

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, APPELLATE DIVISION,
FIRST DEPARTMENT

Qiaoshang Intl. LLC v. Bryant Park Funding 100, LLC

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No. Index Nos. 651888/23, 153489/21; Appeal No. 6362; Case No. 2025-00647 · Decided April 14, 2026

SUMMARY

The Appellate Division, First Department, affirmed a judgment cancelling Bryant Park Funding 100, LLC's mortgage on two condominium units and granting plaintiffs summary judgment. The court held that plaintiffs had an interest in the units and that the mortgagee had actual or constructive notice of that interest, defeating bona fide encumbrancer status. The court also upheld specific performance against the development entities and rejected the mortgagee's request for additional discovery.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of the State of New York, Appellate Division, First Department
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Webber, J.P.; Gesmer, J.; Mendez, J.; Pitt-Burke, J.; Hagler, J.
JURISDICTION	New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department
DECIDED	April 14, 2026
DOCKET	Index Nos. 651888/23, 153489/21; Appeal No. 6362; Case No. 2025-00647
DISPOSITION	affirmed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Appeal from a judgment of Supreme Court, New York County, entered January 24, 2025, and review of orders entered on or about July 12, 2024, granting plaintiffs summary judgment.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	The Appellate Division reviewed the grant of summary judgment and Supreme Court's exercise of discretion under CPLR 3212(f) for whether plaintiffs established entitlement to judgment as a matter of law and whether BPF showed that additional discovery could affect the outcome.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	published
PARTIES	Bryant Park Funding 100, LLC v. Qiaoshang International LLC, Ying "Vivian" Ding

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether plaintiffs established an interest in the condominium units sufficient to defeat BPF's status as a bona fide encumbrancer when BPF took and recorded its mortgage.
2. Whether HFZ waived the contractual requirement that Qiaoshang deliver a conversion notice.
3. Whether specific performance could be ordered against HFZ-affiliated entities that indirectly controlled the direct owner of the units.
4. Whether Supreme Court properly granted summary judgment despite BPF's request for additional discovery under CPLR 3212(f).

HOLDINGS

1. Plaintiffs were entitled to summary judgment cancelling BPF's mortgage because they established an interest in the units, BPF knew which units Qiaoshang sought to acquire, and BPF had actual or constructive notice of that interest before taking and recording the mortgage.
2. HFZ waived the requirement that Qiaoshang deliver a conversion notice.
3. Specific performance was properly granted against HFZ because its control over the direct owner of the units gave it the power to effectuate specific performance.
4. Supreme Court properly granted summary judgment notwithstanding BPF's request for additional discovery.

KEY QUOTATIONS

*“BPF's actual or constructive notice meant that BPF was not a bona fide encumbrancer when it was granted and subsequently recorded its mortgage” (*2)*

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Qiaoshang entered into agreements with HFZ-affiliated entities to acquire two condominium units, 31A and 31B, by first obtaining membership interests that could be converted into unit ownership after approval of the condominium offering plan. Although the offering plan was approved on May 4, 2017, HFZ failed to send the required offering notice, and Qiaoshang therefore did not send a conversion notice. Despite that failure, HFZ and BPF's principal treated Qiaoshang as the units' owner for several years. HFZ later granted BPF a mortgage on the units on May 27, 2022, after BPF had actual or constructive notice of Qiaoshang's interest.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Plaintiffs moved for summary judgment against Bryant Park Funding 100, LLC and for specific performance against the HFZ defendants. Supreme Court granted the motion, ordered specific performance, and cancelled BPF's mortgage against the condominium units. The Appellate Division affirmed the judgment to the extent appealed from and awarded costs.

DISPOSITION

affirmed

CASES CITED

- Warwick St Partners LLC v Harris, 200 AD3d 586, 587 [1st Dept 2021], lv dismissed 38 NY3d 1168 [2022]
- Condor Funding, LLC v 176 Broadway Owners Corp., 147 AD3d 409, 411 [1st Dept 2017]
- 75 Christopher St. Corp. v Furman, 138 AD2d 323, 323-324 [1st Dept 1988]
- 2386 Creston Ave. Realty, LLC v M-P-M Mgt. Corp., 58 AD3d 158, 163 [1st Dept 2008], lv denied 11 NY3d 716 [2009]

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