# **Liquidator's Progress** Report

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Pursuant to Sections 92A and 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

02897056

Name of Company

**London Action Trust** 

Nicholas Charles Simmonds 34 Clarendon Road Watford **WD17 1JJ** 

Richard Patrick Brewer 8th Floor 25 Farringdon Street London EC4A 4AB

the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of my/our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

The Progress Report covers the period from 09/05/2013 to 08/05/2014

Signed

Baker Tilly Bushness Services Limited

34 Clarendon Road

Watford

**WD17 1JJ** 

Ref 5528628/NCS/RPB/JJ/UP/DJP

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# London Action Trust (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments

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(175,439 56)	HM Revenue & Customs - VAT & PAY	NIL	NIL
(30,000 00)	Landlord's Dilapadition & Arrears Clai	NIL	NIL
(82,623 50)	Employees Unsecured Claim	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
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(286,534.73)		19,548.59	19,548.59
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Vat Receivable		1,059 72
	Interest Bearing Current Account		18,488 87
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Nicholas Charles Simmonds Joint Liquidator

19,548.59

Joint Liquidators' First Annual Progress Report for the period between 9 May 2013 and 8 May 2014 to Registrar of Companies and All known members and creditors

London Action Trust
(In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

# LONDON ACTION TRUST ("THE COMPANY") - IN CREDITORS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION

#### JOINT LIQUIDATORS' FIRST PROGRESS REPORT AS AT 8 MAY 2014

Nicholas Charles Simmonds and Colin David Wilson were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company following the conclusion of the prior administration on 9 May 2013. An application was made to the Court pursuant to section 108(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986 to substitute Colin David Wilson for Garry Lock of RSM Tenon (now Baker Tilly Business Services Limited) as Joint Liquidator, and the Court made an order on 17 July 2013 confirming Garry Lock's appointment as Joint Liquidator of the Company

Subsequently another application was made to the Court pursuant to section 108(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986 to substitute Gary Lock for Richard Patrick Brewer of Baker Tilly Business Services Limited as Joint Liquidator, and the Court made an order on 16 May 2014 confirming Garry Lock's appointment as Joint Liquidator of the Company

The report covers in summary the whole period of the liquidation from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2014

# 1. Statutory Information

1 1 The Statutory information relating to the Company is attached at Appendix I

### 2. Joint Liquidators' Receipts and Payments Account

A summary of the Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account relating to the Company for the relevant period from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2014 and cumulatively (from commencement of liquidation on 9 May 2013 to 2 July 2014) is attached at **Appendix II** with a comparison to the Director's Statement of Affairs values

### 3. Action taken by the Joint Liquidators since Appointment

Surplus from Administration

A payment of £24,241 36 has been received from the former administrators soon after the Company placed into liquidation

Rates Refund

A refund of £543 94 has been received from London Borough of Lambeth upon successful lodgement of the claim

Gross Interest

3.3 Interest of £61.89 has been received on funds held in the bank account

#### 4 Investigations

The Joint Liquidators' have a statutory duty to submit confidential reports under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986 on the conduct of those persons who acted as directors of the Company in the three year period before the liquidation and the appropriate report has been submitted to the relevant authority

#### 5. Creditors, Liabilities and Dividends

Secured Creditors

There were no secured creditors However, the Company granted a charge to Leonard Serlin, the landlord of the Company's trading premises on 10 July 2003 in relation to the rent deposit. The deposit of £6,167 was offset against the outstanding rent of the Company. I have received a formal claim of £30,000 in the liquidation regarding the dilapidations of the property.

**Preferential Creditors** 

Payments of £24,229 97 have been paid out of the administration to preferential creditors. However, I have received further information from Redundancy Payments Office which resulted into additional preferential claims of £5,553 86

I declared a first and final dividend distribution of 100 pence in the pound to all proving preferential creditors on 2 July 2014 The total amount distributed in respect of this preferential dividend is £5,553 86

Floating Charge Creditors

There were no floating charge creditors Accordingly, the amount paid to creditors by virtue of this section is Nil

#### **Unsecured Creditors**

- I received claims totalling £327,571 96 from 28 creditors including claims from HM Revenue & Customs (VAT & PAYE/NIC) for £175,439 56, Redundancy Payments Office for £82,623 50 and the landlord claim for £30,000
- 6 Joint Liquidators' Remuneration, Disbursements and Expenses

Pre-appointment Costs

A fixed Statement of Affairs fee was agreed for assisting the director with placing the Company into inquidation, of £6,500 plus disbursements and VAT I have drawn this amount from the asset realisations of the Company

Basis of Joint Liquidators' Remuneration and Disbursements

The preferential creditors resolved that the Joint Administrators be remunerated with reference to time properly spent in dealing with the administration and that their disbursements would be drawn in accordance with the tariff outlined in **Appendix III** As the Joint Liquidators were formerly the Joint Administrators the same basis of remuneration applies to them in their new capacity as Liquidators

Remuneration Charged and Drawn in the Period
The Joint Liquidators' time costs have been incurred as follows

	Incurred (£)	Paid (£)
Period from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2014	11,617 00	5,120 00
Total	11,617.00	5,120.00

- Since the commencement of the liquidation, a total of 50 hours have been spent by the Joint Liquidators' and their staff in administering the case, at a time cost of £11,617 which equates to an average hourly charge-out rate of £232 34. I have drawn £29,675 towards my time costs and the nominal balance will be drawn in due course. I propose part of my time costs to be written off to enable maximum dividend distribution to unsecured creditors in liquidation.
- In accordance with the provisions of SIP 9 I enclose as **Appendix III**, a Time & Cost Summary, which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade to date
- Attached as **Appendix III** is additional information in relation to our policy on staffing, the use of subcontractors, disbursements and details of our current charge-out rates by staff grade

Disbursements Incurred and Drawn in the Period

The Joint Liquidators' disbursements incurred and reimbursed are summarised below. Details are in the attached **Appendix III** 

	Incurred (£)	Paid (£)
Category 1 disbursements for this period, from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2014	180 69	178 60
Category 2 disbursements for this period, from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2014	Nıl	Nil
Total	180.69	178.60

# 7 Creditors' Guide to Fees and Statement of Creditors' Rights

- Creditors have a right to request further information from the Liquidators and additionally have a right to challenge the Liquidators' remuneration and expenses time limits apply. Details can be found in the document 'A Creditor's Guide to Liquidators' Fees' which can be accessed at the website of the Insolvency Practitioners' Association (<a href="www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk">www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk</a> > Regulation and Guidance" > Creditors Guides to Fees), or the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (<a href="www.insolvency.org.uk">www.insolvency.org.uk</a> > Technical Resources > Insolvency > Creditors' Guides). Alternatively a copy is available free of charge upon request from the address above.
- 7 2 I hope this report sufficiently updates you on the current position of the Liquidation. However, should you require any further clarification please contact Umang Patel of my office.

Yours faithfully

N'C Simmonds

Baker Yilly Business Services Limited

Joint Liquidator

Licensed to act in the United Kingdom as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Insolvency Practitioners Association

Please note that RSM Tenon Limited (which has changed its name to Baker Tilly Business Services Limited) has been acquired by Baker Tilly UK Holdings Ltd and all future communications will be conducted under the Baker Tilly name

# **Statutory Information**

# **Company Information**

Company name

**London Action Trust** 

Previous name

N/A

Company number

02897056

Date of incorporation

11 February 1994

Current registered office

C/o Baker Tilly Business Services Ltd, 34 Clarendon Road, Watford WD17 1JJ

Former Trading address

88 Clapham Road, London SW9 0JR

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Principal trading activity

**Education and Training Providers** 

Directors

The directors of the Company over the last 3 years prior to liquidation are detailed

below

	Appointed	Resigned
Fitzroy Alphanso Andrew	30/11/2009	N/A
Angela Felicity Camber	27/06/2006	N/A
James Gill	24/11/2008	N/A
Nick Griffin	24/11/2008	N/A
Rani King	27/04/2004	N/A
Steven John Norris	13/11/1997	N/A
Margaret O Neill	16/03/1994	N/A
Martin Thorneycroft	16/03/1994	N/A
John Trainor	19/09/2005	N/A

Company Secretary

John Trainor

19/09/2005

N/A

Debenture Holders

Rent deposit deed provided to Leonard Serlin on 22/07/2006 in the amount of

£6,167

# Appointment details

Joint Liquidators' name and address

Nicholas Charles Simmonds

IP Number 9570

of Baker Tilly Business Services Limited 34 Clarendon Road

Watford WD17 1JJ

Richard Patrick Brewer

IP Number 9038

of Baker Tilly Business Services Limited

8th Floor

25 Farringdon Street London EC4A 4AB

Commencement of liquidation

27 October 2011

Date of appointment

23 March 2012

Appointment made by

Members and Creditors

The Joint Liquidators act jointly and severally

London Action Trust ("the Company") (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

# **APPENDIX II**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

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# **APPENDIX III**

INFORMATION RELATING TO JOINT LIQUIDATORS' FEES AND EXPENSES

# Information relating to the Joint Liquidators' Fees and Expenses

# 1. Explanation of Liquidators' charging and disbursement recovery policies

#### 1.1 Time recording

Work undertaken on cases is recorded in 6 minute units in an electronic time recording system. Time properly incurred on cases is charged at the hourly rate of the grade of staff undertaking the work that applies at the time the work is done. The current hourly charge-out rates are

Time properly incurred on cases is charged to the assignment at the hourly rate prevailing at the time. The current hourly charge out rates are outlined below

	Rate since 1 January 2009 £	Rate from 1 January 2012 £
Director and licensed Insolvency Practitioners	380 to 475	395 to 495
Associate Director	380 to 380	350 to 380
Senior Manager	335 to 335	295 to 350
Manager	250 to 335	235 to 350
Other Senior Staff	150 to 230	195 to 240
Assistant and Support Staff	100 to 195	130 to 195

#### 1.2 Disbursement recovery

Disbursements are categorised as either Category 1 or Category 2

Category 1 disbursements will generally comprise external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case. Where these have initially been paid by Baker Tilly Business Services Limited and then recharged to the case, approval from creditors is not required. The amount recharged is the exact amount incurred.

Examples of Category 1 disbursements include postage, case advertising, specific bond insurance, company search fees, invoiced travel and properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case, (including business mileage up to HMRC approved rate for cases commenced before 1 November 2011) Also included will be services specific to the case where these cannot practically be provided internally such as printing, room hire and document storage

Category 2 disbursements include elements of shared or allocated costs incurred by Baker Tilly Business Services Limited and recharged to the estate, they are not attributed to the estate by a third party invoice and/or they may include a profit element. These disbursements are recoverable in full, subject to the basis of the disbursement charge being approved by creditors in advance. Examples of Category 2 disbursements are photocopying, all business mileage (for cases commencing on or after 1 November 2011), internal room hire and internal storage.

The current levels of Category 2 disbursements recovered by Baker Tilly Business Services Limited are as follows

	£
Room hire	At cost
Envelope	4 2p
Paper (photocopies per sheet)	7p
Postage (depending on size and weight)	At cost
Storage	At cost
Travel (per mile)	40p

The costs recharged are based upon the actual cost of the materials used or the costs which would have been incurred if that service had been sourced externally

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# 2. Description of work carried out in the current period

Section 3 of this Appendix outlines the time costs to date in relation to activities undertaken during this period. These can be summarised as follows

# 2.1. Administration and planning

The following activities have been undertaken

- Statutory duties associated with the appointment including the filing of relevant notices,
- > Notification of the appointment to creditors, members, employees and other interested parties,
- > Setting up case files,
- Reviewing available information to determine appropriate strategy,
- > Setting up and maintaining bank accounts,
- > 6 monthly progress review of the case

Staffs of different levels were involved in the above activities depending upon the experience required

# 22 Investigations

The time spent comprises

- > Corresponding with the former directors and management,
- > Review of questionnaires and comments provided by interested parties,
- > Review of company documentation, and
- > Completion of statutory returns to the Department of Trade and Industry

# 2.3 Realisation of assets

The time spent includes the following matters,

- > Liaising with Director in relation to assets,
- > Liaising with factoring company, agents, solicitors and debt collectors,

# 2.4 Tax

The time spent includes the following matters,

- > completing and submitting VAT returns,
- > completing and submitting corporation tax returns

#### 2.5 Filing

Time spent in respect of filing documents and maintaining the case files

# 2.6 Correspondence

The time spent includes the following matters,

> Ongoing correspondence with creditors and directors

#### 2.7 Review

The time spent includes the following matters,

- Listing outstanding case progression matters,
- > Reviewing case files

#### 2.8 Creditors

The time spent includes the following matters

- > Recording and maintaining the list of creditors,
- > Dealing with employee related matters,
- > Recording creditor claims,
- > Reporting to creditors,
- > Meetings of creditors,
- > Dealing with creditor queries,
- > Reviewing and evaluating creditor claims,

# 2.9 Cashiering

The time spent includes the following matters,

- > Posting journals,
- > Maintenance of the Administration bank account,
- Maintaining cashiering file,

# 3. Time and charge out summary

Post Appointment time and charge out summary is attached

#### 4 Disbursements

Disbursements incurred during the period of this report and cumulatively, and those reimbursed in the period and cumulatively, to end of current period, are detailed below

Dishusassas	9 May 2013 to 8	
Disbursements	Incurred£	Paid £
Category 1	<del>-</del> ·	<del>-</del> -
Statutory advertising	84 60	84 60
Office Holders' Bordereau	10 00	10 00
External Storage	86 0 <del>9</del>	84 00
Total	180 69	178.60
Category 2 Photo-copying Re Report to	Nil	Nil
Creditors	1411	1411
Travel Costs	Nil	Nil
Total	Nil	Nil

The above costs exclude VAT

Restructuring & Recovery SIP9 Summary Level 2

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For the period 20/07/2013 to 09/05/2014

Period	Hours Spent	Partners	Directors /	Managers	Assistanti	Assistanti Administrators	Assistants &	Total	Total	Average
			Associate;	-	Managers!	**	Support Staff	Hours	Time Costs	Rates
			Directors	     						
From	Administration and Planning									
Jan 2003	Case Management	0 0	0 0	1.5	0 0	5.5	10	8 0	£ 1,775 00	221 88
	Receipts and Payments	00	00	0 2	0 0	0.4	00	90	£ 131 00	218 33
	Total	0 0	0 0	17	0 0	5.9	10	9 8	£ 1,906 00	221 63
	Investigations									
	Investigations/CDDA	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	3.0	0 0	3.0	£ 705 00	235 00
	Total	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	3.0	0 0	3.0	£ 705 00	235 00
	Creditors									
	Employees	0 0	0 0	94	09	0.7	00	16 1	£ 3,765 50	233 88
	Preferential Creditors	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1.0	0 0	1 0	£ 235 00	235 00
	Unsecured Creditors	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	213	0 0	21 3	£ 5,005 50	235 00
	Total	0 0	00	9.4	0.9	23 0	0 0	38 4	00 900'6 3	234 53
	Total Hours (From Jan 2003)	0.0	0 0	111	0 9	319	10	20 0	£ 11,617 00	232 34
	Total Time Cost (From Jan 2003)	00 0 3	00 0 3	£ 2,941 50	£ 1,110 00	£ 7,480 50	£ 85 00	£ 11,617 00		
Total Hours		0 0	0 0	111	0 9	319	1 0	20 0	£ 11,617 00	232 34
Total Time Cost		£ 0 00	£ 0 00	£ 2,941 50	£ 1,110 00	£ 7,480 50	£ 85 00	£ 11,617 00		
Average Rates		00 0	00 0	265 00	185 00	234 50	85 00	232 34		