

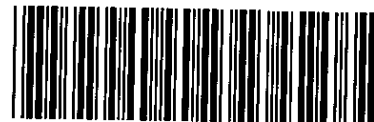
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Full forename(s) James Ashley

Surname Dowers

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ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

Zuko Legal Limited – In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

Company No: 04968677

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I, James Dowers, of CVR Global LLP, was appointed liquidator of Zuko Legal Limited (“the Company”) on 28 March 2014. This report provides an update on the progress of the liquidation for the period 28 March 2018 to 27 March 2019 (“the Review Period”).

A summary of key information in this report is detailed below.

1.1 Assets

Asset	Estimated to realise per Statement of Affairs (£)	Realisations to date (£)	Anticipated future realisations (£)	Total anticipated realisations (£)
Bank Interest Gross	-	9	Uncertain	9
Settlement Money	-	42,667	4,333	47,000
Potential Claims	-	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
Cash	6,000	Nil*	Nil*	Nil*
Total	6,000	42,676	4,333	47,009

* The cash at bank listed on the statement of affairs was realised during the Company’s earlier liquidation and utilised to meet the expenses of the former liquidator.

1.2 Expenses

Expense	Amount per fees and expenses estimates (£)	Expense incurred to date (£)	Anticipated further expense to closure (£)	Total anticipated expense (£)
Liquidator’s Fees	-	53,662	8,338	62,000
Liquidator’s Disb. (Cat.1)	-	219	Nil	219
Liquidator’s Disb. (Cat.2)	-	154	50	204
Legal Fees	-	66,332	Nil	66,332
Legal Disbursements	-	10,609	Nil	10,431
Total	-	130,976	8,388	139,364

1.3 Dividend prospects

Creditor class	Distribution / dividend paid to date (£)	Anticipated distribution / dividend, based upon the above (£)
Secured creditor	-	-
Preferential creditors	-	-
Unsecured creditors	-	Uncertain

1.4 Summary of key issues outstanding

- Collection of remaining settlement monies.

1.5 Closure

It is anticipated that the liquidation will be concluded within the next 6 – 12 months.

2. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Statutory information

Statutory information may be found at Appendix 1.

As liquidator I am required to meet a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks do not have a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they assist in the efficient and compliant progressing of the administration of the case, which ensures that work is carried out to high professional standards. A detailed list of these tasks may be found in the attached appendices.

3. ENQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

Creditors will recall from my previous report that since appointment I have carried out extensive investigations into the events that precipitated the insolvency of the Company in conjunction with bringing potential claims against the Company's directors in connection with their involvement in these matters.

As a result of these investigations and subsequent legal proceedings, settlement terms were agreed with one of the Company's directors during the previous reporting period (please see below).

During the Review Period negotiations continued with the Company's other director, Mr Ashraf. However, given his net asset position, and based upon the advice of our solicitors, it was determined not to be commercially beneficial to the estate to continue pursuing him in respect of our potential claims against him. Accordingly, no further action will be taken in this regard.

4. REALISATION OF ASSETS

4.1 Settlement with Mr Goodman

As noted above, settlement negotiations were concluded with Mr Goodman during the previous reporting period whereby I accepted an offer of £45,000 in full and final settlement of all my claims against him and an associated company. This sum has been paid in full, the final instalment being paid shortly after the period covered by this report.

Prior to my acceptance of the offer, certain information was provided to me by Mr Goodman's solicitors in relation to his personal net worth, which, together with my own investigations into the matter, confirmed that the £45,000 settlement offer was the maximum Mr Goodman could afford to pay. The alternative to accepting this offer would have been to petition for Mr Goodman's bankruptcy, however, it is likely this would have ultimately resulted in fewer net realisations for the liquidation estate.

4.2 Contribution from Ayyaz Ashraf

As noted above, it was not deemed commercially viable to continue pursuing Mr Ashraf. However, during the course of our negotiations with Mr Ashraf he made an offer to pay the sum of £2,000 into the liquidation estate in respect of our potential claims against him.

Based upon the advice of our solicitors this offer was accepted. No further realisations are anticipated from this source.

5. CREDITORS

Irrespective of whether sufficient realisations are achieved to pay a dividend to creditors I have had to carry out key tasks which are detailed in the attached appendices. The following sections explain the anticipated outcomes to creditors and any distributions paid.

5.1 Secured creditors

The Company had granted the following security:

Type of charge	Date created	Beneficiary
Debenture	23 June 2005	HSBC Bank Plc

This charge is listed as outstanding at Companies House, however, HSBC have yet to lodge a claim in the liquidation.

5.2 Preferential creditors

The Company has no known preferential creditors.

5.3 Prescribed part

Where a floating charge is created after 15 September 2003 a prescribed part of the company's net property shall be made available to unsecured creditors.

Based on present information, I estimate that there will be insufficient realisations to discharge all costs in full. Therefore, it is anticipated that there will be no net property from which to deduct a prescribed part.

5.4 Unsecured creditors

To date, I have received one unsecured claim totalling £651,324 from HM Revenue and Customs.

5.5 Dividend prospects

Based upon current information I do not anticipate that there will sufficient asset realisations to allow for a return to any class of creditor.

6. FEES AND EXPENSES

6.1 The Liquidator’s fees

It is the firm’s practice to ensure that work is conducted by the appropriate staff member at the appropriate level of experience. Junior members of staff deal with the day to day administration on cases and a manager and director then oversees the work undertaken. Where the issues are complex and litigious, the work will be closely supervised or undertaken by a senior manager, director or partner.

The basis of my fees was approved by creditors on 29 May 2014 in accordance with the following:

1. The liquidator be authorised to draw remuneration by reference to the time properly given by the office holder and his staff in attending to matters arising in the liquidation and be authorised to draw such remuneration and disbursements as and when funds allow.
2. That the liquidator be authorised to draw an uplift of 50% on his time costs or such lesser sum as the creditors may agree with him.
3. Category 2 disbursements be drawn in accordance with the attached policy statement of DDJ Insolvency Limited

The accrued time costs for the period 28 March 2018 to 27 March 2019 total £4,705.00, representing 21.80 hours at an average hourly rate of £215.83. The total time costs incurred during the period of appointment amount to £53,662, representing 160.40 hours at an average hourly rate of £334.55.

Details of the time costs incurred during the Review Period and cumulatively are included in the attached appendices.

To date, no fees have been in respect of these costs.

6.2 Disbursements

The disbursements that have been incurred and not yet paid during the Review Period and the period of appointment are detailed in the attached appendices.

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website at <http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk/>. A copy of ‘A Creditors’ Guide to Fees’ can be found at <https://www.r3.org.uk/index.cfm?page=1591>. A hard copy of both Guides may be obtained on request.

6.3 Solicitors

Clarke Willmott were instructed as legal advisors in order to assist with my investigations into the conduct of the Company’s directors and to carry out all associated work in relation to progressing claims against the directors.

Their costs have been agreed on the basis of their standard hourly charge out rates, plus disbursements and VAT. Their incurred time costs for the period 28 March 2018 to 27 March 2019 amount to £618. Their total incurred time costs from the date of their engagement amounts to £66,332.10.

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To date, no fees have been paid to Clarke Willmott in respect of their accrued time costs. However, the sum of £10,430.97 was paid to them in respect of their accrued expenses which were incurred through various court filing fees and mediation costs associated with the settlement with Mr Goodman.

7. CREDITORS' RIGHTS

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the court or with the concurrence of 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question) request further details of the Liquidators' remuneration and expenses, within 21 days of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may request the same details in the same time limit.

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the court or with the concurrence of 10% in value of the creditors (including the creditor in question), apply to court to challenge the amount and/or basis of the Liquidator's fees and the amount of any proposed expenses or expenses already incurred, within 8 weeks of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may make a similar application to court within the same time limit.

8. EC REGULATIONS (WHETHER PROCEEDINGS ARE MAIN PROCEEDINGS OR TERRITORIAL)

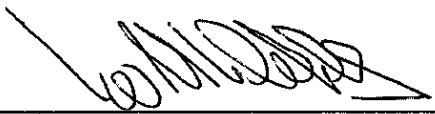
The Company's centre of main interest was First Floor, Bridge House, Heap Bridge, Bury, Lancashire, BL9 7HT and therefore it is considered that the EC Regulations will apply. These proceedings are main proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulation.

9. CONCLUSION

The liquidation will be concluded within the next 6 -12 months.

Creditors will receive a further report at the conclusion of the liquidation.

Should you require any further information, in addition to that already given, please contact Harman Khangure by telephone on 020 3794 8750 or by e-mail at hkhangure@cvr.global.


Signed _____
James Dowers
Liquidator
24 May 2019

Appendix 1

Statutory Information

Company Name	Zuko Legal Limited
Company Number	04968677
Registered Office	CVR Global LLP, 20 Furnival Street London, EC4A 1JQ
Former Registered Office	First Floor, Bridge House, Heap Bridge, Bury, Lancashire, BL9 7HT
Officeholder	James Ashley Dowers
Officeholder address	CVR Global LLP, 20 Furnival Street, London, EC4A 1JQ
Date of appointment	28 March 2014

Appendix 2

Receipts and Payments account for the Review period

Zuko Legal Limited
(In Liquidation)

LIQUIDATOR'S RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	NOTES	Statement of affairs £	From 28/03/2018 To 27/03/2019 £	From 28/03/2014 To 27/03/2019 £
RECEIPTS				
Cash at Bank	1	6,000	-	-
Bank Interest Gross			8	9
Settlement Money			19,334	42,667
			<u>19,342</u>	<u>42,676</u>
PAYMENTS				
Legal Fees			-	(10,431)
Vat Receivable			-	(355)
			<u>-</u>	<u>(10,786)</u>
BALANCE - 27 March 2019				31,891
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS				
Interest Bearing Bank Account				31,536
VAT Receivable				355
				<u>31,891</u>

Notes

1. The cash at bank listed on the statement of affairs was realised during the Company's earlier liquidation and utilised to meet the expenses of the former liquidator.

Appendix 3

Detailed list of work undertaken in the Review Period

Below is detailed information about the tasks undertaken by the liquidator.

ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING	Work involved in this category relates mainly to routine and statutory functions. It does not necessarily provide financial benefit to creditors, but ensures that the case is managed and administered in accordance with legislation and in a professional manner. Specific work is detailed below:
Document maintenance/file review/checklist	Filing of documents Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists
Bank account administration	Bank account reconciliations Maintenance of the estate cash book Banking remittances
Planning / Review	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case
INVESTIGATIONS	The office holders are required to undertake an investigation in to the affairs of the company or individual prior to the commencement of the insolvency process. An office holder is required to submit a report on the conduct of the Directors who were in office in the period three years prior to the commencement of the insolvency process, to the Insolvency Service, in accordance with legislation. Occasionally such investigations identify further potential asset recoveries. Specific work is detailed below:
Litigation / Recoveries	Liaising with solicitors regarding recovery actions Attending to negotiations Attending to settlement matters
REALISATION OF ASSETS	This involves work in realising assets of the company or individual, which are known and stated in the statement of affairs. It may also include work involved in asset recoveries identified post appointment, which were either unknown or identified during the office holders’ investigations. Specific work is detailed below:
Other assets	Liaising with solicitors with regard to transfer of settlement monies
CREDITORS	This involves work in dealing with creditor queries and correspondence, including reports and where funds permit agreeing creditor claims and provision of dividends to creditors. This may also involve assisting employees. Specific work is detailed below:
Creditor reports	Preparing annual progress report
Other case specific matters	Post appointment tax returns

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Current Charge-out Rates for the firm

Time charging policy

Charge-out rates are normally reviewed annually when rates are adjusted to reflect such matters as inflation; increases in direct wage costs; and changes to indirect costs such as Professional Indemnity Insurance. It is the firm’s policy for the cashier’s time spent on an assignment to be charged to the case. However, secretarial and office admin support time is charged only in respect of identifiable blocks of time devoted to the case where we consider it to be viable to do so. All time is recorded in 6 minute units.

Staff	Charge out rates £
Insolvency Practitioner/Partners	390-495
Consultants	390-495
Directors	360-390
Associate Directors	330-360
Managers	300-330
Assistant Manager	290-310
Senior Executive	240-275
Executive	155-190
Cashier	135-185
Secretarial/Admin/Analyst	90-125

A schedule of DDJ Insolvency Limited’s charge – out rates at 1 December 2015 are listed below:

Staff	Charge out rates £
Director	395
Manager	305
Other Senior Professionals	-
Senior Administrator	250
Administrator	195
Junior Administrator	150

Below are details of DDJ Insolvency Limited’s charge-out rates which were applied with effect from 1 December 2016:

Staff	Charge out rates £
Director	495
Manager	450
Other Senior Professionals	-
Senior Administrator	350
Administrator	295
Junior Administrator	250

Appendix 4

Actual time cost information for the Review Period and cumulative

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Time and Chargeout Summary for the period 28/03/2018 to 27/03/2019							
Classification of work function	Hours					Time Cost £	Average hourly rate £
	Partner / Director	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours		
Administration & Planning							
(A)Case Reviews	0.00	0.00	1.50	1.80	3.30	754.50	228.64
(A)Cashing	0.00	0.00	1.10	2.30	3.40	627.50	184.56
(A)General Administration	0.30	0.00	1.50	1.00	2.80	682.00	243.57
(A)General advice/meetings	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.20	55.00	275.00
(A)Statutory Filing, advertising & bordereau	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.40	0.60	131.00	218.33
Total for Administration & Planning	0.30	0.00	4.50	5.50	10.30	2,250.00	218.45
Investigations							
(I)Investigations (not SIP2/CDDA)	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.20	0.70	162.50	232.14
Total for Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.20	0.70	162.50	232.14
Realisation of Assets							
(R)Other Assets	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	137.50	275.00
Total for Realisation of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	137.50	275.00
Creditors							
(C)Claims & Proofs	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.30	0.40	84.50	211.25
(C)Correspondence	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.10	27.50	275.00
(C)Reports & Circulars	0.00	0.00	2.60	4.50	7.10	1,570.00	221.13
Total for Creditors	0.00	0.00	2.80	4.80	7.60	1,682.00	221.32
Case Specific Matters							
(CS)Legal Matters (non invest)	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40	110.00	275.00
(CS)Other Special Issues	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.20	55.00	275.00
(CS)Post appointment tax returns	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.10	2.10	308.00	146.67
Total for Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.60	2.10	2.70	473.00	175.19
Total Hours	0.30	0.00	8.90	12.60	21.80	4,705.00	215.83
Total fees Claimed	138.00	0.00	2,447.50	2,119.50	4,705.00		

ZUKO LEGAL LIMITED - CVL - ZUKO65144

Time and Chargeout Summary for the period 28/03/2014 to 27/03/2019							
Classification of work function	Hours					Time Cost £	Average hourly rate £
	Partner / Director	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours		
Administration & Planning							
(A)Case Reviews	1.20	0.00	2.50	2.50	6.20	1,624.00	261.94
(A)Cashing	0.00	0.00	1.50	4.50	6.00	1,055.50	175.92
(A)General Administration	7.20	0.00	3.60	4.80	15.60	4,442.50	284.78
(A)General advice/meetings	0.30	0.00	0.80	0.00	1.10	368.50	335.00
(A)JA Correspondence	0.00	0.00	1.20	0.00	1.20	330.00	275.00
(A)Money Laundering & ethics	0.10	0.00	0.30	0.30	0.70	169.50	242.14
(A)Statutory Filing, advertising & bordereau	0.10	0.00	1.20	1.50	2.80	632.00	225.71
Total for Administration & Planning	8.90	0.00	11.10	13.60	33.60	8,622.00	256.61
Investigations							
(I)Antecedent Transactions	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	99.00	495.00
(I)Investigations (not SIP2/CDDA)	17.70	0.00	0.50	0.20	18.40	8,304.50	451.33
Total for Investigations	17.90	0.00	0.50	0.20	18.60	8,403.50	451.80
Realisation of Assets							
(R)Other Assets	0.20	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.70	215.50	307.86
Total for Realisation of Assets	0.20	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.70	215.50	307.86
Creditors							
(C)Claims & Proofs	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.30	0.40	84.50	211.25
(C)Correspondence	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.10	27.50	275.00
(C)Reports & Circulars	0.00	0.00	3.80	7.70	11.50	2,351.00	204.43
Total for Creditors	0.00	0.00	4.00	8.00	12.00	2,463.00	205.25
Case Specific Matters							
(CS)Legal Matters (non invest)	7.30	0.00	1.10	0.00	8.40	3,149.50	374.94
(CS)Other Special Issues	5.50	0.00	0.40	0.00	5.90	2,255.00	382.20
(CS)Post appointment tax returns	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.70	2.70	389.50	144.26
Total for Case Specific Matters	12.80	0.00	1.50	2.70	17.00	5,794.00	340.82
Total Hours	39.80	0.00	17.60	24.50	81.90	25,498.00	311.33
Total fees Claimed	16,866.00	0.00	4,840.00	3,792.00	25,498.00		

Time Entry - Detailed SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

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From: 28/03/2014 To: 01/07/2017

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
202 : Set up Administration	2.00	0.70	0.00	0.00	2.70	875.50	324.26
203 : Post appointment VAT and CT	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.10	305.00	305.00
205 : Dealing with Company, Director or Bankrupt	14.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.40	5,868.00	407.50
206 : General case administration, billing, filing	27.75	0.00	0.00	0.60	28.35	10,178.75	359.04
Admin & Planning	44.15	0.80	0.00	0.60	45.55	16,952.75	372.18
619 : Correspondence, preparation or reports, meetings	5.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.90	2,120.50	359.41
620 : Dealing with claims and proof of debts	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	448.50	345.00
Creditors	7.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.20	2,569.00	356.81
307 : Information capture, correspondence, meetings	5.80	1.50	0.00	0.40	7.70	2,515.50	326.69
309 : Strategic planning and organisation	12.95	1.80	0.00	0.60	15.35	5,326.75	347.02
310 : Dealing with solicitors and litigation	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	49.50	495.00
311 : Statutory Reports	0.60	0.30	0.00	1.50	2.40	661.50	275.63
Investigations	19.45	3.60	0.00	2.50	25.55	8,553.25	334.77
412 Identification, securing, insuring and bonding	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	89.00	445.00
Realisation of Assets	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	89.00	445.00
Total Hours	71.00	4.40	0.00	3.10	78.50	28,164.00	358.78
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	

Appendix 5

Expenses summary for period and cumulative

Expenses	Actual expenses incurred in the Review Period £	Actual expenses incurred to date £
Category 1 Expenses		
Legal Fees	618.00	66,332.10
Legal Disbursements	53.00	10,608.97
Bonding	-	10.00
Land Registry Search Fee	3.00	6.00
Advertising	-	162.25
Electronic Filing Fee	-	12.00
Subsistence	-	31.60
Total	674.00	77,162.92
Category 2 Expenses		
Stationery & Postage	-	4.11
Internal meeting room	-	150.00
Total	-	154.11