CONCURRENT SESSION I: A

Reader's Digest of Lease Digests

Why Are Lease Digests Important, What Should They Include and How Can They Inform Lease Drafting?

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Key Terms: Lease Effective Date, Landlord, Tenant

[SHOPPING CENTER/TENANT] LEASE DIGEST		Tenant Preferred Provisions	Landlord Preferred Provisions
	Insert the date the Lease is signed by all parties	The date should be filled in and not left blank.	The date should be filled in and not left blank.
Landlord	Insert name and state of organization	Lease documents should include the correct legal name of current Landlord/owner and state of organization.	Lease documents should include the correct legal name of current Landlord/owner and state of organization.
Tenant	Insert name and state of organization	Lease documents should include the correct legal name of current Tenant and state of organization.	Lease documents should include the correct legal name of current Tenant and state of organization.

Key Terms: Guarantor, Security Deposit

[SHOP	PING CENTER/TENANT] LEASE DIGEST	Tenant Preferred Provisions	Landlord Preferred Provisions
Guarantor	Insert name, individual or organization, state of residence or organization Insert limit of liability or cap	Any limit or cap or release language should be clear and unambiguous.	* Guaranty should clearly identify Guarantor with contact information. * Guaranty should not terminate on any assignment of the Lease.
Security Deposit	Insert amount and form of deposit	Lease documents should reflect correct amount.	Irrevocable Letter of Credit (LOC) is preferred, and Lease Documents should include copy of the LOC.

Key Terms: Premises, Term, Rent

[SH	OPPING CENTER/TENANT]	Tenant Preferred	Landlord Preferred
	LEASE DIGEST	Provisions	Provisions
Premises	Insert space #, area, and premises address	Lease documents should correctly identify the Premises with site plan attached to the Lease.	Relocation clause is preferred for small shop tenants.
Term	Insert Rent Commencement Date, Term of Lease, Expiration Date Insert Renewal Term(s), if any, and exercise period	Should be confirmed in commencement date agreement or other written document.	Should be confirmed in commencement date agreement or other written document.
Rent	Insert Minimum Rent Insert Percentage Rent, if any	* Need increases and formulas to be clear.	* Audit right for Tenant's gross sales.
	Insert current CAM, and is it pro rata or fixed, and cap or fixed increase	* Tenant audit right if CAM is not fixed.	* Gross Sales reports even if no percentage rent.
	Insert current RET	* Limit on time LL can audit percentage rent and can bill for unpaid additional rent.	* Reset to actual costs on renewal if CAM is capped.
	Insert current LL Insurance Insert Other Charges	dipula additional Polit.	* Limit on time Tenant can audit or claim overpayment.

Key Terms: Permitted Use, Operating Covenant

[SHOP	PING CENTER/TENANT] LEASE DIGEST	Tenant Preferred Provisions	Landlord Preferred Provisions
Permitted Use	Insert Permitted Use and Exclusive and Prohibited Uses to which Tenant is subject	* Permitted Use should encompass actual use. * Lease should include warranties regarding exclusive and prohibited uses.	* Lease should include narrowly focused permitted use. * Permitted use must be subject to exclusive and prohibited uses.
Operating Covenant	Insert if full, limited or none Insert Minimum Hours Insert Excused Closures	Lease should include excused closures and no obligation to be open unlimited hours.	* Preferred that Tenant be open for such hours as Landlord designates to be the Center's hours from time to time.
	Insert Recapture terms if less than full operating covenant		* Stated penalties or remedies if Tenant fails to be open as required.

Key Terms: Exclusive Rights, Radius

•	ING CENTER/TENANT] LEASE DIGEST	Tenant Preferred Provisions	Landlord Preferred Provisions
Exclusive	Insert Tenant's Exclusive Rights, if any	* Lease should include liquidated damages.	* Lease must include rogue tenant exception.
	Insert Remedy	* Incidental exception should be defined by area or menu items, but NOT a percentage of gross sales.	* Exclusive should be narrowly focused with incidental exception. * Sunset clause strongly
		* Damages should not sunset if there is a rogue tenant exception.	preferred.
Radius	Insert Radius Area, if any	*Gross sales from competing store should be sole remedy.	* Radius defined in miles as the crow flies.
	Insert Remedy	* Violation limited to same permitted use and trade name.	
		*Exception for chain acquisition or sale.	

Key Terms: Casualty, Tenant Insurance

[SHOPP]	ING CENTER/TENANT]	Tenant Preferred	Landlord Preferred
]	LEASE DIGEST	Provisions	Provisions
Casualty	Insert LL and Tenant Termination	*Tenant retains insurance	* Landlord should have
	Rights	proceeds for items Tenant is	termination right based on cost
		required to repair.	to repair.
	Insert LL Restoration Obligations		
		*Mutual waiver of	* General format of casualty
	Insert Rent Abatement, if any	subrogation.	provisions should be the same
			across the Center.
		*Rent abatement if Tenant	
		reimburses Landlord for loss	
		of rent insurance.	
Tenant	1	Limits are market.	* Liquor liability insurance
Insurance	Umbrella and any other Insurance		should be included for
	requirements	*Ability to self-insure or	restaurants.
		avoid BI.	
			* The Lease should include
			ability to increase limits in
			accordance with the market.

Key Term: Assignment

_	ING CENTER/TENANT] LEASE DIGEST	Tenant Preferred Provisions	Landlord Preferred Provisions
Assignment	Is LL Consent Required? Is there a reasonableness standard? Insert Permitted Assignments without LL consent	*Reasonable Standard. *Sale transaction and equity investment must be permitted (language differs if Tenant is an SPE).	* The Lease should prohibit change in control if Tenant is single purpose entity (or tenant with very few locations).

Key Term: SNDA

[SHOPP	ING CENTER/TENANT]	Tenant Preferred	Landlord Preferred
	LEASE DIGEST	Provisions	Provisions
SNDA	Is there an existing Mortgage or Ground Lease?	*Identify fee ownership and any existing mortgage.	* The Lease should include automatic subordination for small shops.
	Is there an existing SNDA?	*Non-disturbance for ground lease.	* The Lease should require Tenant to execute SNDA.
		*SNDA is case by case.	* The Lease should include attornment regardless of subordination or SNDA.
			* The Lease should require Tenant to execute estoppel.

Key Terms: Co-Tenancy, Tenant Termination Rights

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LEASE DIGEST		Provisions	Provisions
Co-Tenancy	Is there Co-Tenancy provision?	*The Lease should include liquidated damages.	* The Lease should include sunset.
	Is there a current violation?		* The Lease should include replacement language for named tenants. * Co-tenancy violation should exclude temporary closures due to casualty, repairs, etc.
Tenant Termination Rights	Insert any Tenant termination rights	* Co-Tenancy * Breach of exclusive * Casualty * Eminent Domain	* Lease should include prohibition of termination by the Tenant except for expressly stated provisions.

Key Terms: Hazardous Materials, Landlord-Tenant Work

_	NG CENTER/TENANT]	Tenant Preferred	Landlord Preferred
	EASE DIGEST	Provisions	Provisions
Hazardous	Who is responsible for clean-up	Tenant should only be	* Depending on geographic
Materials	and indemnity and under what	responsible for Hazardous	location, Tenant should be
	circumstances, including the	Materials Tenant introduces.	responsible for any mold
	Midnight Dumper		during the Term.
			* Landlord should not
			indemnify for third party
			violator.
Landlord-	Was there LL Work or AS IS?	* Chargebacks should be	* Allowance should be for
Tenant Work		clearly identified.	leasehold improvements
	Was there an Allowance? Has it		only.
	been fully paid?	* There should be offset	
		right for allowance.	* The Lease should include
			drop dead date after which
		* The allowance should not	any unused allowance is
		be withheld for failure to	cancelled.
		deliver lien waivers if lien	
		period has expired and there	
		are no liens.	

Key Terms: REA, Other

[SHOPPIN	G CENTER/TENANT]	Tenant Preferred	Landlord Preferred
LF	EASE DIGEST	Provisions	Provisions
REA	Is there an REA?	The Lease should clearly	The Lease should be subject
		identify all REA requirements	to the REA and Tenant must
		and costs.	comply with REA.
OTHER		* The Lease should limit	* Landlord's liability should
		changes to the Center that	be limited to its interest in the
		materially adversely affect	Center.
		access or visibility, or increase	
		costs.	* The Lease should include
			state requirements (e.g., radon
			in Florida, California remedy
			provisions, execution
			requirement of the state).
			* Any restrictions on
			redevelopment or changes to
			the Center should be confined
			to limited identified area.