

GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1994

Company number 1511340



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DIRECTORS

E Appleby (Chairperson)  
The Hon M J Beloff  
D W Keene (Resigned 31 December 1994)  
G F P Caws  
D R P Mole

SECRETARY

D R P Mole

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AUDITORS

R Shah & Co  
Chartered Accountants  
1 East Passage  
London  
EC1A 7LP

GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1994

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The directors present their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 1994.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is to provide a management, secretarial, clerical, accounting and library service for the members of the chambers.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit after taxation for the year was £11,524 (1993: £42,367). The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The company's profitability deteriorated during the year due to an increase in costs.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The company is in the process of refurbishing the leasehold premises it occupies, and consequently its profitability will be reduced in the following year.

FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets amounting to £85,376 (1993:£51,453) were acquired during the year.

DIRECTORS

Each of the directors held 1 'A' ordinary share and 1 'B' non-voting ordinary share at 1 October 1993. Following the redesignation of the company's share capital on 18 March 1994 each director now holds 2 ordinary shares.

The directors named on page 1 served throughout the period.

TAXATION STATUS

The close company provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 do not apply to the company.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

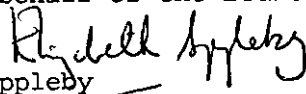
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AUDITORS

Messrs R Shah & Co have expressed their willingness to continue as auditors. In accordance with section 384 of the Companies Act 1985 a resolution proposing their re-appointment will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the Board

  
E Appleby

Director

2 October 1995

GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is in appropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the statement of the auditors' responsibilities set out in the auditors report.

AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

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We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 12 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 8.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 30 September 1994 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

*R Shah & Co*

R Shah & Co  
Chartered Accountants  
and Registered Auditor  
1 East Passage  
London  
EC1A 7LP

2 October 1995

GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1994

	Note	1994 £	1993 £
TURNOVER	2	903,959	838,460
Administrative expenses		898,746	786,453
Operating profit	3	5,213	52,007
Interest receivable		2,683	4,141
Interest payable	5	0	(374)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		7,896	55,774
Taxation	6	(3,628)	13,407
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		11,524	42,367
		=====	=====

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the year.

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.



GRAYS INN SQUARE CHAMBERS LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1994

	Notes	1994		1993	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7		262,251		189,890
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	141,955		73,100	
Cash at bank and in hand		79,685		109,409	
		<u>221,640</u>		<u>182,509</u>	
CREDITORS:					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	295,487		195,522	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES					
			(73,847)		(13,013)
NET ASSETS					
		<u>188,404</u>		<u>176,877</u>	
		=====		=====	
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called-up share capital	10		61		58
Reserves	11		188,343		176,819
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS	12		<u>188,404</u>		<u>176,877</u>
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Approved by the board on 2 October 1995

E Appleby

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) Director  
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*E. Appleby*

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with historical cost convention with assets carried in the balance sheet at or below the cost incurred at their dates of acquisition and without regard to their replacement cost.

**Fixed assets**

Fixed assets are stated at cost, less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Furniture, fixtures and equipment	20% of cost
Law library	2% of cost
Leasehold premises	over the period of lease

**Leased assets**

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements ('finance leases') the assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation in accordance with the company's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital payments outstanding. Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

**Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method on long term timing differences, except for those which are not expected to reverse in the future.

**Pension schemes**

Contributions in respect of the defined contriution scheme are charged against profits of the accounting period for which they are due.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents total fees receivable from the members of the chambers, net of Value Added tax.

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3. OPERATING PROFIT

	1994	1993
This is stated after charging:	£	£
Auditors remuneration	2,800	2,250
Operating lease costs	29,790	27,408
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	13,015	10,384
	=====	=====

No directors received any emoluments from the company during the year.

4. EMPLOYEES

The average number of persons employed in an administrative capacity during the year was 15 (1993: 15).

Staff costs:

Wages and salaries	227,003	184,730
Social security costs	43,713	39,132
Pension costs - defined contribution scheme	8,100	8,100
	<u>278,816</u>	<u>231,962</u>
	=====	=====

5. INTEREST PAYABLE

Other	374
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6. TAXATION

The charge is made up as follows:

Corporation tax @ 25%	(3,628)	7,560
Under provision of Corporation tax in previous years		5,847
	<u>(3,628)</u>	<u>13,407</u>
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold Premises	Furniture Fixtures Equipment	Law Library	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 October 1993		94,988	184,800	279,788
Disposals		(61,540)		(61,540)
Additions	38,260	16,293	30,823	85,376
At 30 September 1994	<u>38,260</u>	<u>49,741</u>	<u>215,623</u>	<u>303,624</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Depreciation				
At 1 October 1993		70,772	19,126	89,898
Disposals		(61,540)		(61,540)
Charge for the year		8,702	4,313	13,015
At 30 September 1994	<u>0</u>	<u>17,934</u>	<u>23,439</u>	<u>41,373</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Net Book Value				
At 30 September 1994	<u>38,260</u>	<u>31,807</u>	<u>192,184</u>	<u>262,251</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 30 September 1993	<u>0</u>	<u>24,216</u>	<u>165,674</u>	<u>189,890</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

8. DEBTORS

	1994	1993
	£	£
Trade debtors	70,848	65,147
Corporation tax	3,668	
Prepayments and accrued income	67,439	7,953
	<u>141,955</u>	<u>73,100</u>
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9. CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Bank overdraft	102,765	421
Trade creditors and accruals	16,369	15,073
Corporation tax		7,560
Other taxes & social security payments	38,384	34,499
Other creditors	137,969	137,969
	<u>295,487</u>	<u>195,522</u>
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10. CALLED-UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1994	1993
	£	£
Authorised		
"A" ordinary share of £1 each		50
"B" non-voting ordinary shares of £1 each		50
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	
	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
	=====	=====
Issued, allotted and fully paid		
"A" ordinary share of £1 each		17
"B" non-voting ordinary shares of £1 each		41
Ordinary shares of £1 each	61	
	<u>61</u>	<u>58</u>
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On 18th March 1994, the company's shareholders approved a special resolution altering the company share capital by combining the "A" and "B" ordinary shares and redesignating them as ordinary shares.

During the year three ordinary shares of £1 each were issued to new members of the chambers at par.

11. RESERVES

At 1 October 1993	176,819	134,452
Retained profit for the year	11,524	42,367
	<u>188,343</u>	<u>176,819</u>
	=====	=====

12. SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS

At 1 October 1993	176,877	134,508
Shares issued in the year	3	2
Retained profit for the year	11,524	42,367
	<u>188,404</u>	<u>176,877</u>
	=====	=====

13. OPERATING LEASE ANNUAL COMMITMENTS

Other leases which expire:		
Within one year	0	0
Between one and five years	62,895	61,669

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14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company has contracted to refurbish its leasehold premises at the year end, and expects to incur approximately £70,000 which has not been provided for in these financial statements.

There were no other contingent liabilities or capital commitments at the balance sheet date.