# **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

05686424

Name of Company

Ace Fancy Dress Limited

1/We

John Dickinson, 66 Prescot Street, London, E1 8NN

Carl James Bowles, 66 Prescot Street, London, E1 8NN

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 20/12/2012 to 19/12/2014

Signed

Date \_ 23/12/14

Carter Backer Winter LLP 66 Prescot Street London **E18NN** 

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# **Ace Fancy Dress Limited** (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments

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John Dickinson

Joint Liquidator



# Ace Fancy Dress Limited In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

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Ace Fancy Dress Limited ("the Company") In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

Joint Liquidators' Annual Progress Report to Members and Creditors for the year ending 19 December 2014

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#### 1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Company name Ace Fancy Dress Limited

Registered office 66 Prescot Street

London E1 8NN

Former registered office 2-3 Bassett Court

Broad Street Newport Pagnell MK16 0JN

Registered number 05686424

Joint Liquidators' names John Dickinson

**Carl James Bowles** 

Joint Liquidators' address 66 Prescot Street

London E1 8NN

Joint Liquidators' date of appointment 20 Dece

**20 December 2012** 

#### 2. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Our Receipts & Payments Account for the period from 20 December 2012 to 19 December 2014 is attached at Appendix 1 The Receipts and Payments Accounts included the period 20 December 2013 to 19 December 2014 being "the reporting period"

## 3. ASSETS

#### **Lease Property**

As per the Directors Statement of Affairs ("SofA") a potential asset of the Company was the leasehold owned by the Company in the above mentioned former registered office

However, prior to the Company being placed into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation the Landlord distrained on the lease and regained the property due to unpaid rent arrears

Therefore we have not been able to realise any monies for the benefit in respect of the leased property for the liquidation estate

### Stock and Office Furniture & Equipment

As per the Directors SofA a potential assets of the Company was the stock and furniture & equipment located in the leased former registered office of the Company. The Directors listed these assets as having book values of £45,000 and £15,000 respectively with estimated to realise values of nl

As mentioned above, the landlord of the registered office had entered the property in respect of outstanding rent arrears in order to regain the property. The Landlord also seized all assets in the office including the stock and office furniture & equipment.

On our appointment as Liquidators of the Company we began corresponding with the landlord with regards to these potential assets and were informed that they had been sold at auction for the sum of £18,530 which was off-set against any claim against the Company

Therefore we have not realised any monies in respect of these assets

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#### **Intellectual Property**

As per the Director SofA Intellectual Property of the Company was listed with a nil book value and with an uncertain estimated to realise value

On appointment the Director expressed an interest to purchase the goodwill and intellectual property of the Company

It was agreed between the Liquidators and the Director that the assets would be sold for £10,000 in which we would receive 5 instalments of £1,000 and a final payment of £5,000

To date we have received £5,000 in respect if the Goodwill and Intellectual Property We are yet to receive the final £5,000 payment and are in the process of chasing the director for this payment

#### 4. LIABILITIES

#### Secured Liabilities

An examination of the company's mortgage register held by the Registrar of Companies showed that the company held a mortgage with National Westminster Bank Plc, where a fixed and floating charge was created and registered on 28 May 2009 and 6 June 2009 respectively

#### **Preferential Creditors**

The SofA anticipated £12,905 being owed to preferential creditors. However we are yet to receive any claims from preferential creditors.

#### **Crown Creditors**

The SofA included £62,231 owed to HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") in respect of VAT, Corporation Tax and PAYE HMRC's provisional claim of £32,386 has been received in respect of PAYE and £74,398 for VAT

We are yet to receive HMRC's claim in respect of Corporation Tax

#### **Unsecured Creditors**

The SofA included fifteen unsecured creditors with an estimated total liability of £116,813 To date I have received claims from two creditors at a total of £7,419

I have not received claims from twelve creditors with original estimated claims in the statement of affairs of £110,822

During the course of the Liquidation I have received claims from five creditors for the sum of £54,946

## 5. JOINT LIQUIDATORS' ACTIONS SINCE APPOINTMENT

The initial strategy of the Liquidation was to realise the assets of the company in a time and cost effective manner. However, as we have not yet received the full amount agreed for the purchase of the company's assets, a dividend to creditors is unlikely due to the costs incurred of realising these funds and completing my statutory duties have exceeded the value of the assets to be received.

#### 6. INVESTIGATION INTO THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY

Within six months of my appointment as liquidator, I am required to submit a confidential report to the Secretary of State to include any matters which have come to my attention during the course of my work which may indicate that the conduct of any past or present director would make him unfit to be concerned with the management of the company. I would confirm that my report has been submitted

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#### 7. PRE-APPOINTMENT COSTS

The creditors previously authorised the payment of a fee of £6,500 for assistance with the statement of affairs and producing and circulating the notices for the meetings of members and creditors prior to my appointment at a meeting held on 15 November 2012

To date we have received funds of £1,300 in respect of this fee and the balance of £5,200 remains outstanding

#### 8. JOINT LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION

My remuneration was also previously authorised by the creditors of the Company at the meeting held on 20 December 2012 to be drawn on a time cost basis as and when funds are available

My time costs to 19 December 2014 amount to £10,867 (totalling 73 12 hours at an average hourly rate of £148 62) of which £1,320 was incurred during the reporting period

I have not been able to drawn any remuneration

A schedule of my time costs incurred to date is attached as Appendix 2

A description of the routine work undertaken in the liquidation to date is as follows

#### 1 Administration and Planning

- · Preparing the documentation and dealing with the formalities of appointment
- Statutory notifications and advertising
- Preparing documentation required
- Dealing with all routine correspondence
- Maintaining electronic records and case information
- Review and storage
- Case bordereau
- · Case planning and administration
- Preparing reports to members and creditors
- Convening and holding meetings of members and creditors
- Review and storage of books and records

#### 2 Cashiering

- Maintaining and managing the liquidator's cashbook and bank account
- Ensuring statutory lodgements and tax lodgement obligations are met

#### 3 <u>Creditors</u>

- Dealing with creditor correspondence and telephone conversations
- Preparing reports to creditors
- Maintaining electronic creditor records
- · Reviewing and adjudicating on proofs of debt received from creditors

#### 4 Investigations

- Prepare a return pursuant to the Company Directors Disqualification Act
- Conduct investigations into suspicious transactions
- Review books and records to identify any transactions or actions a liquidator may take against a third party in order to recover funds for the benefit of creditors

#### 5 Realisation of Assets

- Liaising with the company's bank regarding the closure of the account
- Liaising with the landlord in respect of stock and office furniture & equipment
- Corresponding with the Director for the sale of the intellectual property and goodwill

A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators' Fees' published by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals is available at <a href="https://www.cbw.co.uk/creditor-guides">www.cbw.co.uk/creditor-guides</a> Please note that there are different versions for cases that commenced before or after 6 April 2010 and in this case you should refer to the post-April 2010 version. A hard copy is available on request

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#### 9. JOINT LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

My expenses to 19 December 2014 amount to £1,120 of which £17 was incurred in the reporting period. I have not been able to draw any expenses in this matter

The following agents or professional advisors have been utilised in this matter

Professional Advisor

Nature of Work

Fee Arrangement

**Edward Symmons** 

Valuer/Auctioneer

Percentage of realisations

The choice of professionals was based on my perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of my fee arrangement with them. The fees charged have been reviewed and I am satisfied that they are reasonable in the circumstances of this case.

#### 10. FURTHER INFORMATION

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 Liquidator's 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.

#### 11. DIVIDEND PROSPECTS

It is unlikely that a dividend will be paid to any class of creditor as funds realised to date have been used to meet the costs of the liquidation

#### 12. SUMMARY

The liquidation will remain open until the matter of receiving the outstanding amount as agreed, for the purchase of the goodwill and intellectual property. Once this issue has been dealt with the liquidation will be finalised and our files will be closed.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter please contact Alex Ablett on 020 7309 3872

J A Dickinson Joint Liquidator

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# **APPENDIX 1**

Joint Liquidators'
Receipts and Payments Account

# Ace Fancy Dress Limited in Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

# Annual Receipts and Payments Account for the period 20 December 2012 to 19 December 2014

	Statement	20/12/2012	20/12/2013	Total	
	of	to	to		
	Affairs	19/12/2013	19/12/2014		
	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)	
Receipts					
Intellectual Property	Uncertain	-	-	-	
Sale of Assets	NI	5,000 00	-	5,000.00	
Bank Interest Gross	Nıl	0.55	0.43	0.98	
	Uncertain	5,000.55	0.43	5,000.98	
Payments					
Office Holders Fees		-	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	
Agents/Valuers Fees		(2,775.88)	-	(2,775.88)	
Storage Costs		-	(39 60)	(39.60)	
		(2,775.88)	(1,339.60)	(4,115.48)	
Balance		2,224.67	(1,339.17)	885.50	
Balance Made Up As Foll	ows				
VAT Receivable		555.19	(550.44)	4 75	
Liquidation Account (interest bearing)		1,669 48	(788 73)	880.75	
		2,224.67	(1,339.17)	885.50	

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## **APPENDIX 2**

Details of Time Incurred in accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 together with CBW's current charge out rates for this type of work Ace Fancy Dress Limited

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Time and Charge Out Summary

for the period 20 December 2012 to 19 December 2014

#### Hours

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	Partners	Directors	Managers	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants and Support Staff	Total Hours	Total Costs	Average Hourly Rate	Disburitments	E
Pre-Appointment	7 50			- 110	20 77	29 37	£7 495 50	£255 21		
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Time and Charge Out Summary for the period 20 December 2012 to 19 December, 2013										
Administration and Planning	-			-	18 03	18 03	£2,510 00	£139 21	Advertising	126 81
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Compliance	-				7 90	7 90	£1 915 00	£242 41	Other Professional Fees	750 00
Creditors	-	-		0 10	1 30	1 40	£258 00	£184 29	Storage	186 02
Employees		-			0 30	0 30	£75 00	£250 00		
Investigations	-	-			5 30	5 30	£913 00	£172 26		
Legal	-	-			2 60	2 60	£650 00	£250 00		
Realisation of Assets	1 25	-		•	1 85	3 10	£1 056 25	£340 73		
Review	2 00			0 30	5 10	7 40	£1 995 00	£269 59		
Statutory Meeting Attendance	-			•	0 70	0 70	£175 00	£250 00		
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Time and Charge Out Summary, for the period 20 December 2013 to 19 December 2014										
Administration and Planning	-		-		10 73	10 73	£820 00	£76 42	Postage	16 92
Cashiering	-	-	-	-	5 33	5 33	-	-		
Report Preparation and Review					1 40	1 40	£350 00	£250 00		
Review			-	-	0 60	0 60	£150 00	£250 00		
-	•			-	18 06	18 06	£1,320 00	£73 09		16.92
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Cost Per Employee Category	£4,726 25	-	-	£456 00	£13,180 50		£18,362 75			

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#### **CARTER BACKER WINTER LLP ("CBW")**

#### **CORPORATE RECOVERY AND INSOLVENCY DEPARTMENT**

#### **INSOLVENCY APPOINTMENTS**

### **TIME COST CHARGE-OUT RATES**

	From 1 January 2014	From 1 January 2013	From 1 April 2012
	Per Hour £	Per Hour £	Per Hour £
Partners / Directors	475	475	475
Manager	430	430	430
Assistant Managers	400	400	-
Senior Administrators	380	380	380
Administrators	250	250	250
Junior Administrators	100	100	215
Cashier	0	0	0
Support Staff	0	0	0

#### Note:

Work undertaken on cases is recorded in 6 minute units utilising time-recording software

Time properly incurred on insolvency cases is charged at the hourly rate of the grade of staff undertaking the work that applies at the time the work is done. CBW's charge-out rates change from time to time.

#### **DISBURSEMENT RECOVERY**

Disbursements are categorised as either Category 1 or Category 2

Category 1 disbursements generally comprise external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case. Where expenses are incurred and then recharged to the case, approval from creditors is not required. Examples of Category 1 disbursements include statutory advertising, specific bond insurance, document storage, postage, company search fees, and properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case. Also included will be services specific to the case where these cannot be practically provided internally, such as printing and room hire.

Category 2 disbursements include elements of shared or allocated costs where supplied internally Category 2 disbursements are recoverable in full, subject to the basis of the disbursement charge being approved by creditors in advance. CBW does not charge Category 2 disbursements