Company no. 2015688

LEGALESE LIMITED

ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1995

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## AUDITORS REPORT TO LEGALESE LIMITED

# (PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985)

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 6 together with the financial statements of Legalese Limited prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st March 1995.

# Respective responsibilities of director and auditors

The director is responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the director's statement on page 3 and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

#### Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

#### Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled under sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act in respect of the year ended 31st March 1995, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 6 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

## Other information

On 2156 Argust 1995 we reported, as auditors of Legalese Limited to the members on the full financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st March 1995 and our report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 12 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts.

#### Respective responsibilities of the director and auditors

As described in the director's report the company's director is responsible for the preparation of 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 a 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 director 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 accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company at 31st March 1995 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985."

Brebner Allen & Trapp Archer Allen & Trapp Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor 180 Wardour Street London W1V 4LB

21st Agrat 1995

#### BALANCE SHEET

31ST	MARCH	1995

	Notes		1995	1994
			£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	2		568,715	485,766
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stocks		112,170		85,917
Debtors due within one year		932,657		782,296
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>70,185</b>		78,101
		1,115,012		946,314
CREDITORS: Amounts falling				
due within one year		( <u>1,764,199</u> )		(1,417,434)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(649,187)	(471,120)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT				
LIABILITIES			(80,472)	14,646
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called-up equity share capital	3		100	100
Share premium account	•		975	975
Profit and loss account			<u>(81,547</u> )	13,571
			(80,472)	14,646

## Statement by the director

In preparing these financial statements, I rely on sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 as entitling me to deliver abbreviated financial statements and I do so on the grounds that this company is entitled to the benefit of those sections as a small company.

Approved by the board on: 25th July 1995

John Michae/ Reitchard - Director

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT 31ST MARCH 1995

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### (1.1) Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### (1.2) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual values, of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives to the business. The annual depreciation rates and methods are as follows:

Freehold property

- 2% per annum

Fixtures, Fittings and

Computers

- 25%-33.3% per annum

## (1.3) Work in Progress

Work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost consists of direct materials, labour and attributable overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price, less any further costs of realisation.

## (1.4) Deferred taxation

Provisions are made so that the deferred taxation account represents corporation tax, calculated on the liability method, in respect of the excess of tax allowances given for fixed assets over the depreciation provided.

#### (1.5) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange current at the dates of the transactions or at the contracted rate if the transaction is covered by a forward exchange contract.

Assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the balance sheet date at the exchange rate ruling on that day or if appropriate at the forward contract rate. Resulting exchange gains and losses are taken to the profit and loss account.

## (1.6) Payments on account.

Advertising and subscription revenue received in advance of publication is carried forward to the period in which publication is made.

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#### (1.7) Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held seperately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

#### (1.8) Assets leased

Where the company enters into operating and/or finance leases, its policy is to regard leases as finance leases where their term give rights approximating to ownership.

Assets held under finance leases (including hire purchase contracts) are capitalised at the fair value of the asset at the inception of the lease, with an equivalent liability categorised as appropriate under creditors due within and after one year. Assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful economic life; in the case of assets held under hire purchase agreements they are depreciated over their useful economic life. Finance charges are allocated to accounting years over the life of each lease to produce a constant rate of charge on the outstanding balance.

Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### 2 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

COST At 1st April 1994 Additions at cost At 31st March 1995	Freehold property £ 444,213 85,999 530,212	Fixtures, Fittings and Computers £ 176,583 57,251 233,834	Total £ 620,796 143,250 764,046
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st April 1994	17,001	118,030	135,031
Charge for the year	10,606	49,694	60,300
At 31st March 1995	27,607	167,724	195,331
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st March 1995	502,605	66,110	<u>568,715</u>
At 31st March 1994	427,212	-	<u>485,766</u>

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3	SHARE CAPITAL Equity interests:	Number	Value	Number	Value
	Authorised:	1995	1995 £	1994	1994 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	100	<u>100</u>
	Issued and fully paid: Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	100	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

#### 4 FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Under an agreement with American Lawyer Media L.P., Legalese Limited has accepted an obligation to supply Legal Business magazines to certain people who have subscribed for the 'European Dealmaker' Magazine.

#### 5 DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

J.M. Pritchard is a shareholder and the sole director of Legalease Europe Limited. The company has been granted licences by Legalease Europe Limited to produce Law Firms in Europe and to market and develop LINK.

During the year the company incurred £24,000 (1994: £76,000) in respect of services rendered for J. Pritchards writer's fees.

The company rents its premises from M. Pritchard (wife of director). The rent paid during the year is £75,000.

During the year the company paid M. Pritchard (wife of director) £65,000 (1994: Nil) in respect of services rendered for writer's fees.

## 6 ACCOUNTS APPROVAL

The accounts set out on pages 3 to 6 were approved by the directors on 25th July 1995.