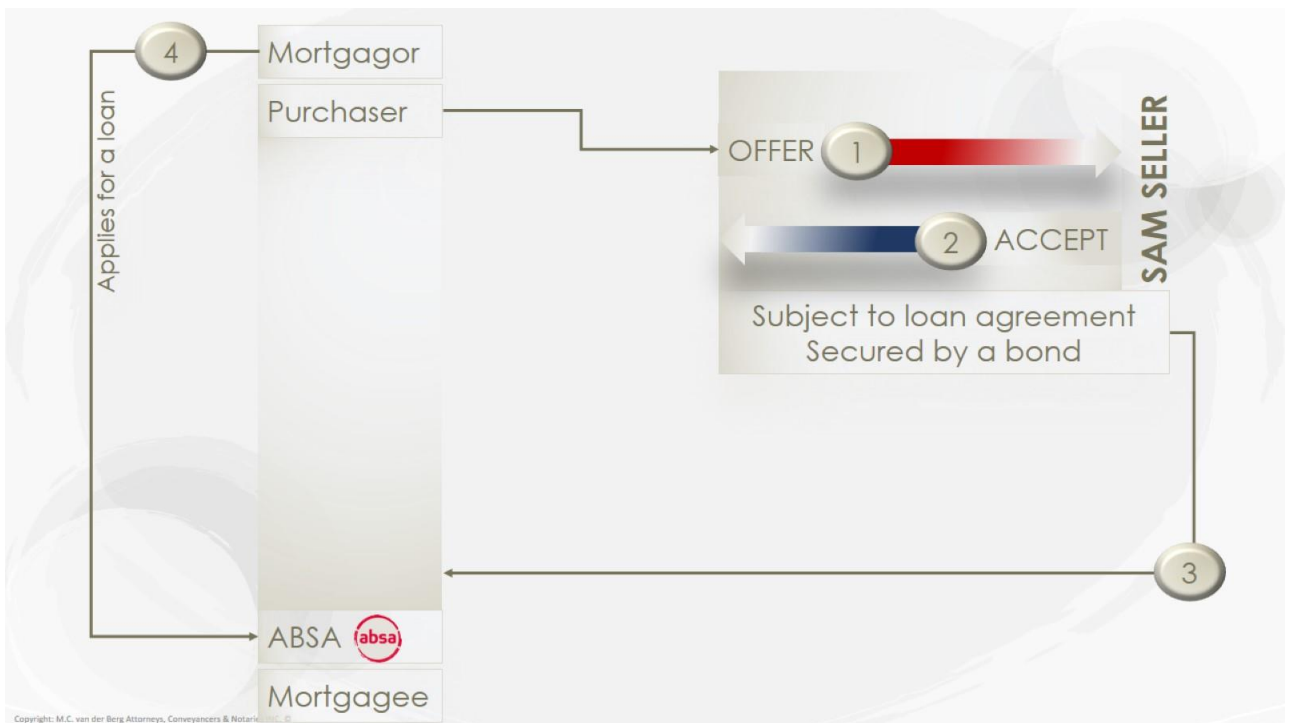
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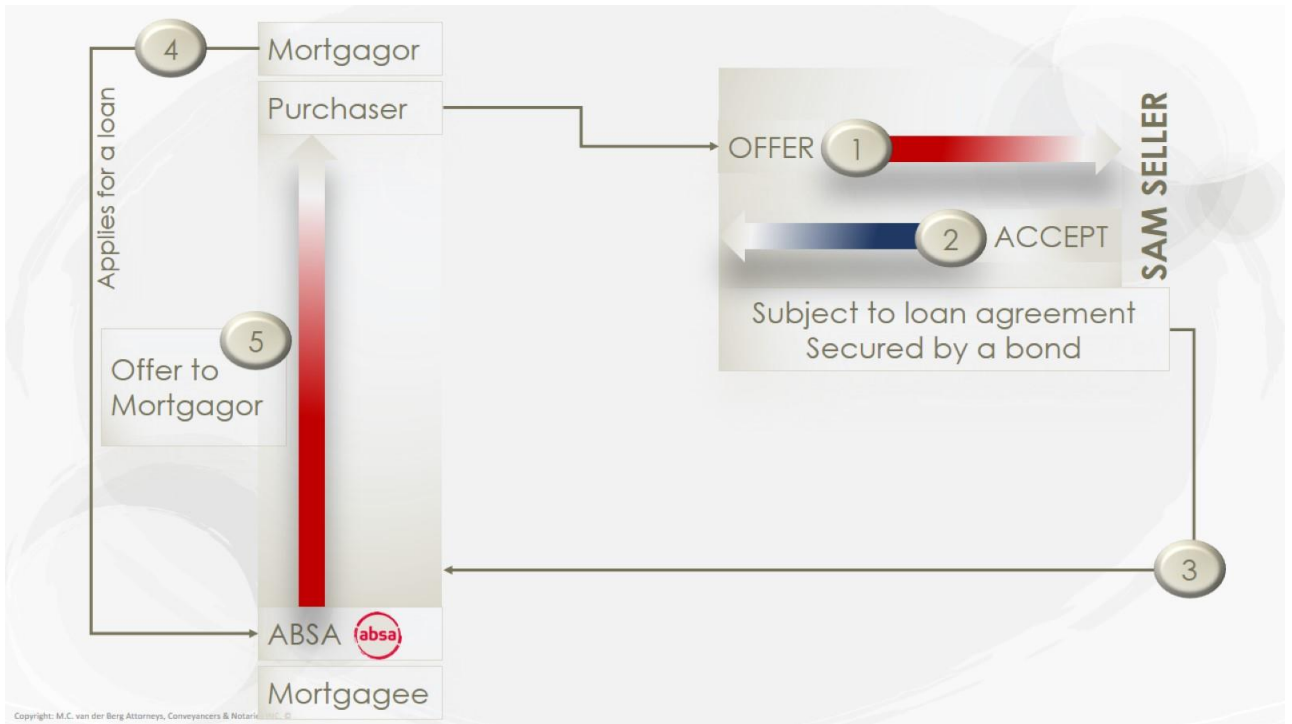
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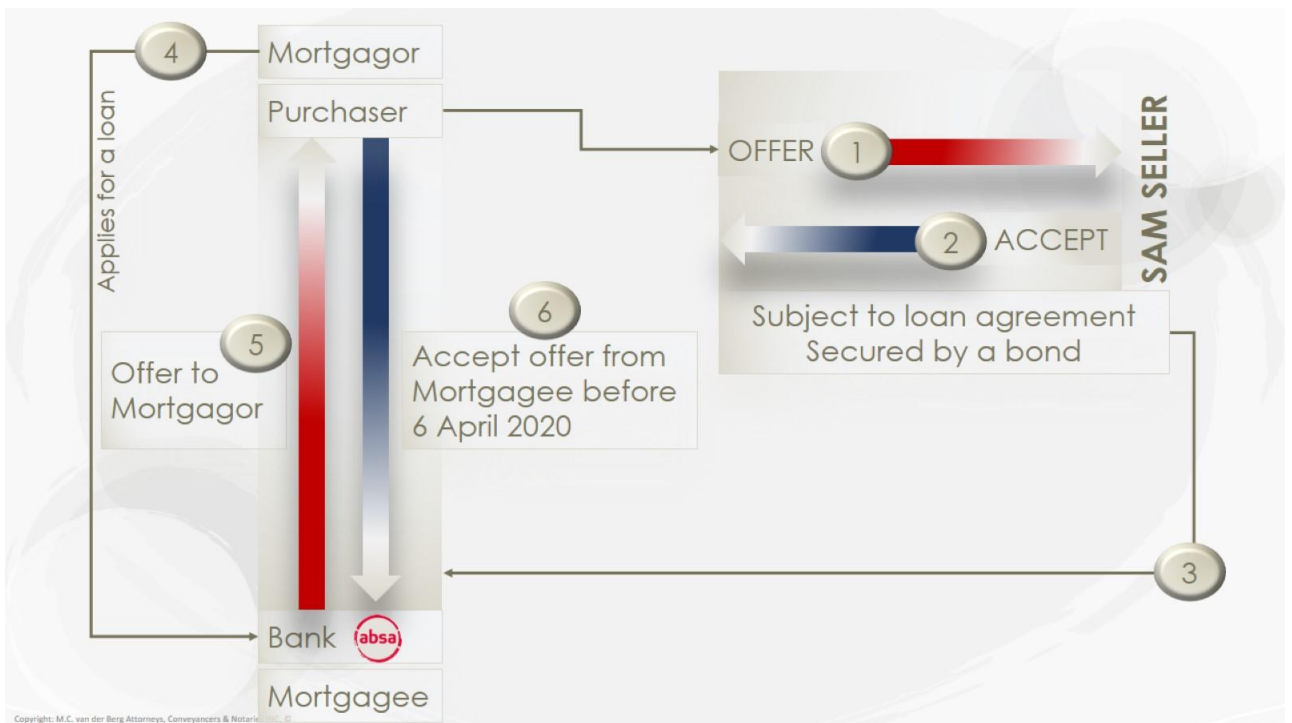
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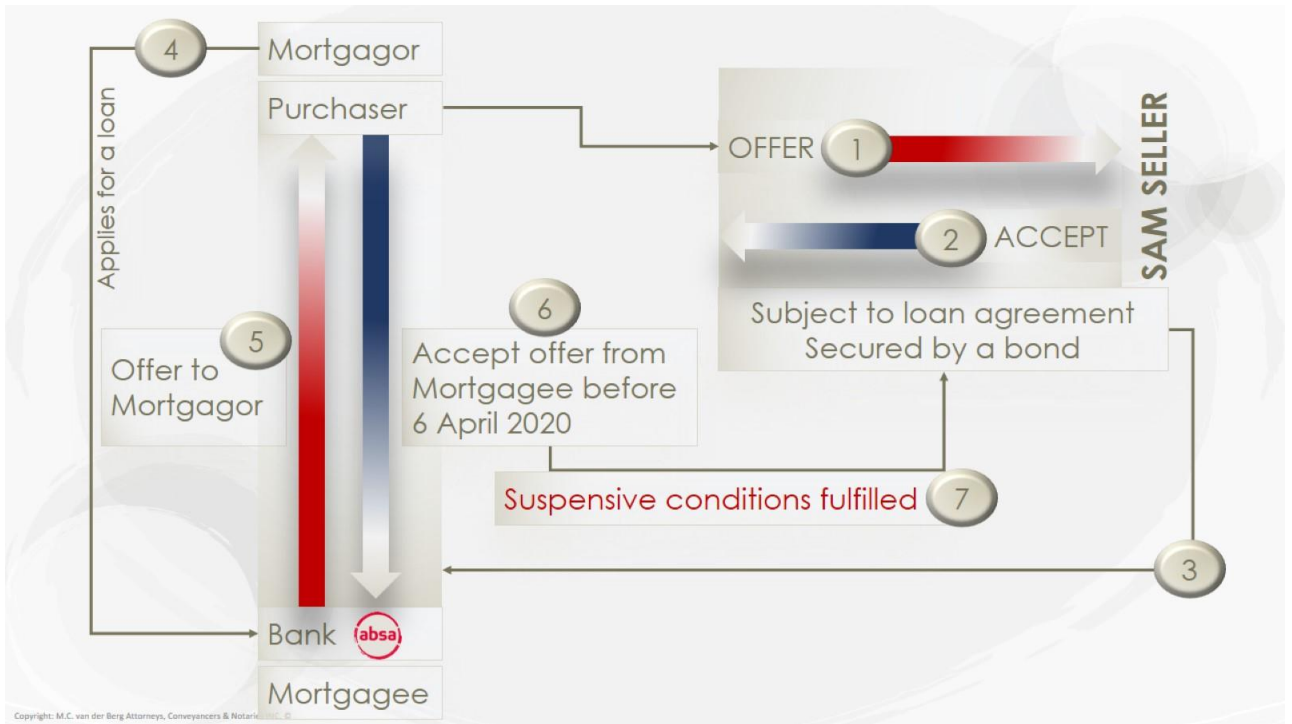
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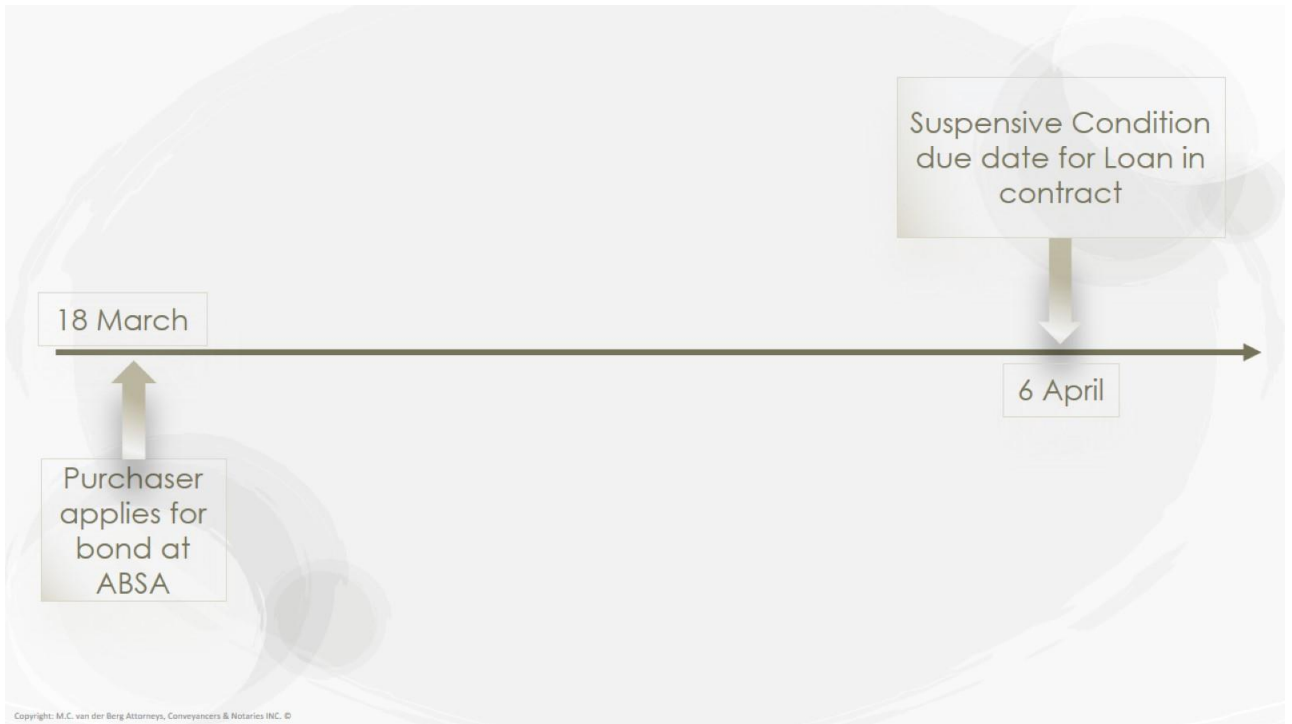
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The Mortgage loan application and approval process

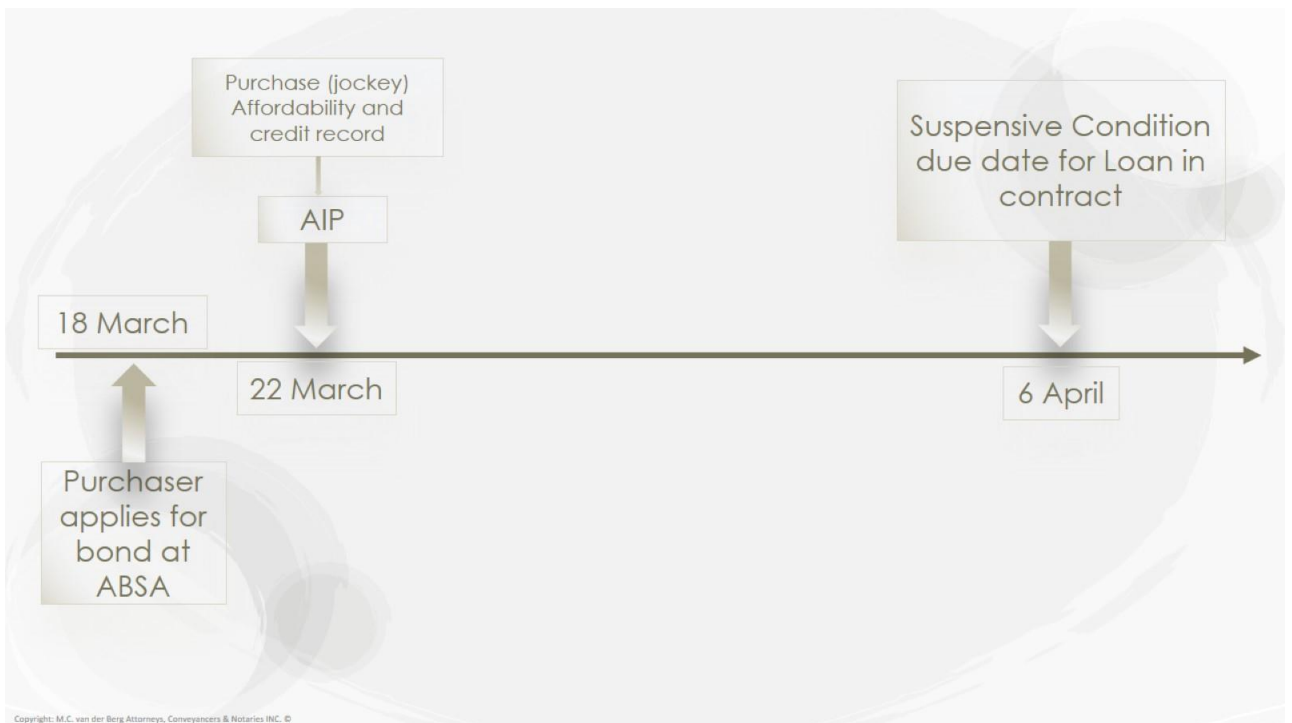
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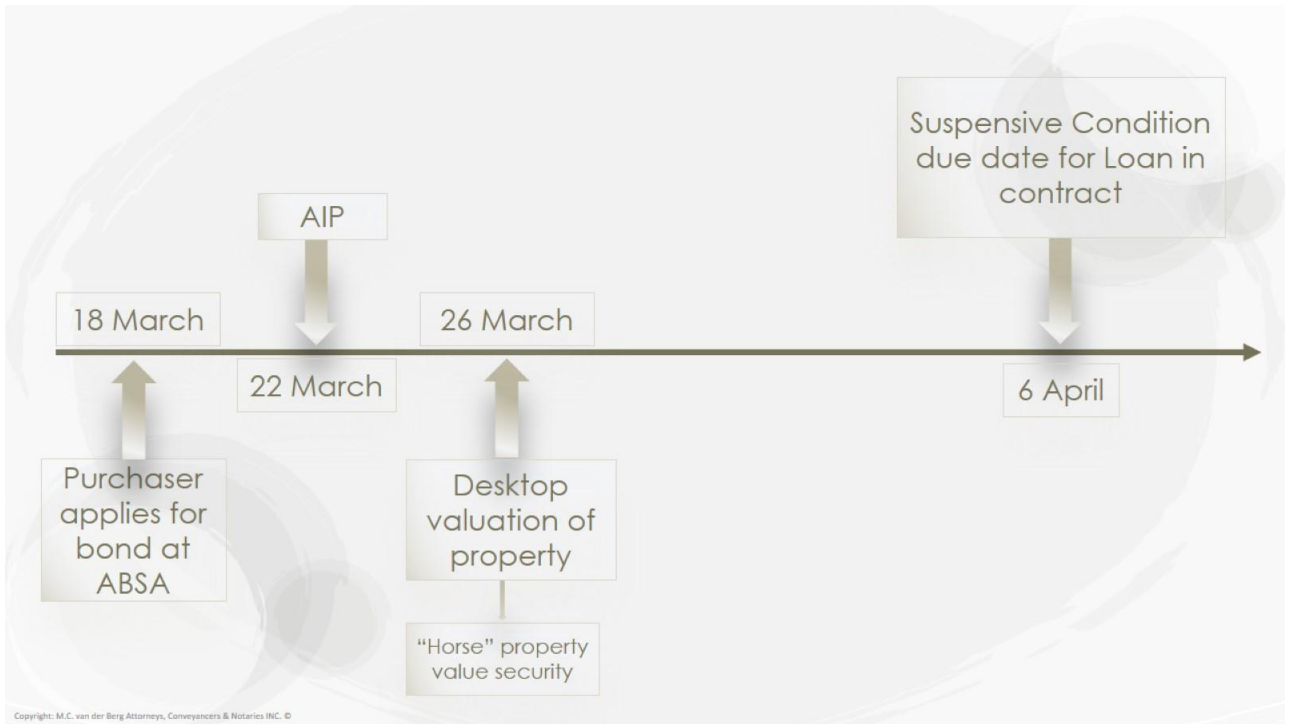
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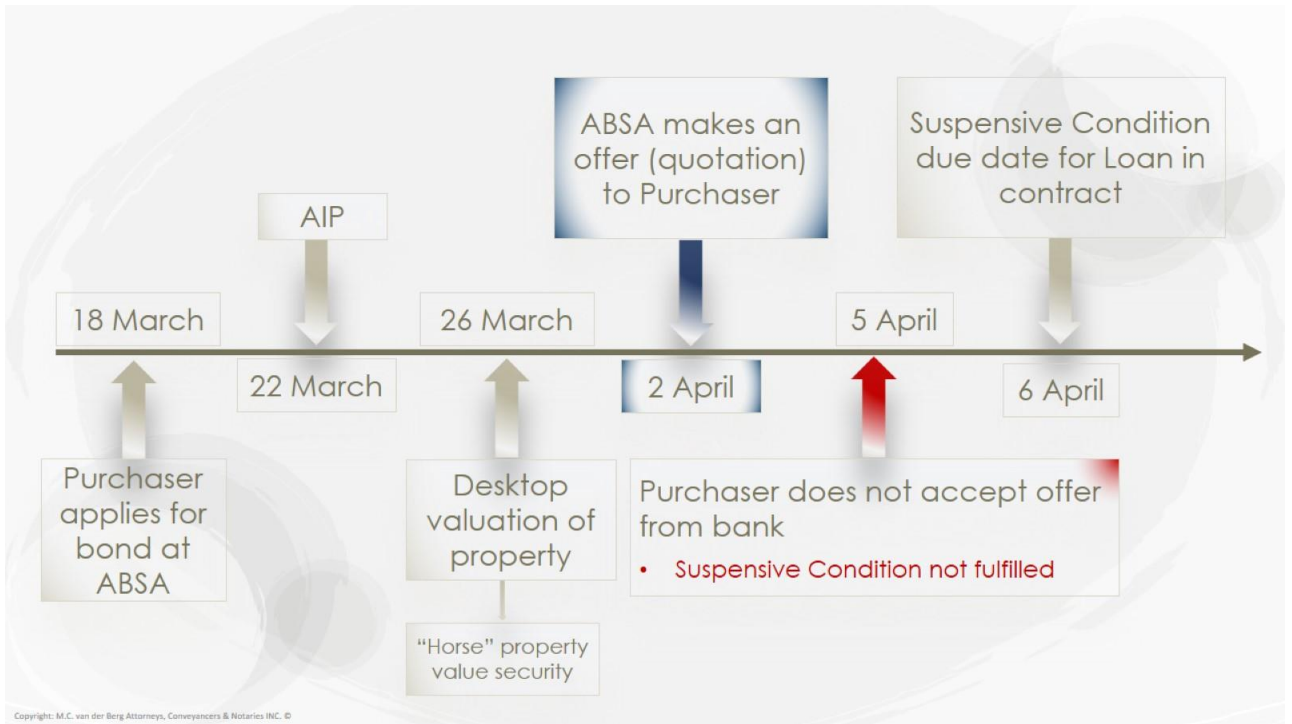
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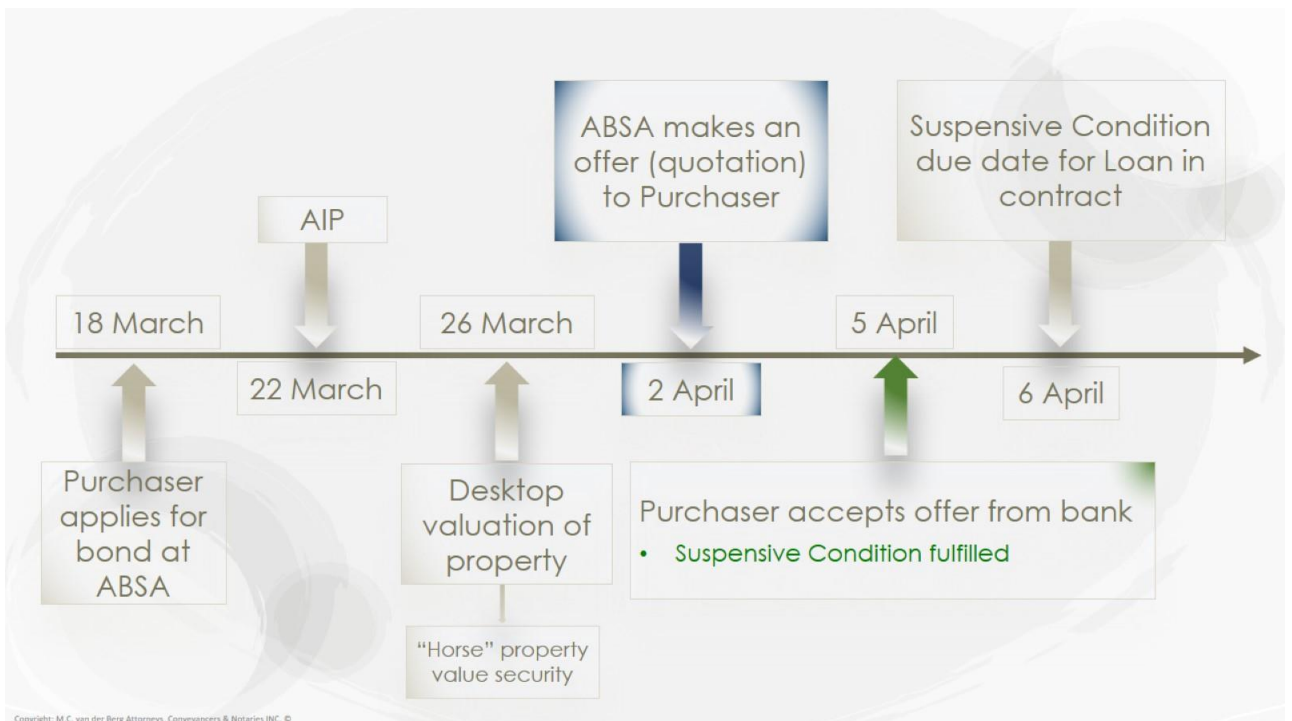
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Approval of Mortgage Loan

- 2.2.** The purchaser must apply for the mortgage loan immediately after acceptance of this offer, irrespective that this transaction may be subject to the sale of the purchaser's property or any other suspensive condition

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How to Postpone the Mortgage loan due date

- ▣ Important to get Mortgage loan approved before due date
- ▣ Must postpone due date before it lapses
- ▣ Question is how?
 - ➔ Bilateral?
 - **Non-variation clause** requires both parties to consent
 - ➔ Unilateral
 - Make provision in agreement



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Non-Variation

- 17.2.** No variation, addition or deletion of the terms and conditions of this agreement, its annexures or addendums, including this clause, shall be of any force or effect unless:
- 17.2.1.** it is reduced to writing and signed by the parties in an addendum; alternatively
 - 17.2.2.** it is confirmed via email (as set out in clause 11.2) by both the seller and purchaser on written request by the transferring attorney or agent, in which request the amendment is expressly contained and it is declared that it is their intention to make the amendment, addition or deletion to the agreement as set out in the request.



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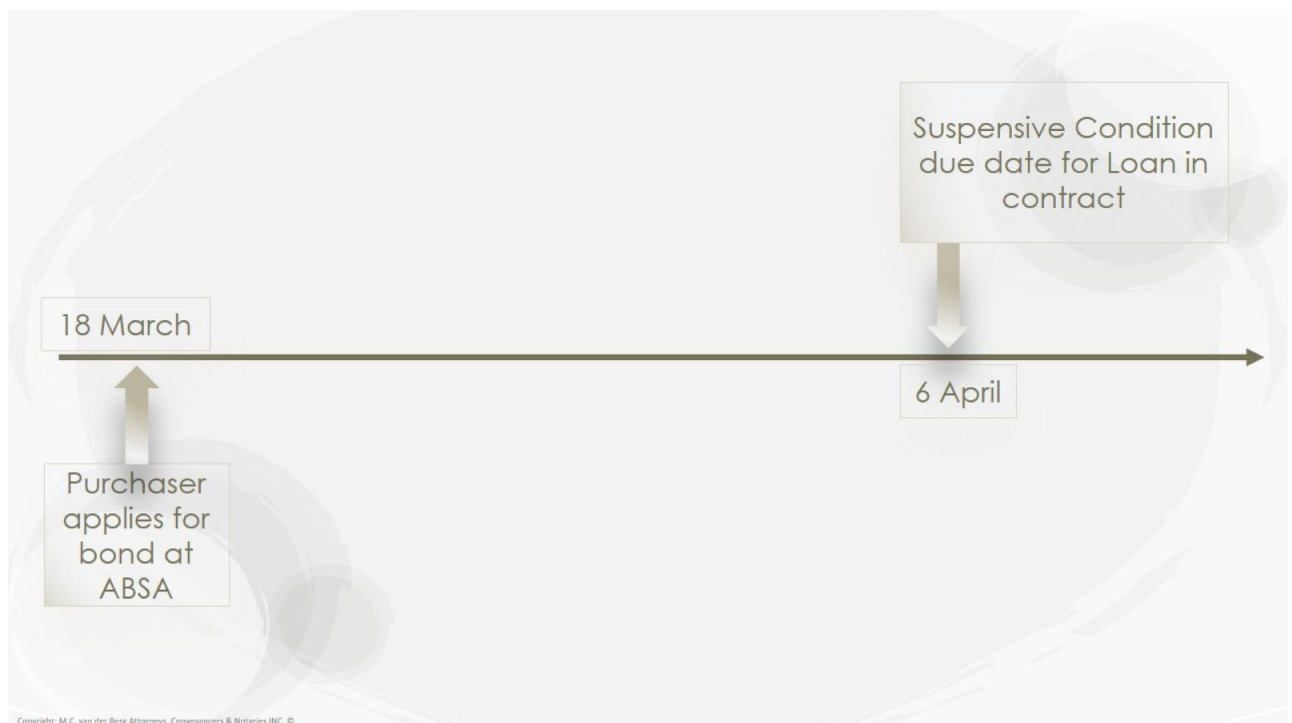
APPROVAL OF MORTGAGE LOAN

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- 2.3.2** If the purchaser fails to obtain a mortgage loan or receives a quotation from a bank for a lesser amount than required in clause 2.1, but he/she is in the financial position to supplement the deposit or to pay the full purchase price and wishes to proceed with the transaction, he/she must, before the fulfilment date:
- 2.3.2.1** accept the quotation from the bank and confirm, in writing to the transferring attorney, that a quotation for a lesser mortgage loan amount was accepted; and/or
 - 2.3.2.2** waive the condition in clause 2.1, in full or in part, by unilateral written notice to the transferring attorney. It will then be deemed that the suspensive condition is fulfilled. The purchaser must pay the balance between the initially required mortgage loan and the granted mortgage loan (or the full purchase price) to the transferring attorney on demand.

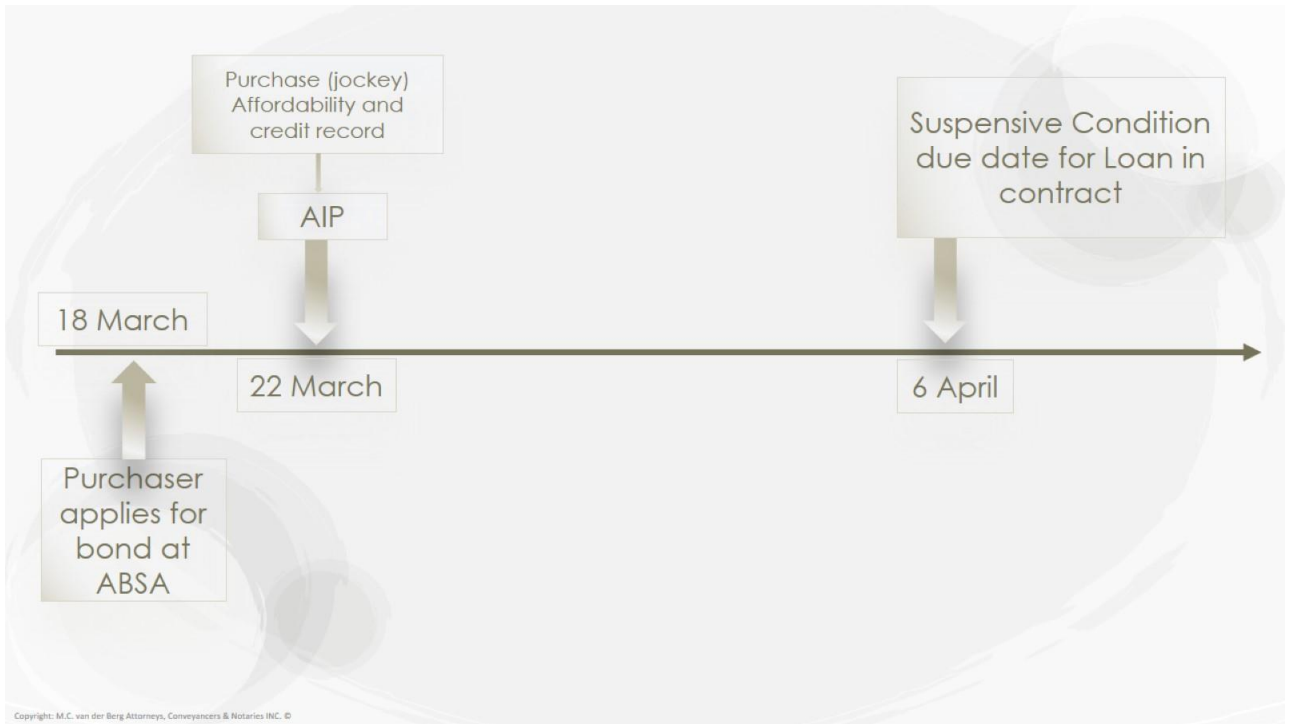
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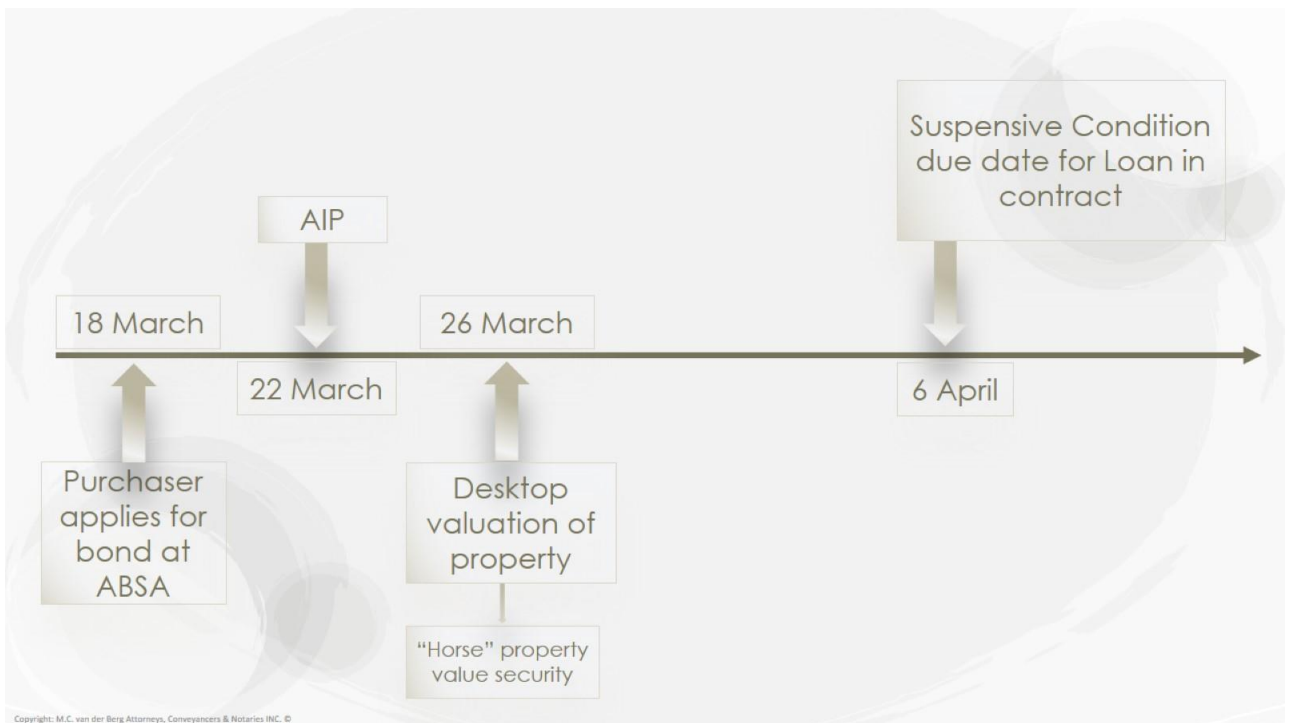


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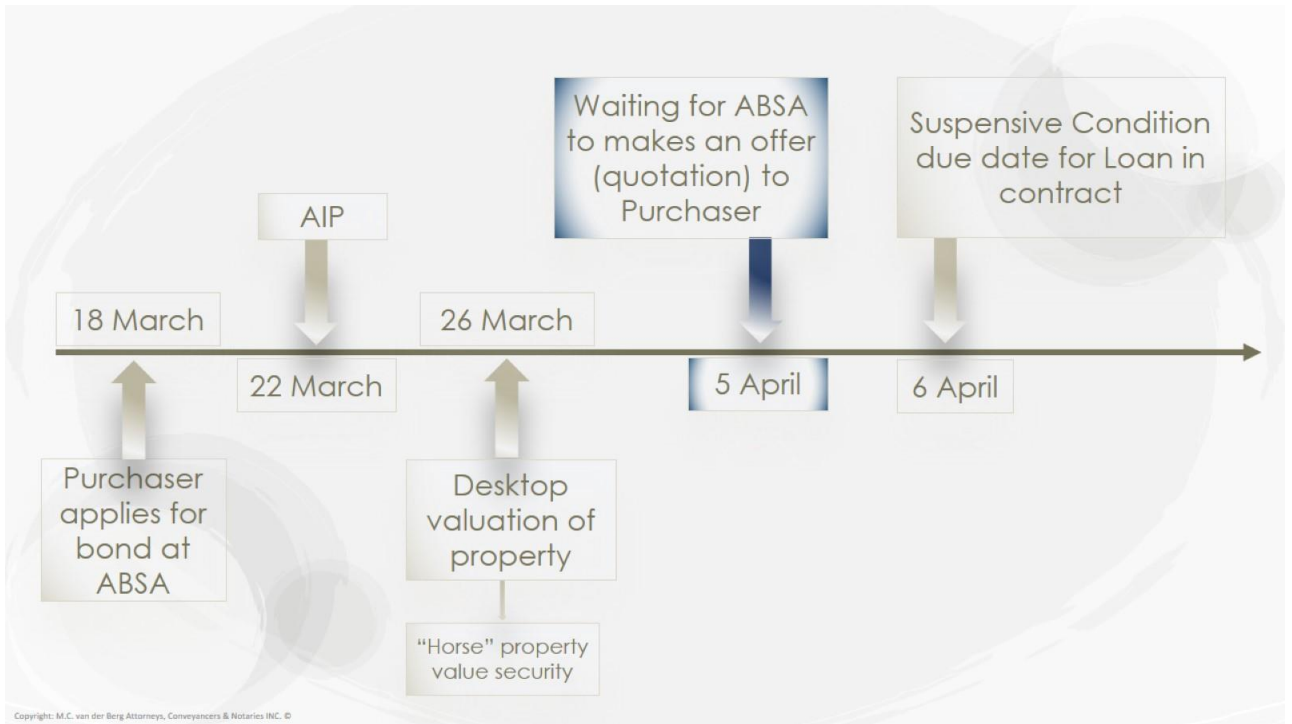
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Waiver of Protection of suspensive condition

- ▣ What if purchaser but does not obtain loan
- ▣ but wants to proceed with transaction
- ▣ e.g. R1 000 000 loan required
 - Only R 900 000 loan obtained or
 - No loan obtained
- ▣ But Purchaser can and wants to proceed?
- ▣ Can Purchaser waive protection in Suspensive condition?
- ▣ Question is how?
 - Bilateral?
 - Non-variation clause requires both parties to consent
 - Unilateral
 - Make provision in agreement

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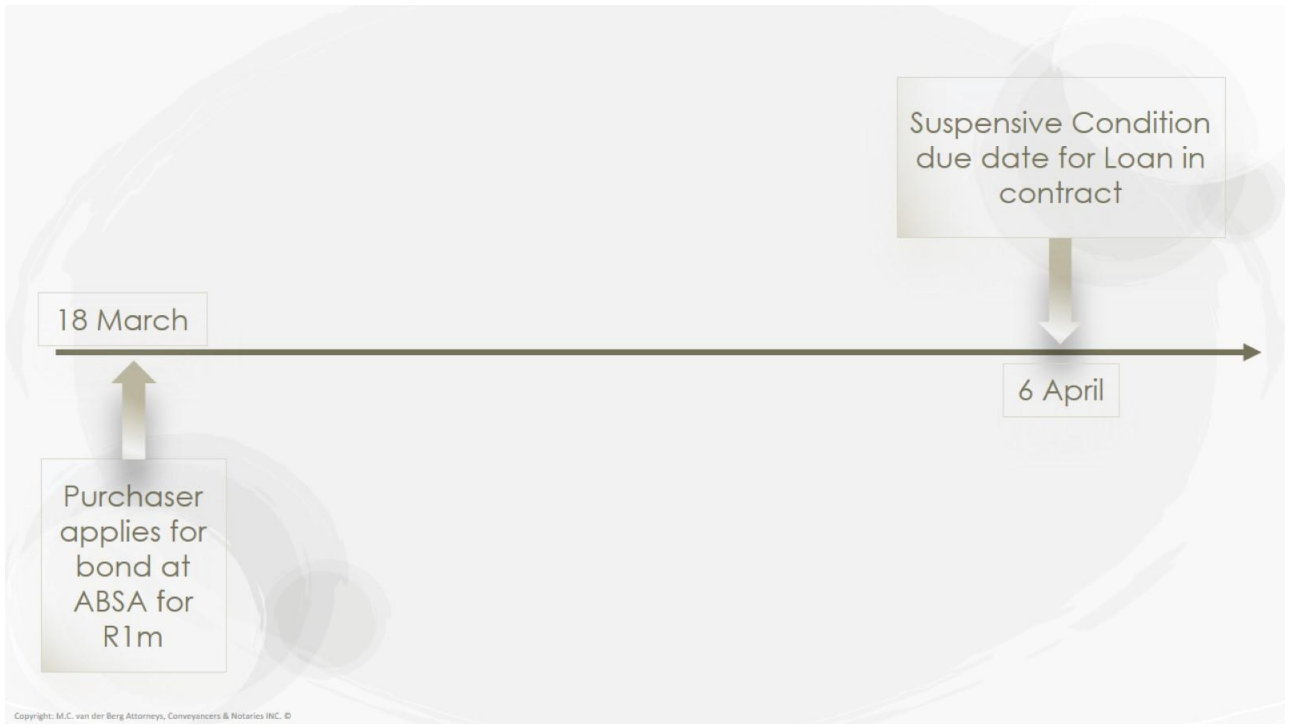
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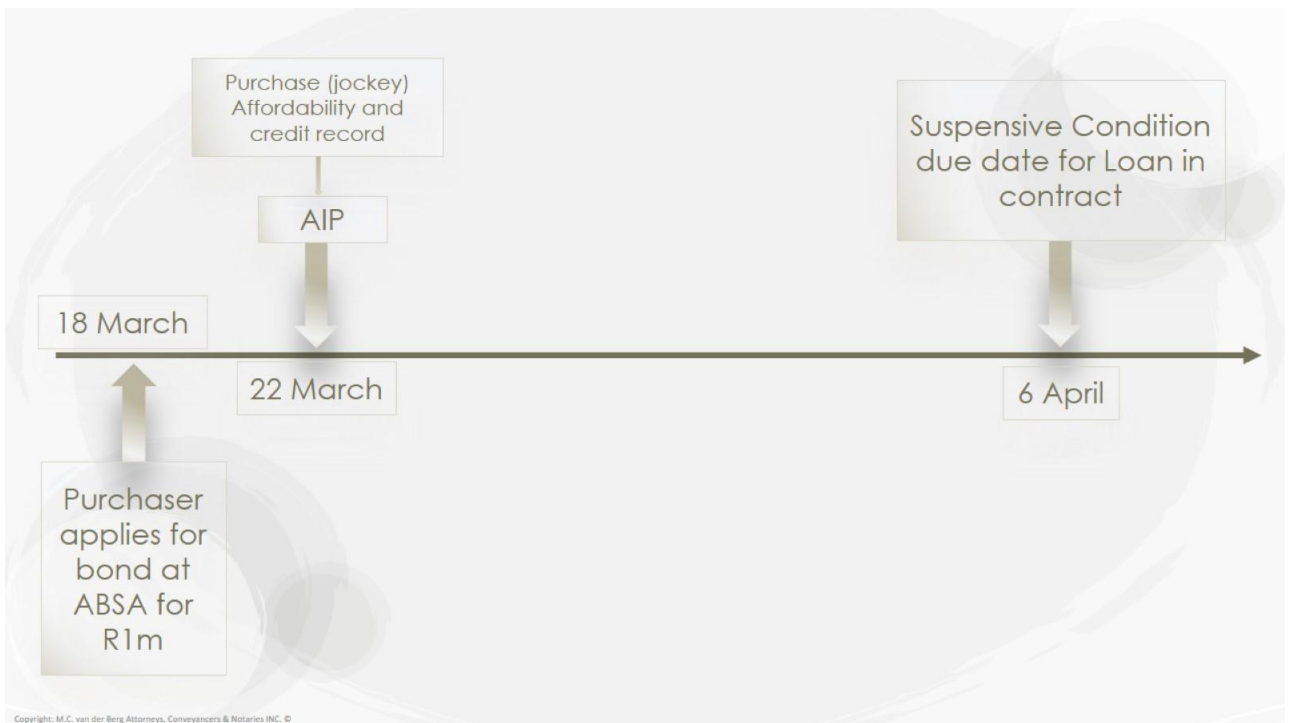
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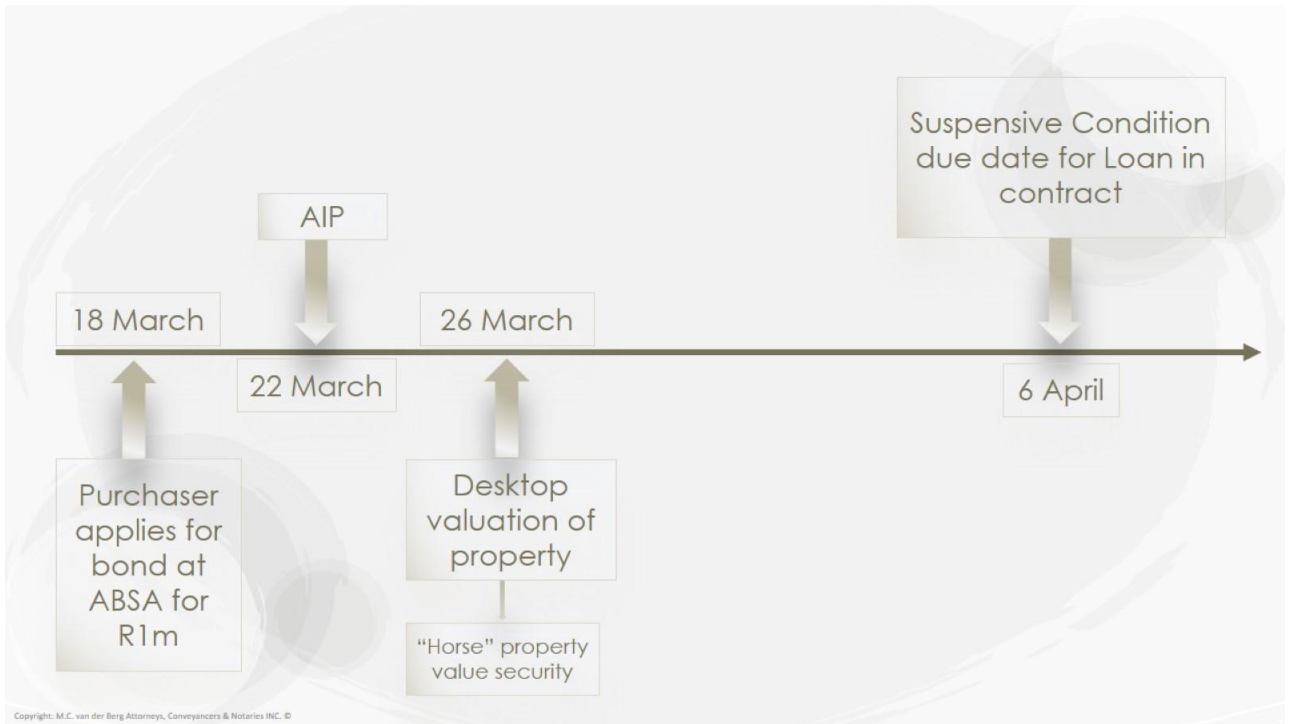
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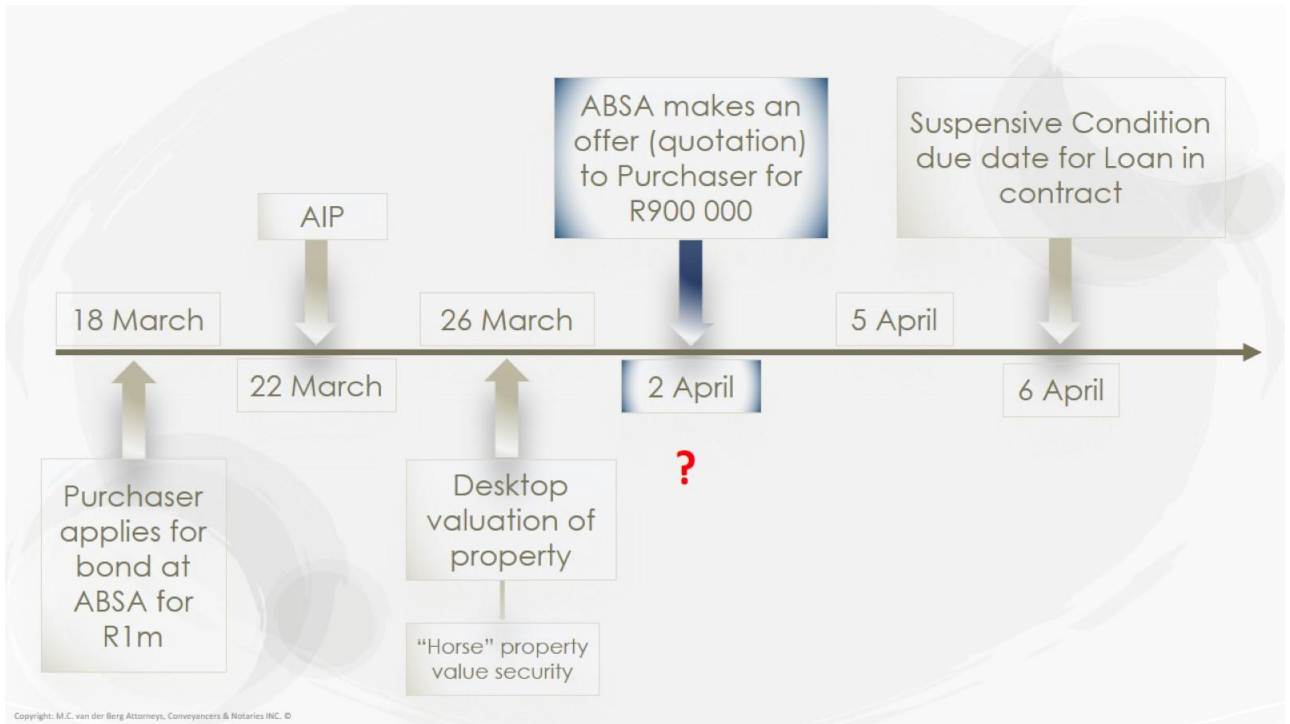
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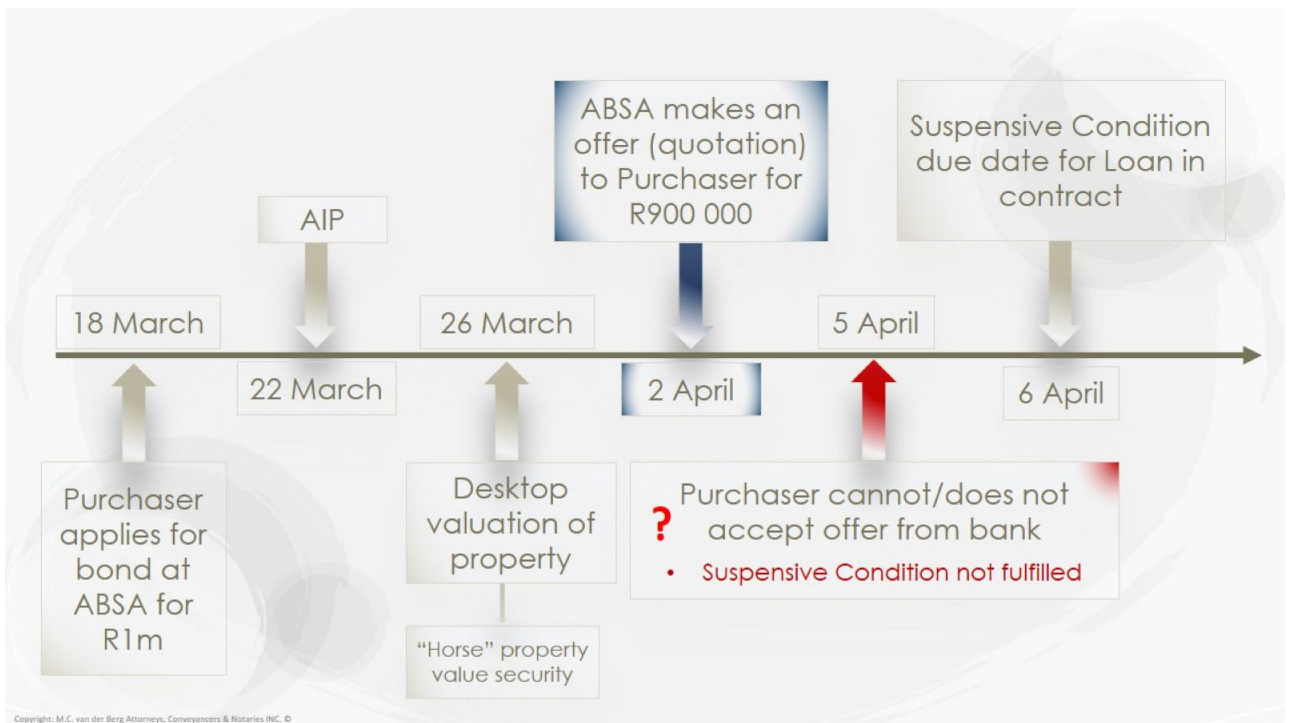
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Approval of Mortgage Loan

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2.3.2.3 The purchaser must pay the balance between the initially required mortgage loan and the granted mortgage loan (or the full purchase price) to the transferring attorney on demand

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Non-contractual conditions in Mortgage loan

- ▣ Sam Seller sells property to Pam Purchaser
- ▣ Subject to a mortgage loan R1 000 000 by 6 April 2020
- ▣ Contract contains **no terms** relating to:
 - Seller must provide **building plans**
 - Purchaser must first sell her property (**subject-to**)



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Non-contractual conditions in Mortgage loan

- ▣ Sam Seller sells property to Pam Purchaser
- ▣ Subject to a mortgage loan R1 000 000 by 6 April 2020
- ▣ Contract contains **no term** relating to
 - Seller must provide **building plans**
 - Purchaser must first sell her property (**subject - to**)
- ▣ Pam obtains mortgage loan R1 000 000 5 April
- ▣ Mortgage loan contains 2 pre-registration conditions
 - Seller must provide Building plans
 - Purchaser must first sell her property



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Non Contractual conditions in Mortgage loan

■ Question

- ➔ Did Pam Purchaser fulfil the suspensive condition?



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Non-contractual conditions in Mortgage loan

Questions

- Did Pam Purchaser fulfil the suspensive condition?
- If we say yes, it means the agreement became Perfecta and is now enforceable against Sam Seller
- But transaction can't register because of two pre-registration conditions
- Pam can't place Sam Seller on terms for breach if he doesn't want to comply
- Can't argue that conditions imposed by bank is enforceable on Sam Seller
- Answer is that mortgage loan has only been approved provisional



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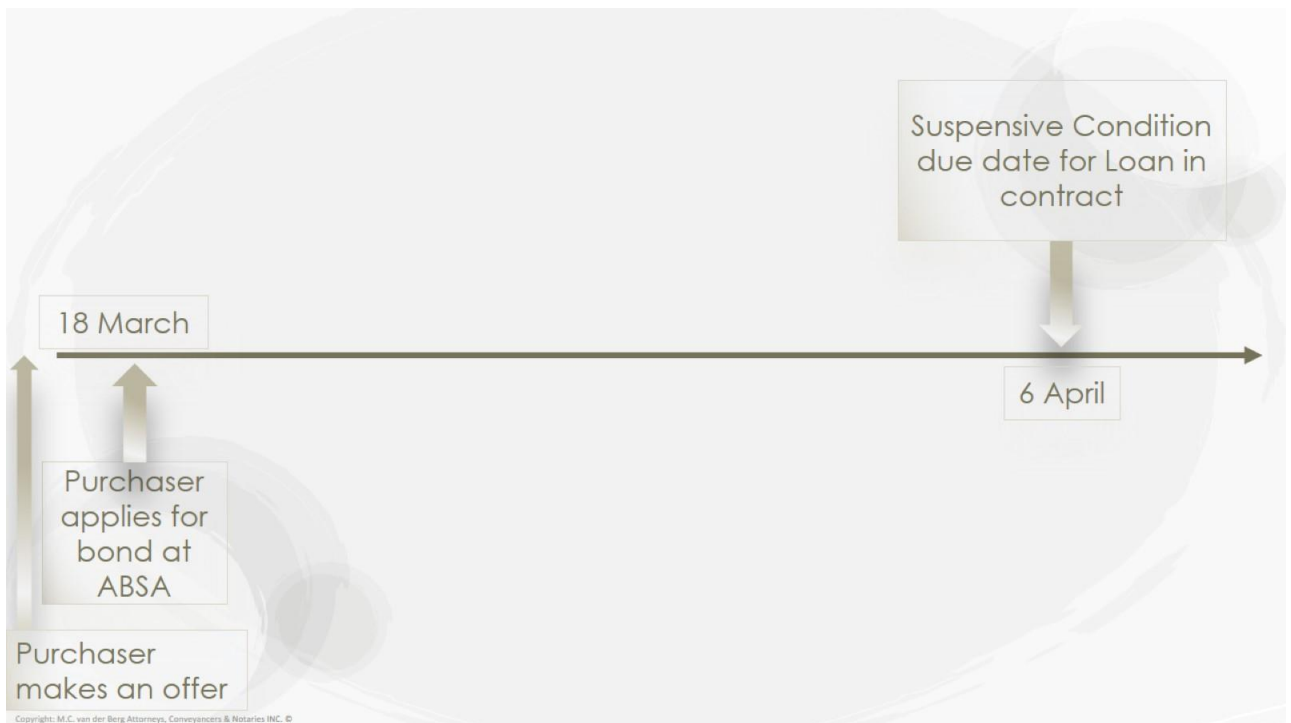
Non-contractual conditions in Mortgage loan

- ▣ Conveyancer needs to regulate the position properly
- ▣ Conveyancer must determine if Sam Seller is willing to incorporate 2 conditions into agreement
 - If not – Pam Purchaser did not fulfil suspensive condition
 - If Sam Seller is willing to incorporate the conditions
 - The terms must be negotiated; and
 - Conveyancer must incorporate it with an addendum

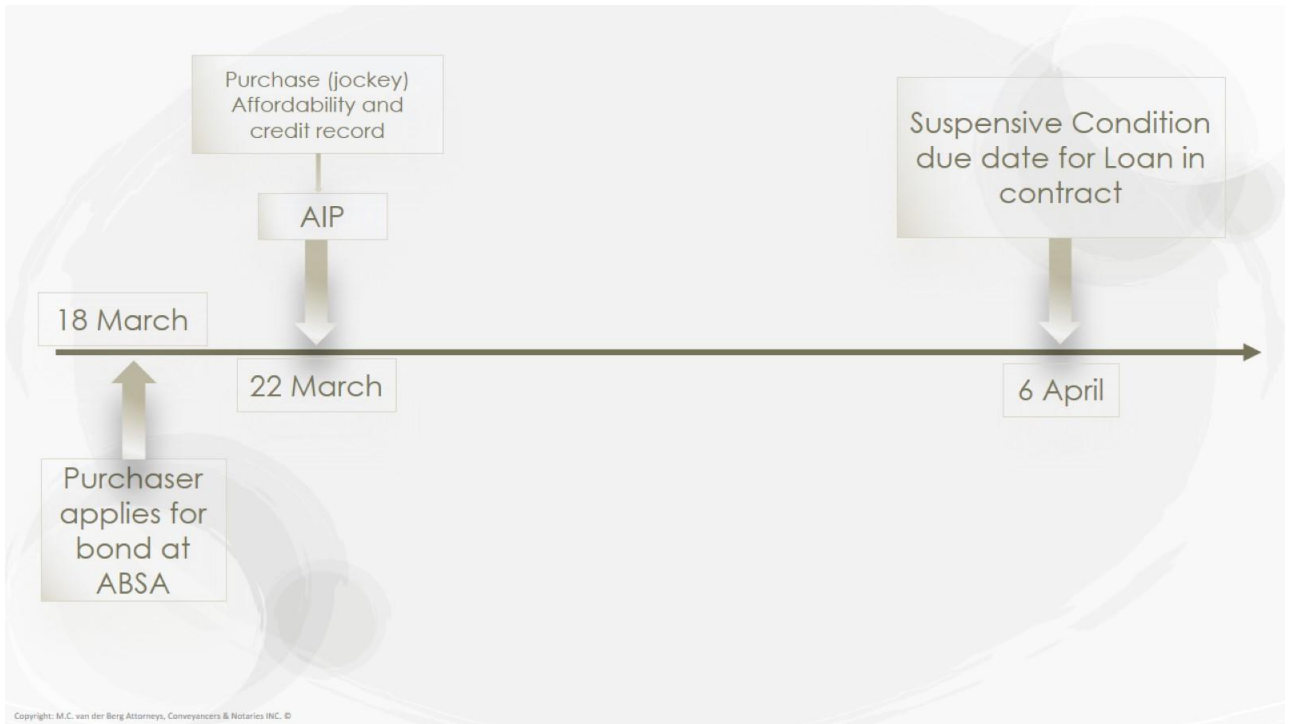


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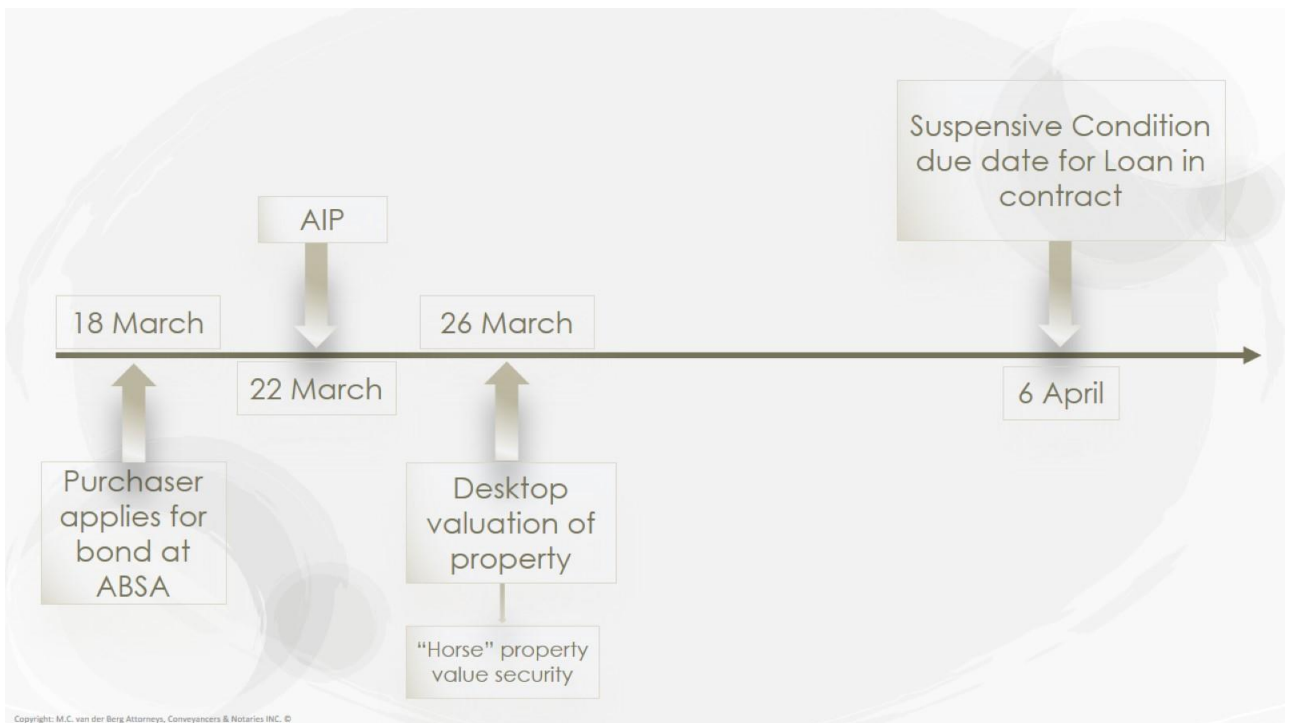
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Approval of Mortgage loan

2.4. If any condition in the purchaser's mortgage loan agreement places non-contractual or legally unenforceable obligation(s) on the seller, it will not be construed as usual terms and conditions as set out in clause 2.1.

Such condition renders the mortgage loan approval provisional. To ensure that the suspensive condition is fulfilled, the seller must reject or, in principle, accept the inclusion of such obligation(s) in this agreement, in writing, within 2 (two) days from the transferring attorney's written request.

2.4.1 If the seller rejects, or neglects to indicate that he/she accepts the conditions it is deemed that the provisional mortgage loan does not fulfil the suspensive condition in clause 2.1.

2.4.2 If the seller accepts these conditions in principle, the parties must, within a further 3 (three) days after acceptance thereof, agree on the terms of the incorporation thereof as set out in clause 17. 2. Failure to do so has the effect that the mortgage loan does not fulfil the suspensive condition in clause 2.1.

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