

Universal Asset Protection Limited

(In Compulsory Liquidation)

(“the Company”)

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS’ PROGRESS REPORT

1 July 2021

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Nicholas Simmonds and Andrew Watling of Quantum Advisory Limited, Office D, Beresford House, Town Quay, Southampton, SO14 2AQ were appointed Joint Liquidators of Universal Asset Protection Limited on 27 June 2018.

Nicholas Simmonds is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Insolvency Practitioners Association and Andrew Watling is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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ABBREVIATIONS

For the purpose of this report the following abbreviations shall be used:

"the Act"	Insolvency Act 1986
"the Rules"	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
"the Joint Liquidators"	Nicholas Simmonds and Andrew Watling of Quantuma Advisory Limited
"the Company"	Universal Asset Protection Limited (in Liquidation)
"EOS"	Estimated Outcome Statement
"SIP"	Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales)
"Review Period"	Period covered by the report from 27 June 2020 to 26 June 2021

INTRODUCTION

This report has been prepared to provide members and creditors with an update on the progress of the Liquidation of the Company since our last report dated 2 July 2020.

Please be aware that on 1 August 2020, Quantuma LLP transferred its business to Quantuma Advisory Limited.

Given the information previously provided to members and creditors in our earlier reports, we have not included detailed background information in respect of the Company and have focussed on the progress of the Liquidation subsequent to those reports.

A schedule of statutory information in respect of the Company is attached at Appendix 1.

Details of the appointment of the Joint Liquidators

Nicholas Simmonds and Andrew Watling of Quantuma Advisory Limited were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company on 27 June 2018 by the Secretary of State.

The Joint Liquidators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either one or both of them.

THE PROGRESS OF THE LIQUIDATION

The Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account

Attached at Appendix 2 is a receipts and payments account covering the Review Period together with a summary of the transactions in the previous Review Periods. In accordance with the requirements of SIP 7, we confirm that the account has been reconciled with that held at the bank.

We have summarised the main asset realisations during the Review Period and an estimation of the those assets yet to be realised, together with details of costs incurred but as yet remaining unpaid.

VAT Basis

Receipts and payments are shown net of VAT, with any amount due to or from HM Revenue and Customs shown separately.

Administrative, Statutory & Regulatory Tasks

The Joint Liquidators have met a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks have not had a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they have assisted in the efficient and compliant progressing of the Liquidation, which has ensured that the Joint Liquidators and their staff have carried out their work to high professional standards.

During the Review Period, primarily these tasks have included:

- Drafting and issuing the progress report to creditors;
- Consulting with and instructing staff and independent advisers as regards practical, technical and legal aspects of the case to ensure efficient progress;
- Maintaining electronic case files, which must include records to show and explain the Liquidation and any decisions made by the Joint Liquidators that materially affect the Liquidation;

- Monitoring and maintaining an adequate statutory bond;
- Conducting periodic case reviews to ensure that the Liquidation is progressing efficiently, effectively and in line with the statutory requirements;
- Maintaining and updating the estate cash book and bank accounts, including regular bank reconciliations and processing receipts and payments; and
- Completing periodic tax returns.

Realisation of assets

No assets have been identified or realised during this review period.

Estimated future realisations

None.

Payments

Bank charges - £88.00

Costs incurred but remaining unpaid

Costs incurred during the Review Period, but which as yet remain unpaid. These costs are separately detailed below:

Cost Description	Amount (£)
Storage	2.52
TOTAL	2.52

During the Review Period, the Joint Administrators have also incurred time costs and direct expenses, not all of which have yet been discharged. Further details of these costs are set out below.

CREDITORS: CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Since the last progress report, the Joint Liquidators have carried out the following main tasks in this category:

- maintained creditor information on the system;
- dealt with creditor correspondence and telephone conversations;

Secured Creditor

None.

Preferential creditors

The preferential creditors' claims are estimated to amount to £9,533 and are in respect of employees claims for wage arrears and/or holiday pay as well as a claim for contributions to the occupational pension scheme.

There are insufficient funds to make a distribution to preferential creditors.

Prescribed Part

Under Section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986, where after 15 September 2003 a company has granted to a creditor a floating charge, a proportion of the net property of the company must be made available purely for the unsecured creditors. This equates to:

- 50% of net property up to £10,000;
- Plus, 20% of net property in excess of £10,000.
- Subject to a maximum of £600,000.

The Company has not granted a floating charge to any creditor after 15 September 2003 and consequently there will be no prescribed part in this Liquidation.

Unsecured creditors

Unsecured claims were estimated at £759,308 in the Statement of Affairs and to date 15 claims have been received from unsecured creditors totalling £643,482.

It is not anticipated that a dividend will be paid to unsecured creditors.

Notice of No Dividend

In accordance with Rule 14.36 and Rule 14.37 the Joint Liquidators confirm that no dividend will be distributed as no funds have been realised.

OTHER MATTERS AND INFORMATION TO ASSIST CREDITORS

Investigations

SIP2 - Initial Assessment of Potential Recoveries

As part of our duties as Joint Liquidators, we are obliged to review shortly after appointment all the information available to us and conduct an initial assessment of whether there are any matters which may lead to any recoveries for the benefit of creditors. This would typically include any potential claims which may be brought against parties either connected to or who have past dealings with the Company.

The initial assessment identified matters that warranted further investigation. A police task force are currently looking into the operations of the Company, and their investigations are ongoing.

General Data Protection Legislation

In compliance with general data protection legislation, creditors, employees, shareholders, directors and any other stakeholder who is an individual (i.e. not a corporate entity) in these insolvency proceedings is referred to the Privacy Notice in respect of Insolvency Appointments, which can be found at this link <http://www.quantuma.com/legal-notices>.

Further Information

Creditors should note that the Joint Liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment. Further information can be viewed at the following link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics> Additionally the Joint Liquidators are also bound by the regulations of their Licensing Bodies.

To comply with the Provision of Services Regulations, some general information about Quantuma Advisory Limited, including our complaints policy and Professional Indemnity Insurance, can be found at <http://www.quantuma.com/legal-information>.

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website at www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk.

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General ethical considerations

During the Review Period, no new threats to compliance with the Code of Ethics have been identified [and the safeguards put in place to mitigate threats previously identified have been reviewed and they are effectively managing those threats].

Specialist Advice and Services

When instructing third parties to provide specialist advice and services or having the specialist services provided by the firm, the Joint Liquidator is obligated to ensure that such advice or work is warranted and that the advice or work contracted reflects the best value and service for the work undertaken. The firm reviews annually the specialists available to provide services within each specialist area and the cost of those services to ensure best value. The specialists chosen usually have knowledge specific to the insolvency industry and, where relevant, to matters specific to this insolvency appointment.

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

Joint Liquidators' Remuneration

The basis of the Joint Liquidators' fees has not yet been fixed.

Joint Liquidators' Expenses

The expenses, which include disbursements that have been incurred and not yet paid during the period are detailed above.

No category 1 or category 2 expenses have been paid for in the Review Period.

A copy of 'A Creditors Guide to Liquidators' Fees' effective from 1 April 2021 together with the firm's current schedule of charge-out rates and chargeable disbursements may be found at <https://www.quantuma.com/guide/creditors-guide-fees>

A hard copy of both the Creditors' Guide and the firm's charge-out rate and expenses policy may be obtained on request at no cost.

Creditors' right to request information

Any secured creditor, or unsecured creditor with the support of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors or with permission of the Court, may request in writing the Joint Liquidators to provide additional information regarding remuneration or expenses to that already supplied within this report. Such requests must be made within 21 days of receipt of this report.

Creditors' right to challenge remuneration and/or expenses

Any secured creditor, or unsecured creditor with the support of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors or with permission of the Court, may apply to the Court for one or more orders, reducing the amount or the basis of remuneration which the Joint Liquidators are entitled to charge or otherwise challenging some or all of the expenses incurred.

Such applications must be made within 8 weeks of receipt by the applicant(s) of the progress report detailing the remuneration and/or expenses being complained of.

Please note that such challenges may not disturb remuneration or expenses disclosed in prior progress reports.

General Data Protection Regulation

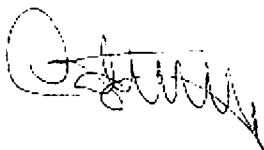
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Future actions to be taken in the Liquidation

The administration of the Liquidation will continue in order to finalise the following outstanding matters that are preventing this case from being closed:

- Ongoing police investigation
- Pension contribution claim

Should you have any queries in regard to any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Karen Paracchini on 023 8033 6464 or by e-mail at Karen.Paracchini@Quantuma.com



Andrew Watling
Joint Liquidator

Universal Asset Protection Limited
(IN LIQUIDATION)

STATUTORY INFORMATION

Company Name	Universal Asset Protection Limited
Trading Address	Dencora House 34, White House Road, Ipswich, IP1 5LT
Court	County Court
Court Number & Year	2018-0038 of 2018
Date of Appointment	27 June 2018
Joint Liquidators	Nicholas Simmonds Andrew Watling Quantuma Advisory Limited Office D, Beresford House, Town Quay, Southampton, SO14 2AQ
Registered office Address	c/o Quantuma Advisory Limited Office D, Beresford House, Town Quay, Southampton, SO14 2AQ
Company Number	5929392
Incorporation Date	08/09/2006

Universal Asset Protection Limited
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THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
AS AT 26 JUNE 2021

**Universal Asset Protection Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs £	From 27/06/2020 To 26/06/2021 £	From 27/06/2018 To 26/06/2021 £
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Petition Deposit	NIL	1,600.00
	NIL	1,600.00
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Bank Charges	88.00	264.00
O.R. Fees & Disbursements	NIL	11,000.00
	(88.00)	(11,264.00)
	(88.00)	(9,664.00)
REPRESENTED BY		
ISA NIB		(9,664.00)
		(9,664.00)

Universal Asset Protection Limited
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SCHEDULE OF THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' TIMECOSTS DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD AND THE WHOLE PERIOD OF THE LIQUIDATION

Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

6003644 - Universal Asset Protection Limited
All Post Appointment Project Codes
From 27/05/2018 To 25/06/2021

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Associates & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	50	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	1,628.40	260.34
Case Review Meetings	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
Case Writing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creating Procedures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Decision	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investigation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tracking	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	1,628.40	260.34
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	

Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

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From 27/05/2018 To 25/06/2021

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Associates & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	18.40	0.00	24.00	4.00	46.40	11,181.00	241.24
Case Review Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Case Writing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creating Procedures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Decision	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investigation	27.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	45.00	12,178.00	269.14
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tracking	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	45.40	0.00	24.00	0.00	69.40	23,359.00	336.58
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	

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DETAILED NARRATIVE LIST OF WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS DURING
THE REVIEW PERIOD

Description of work undertaken	Includes
<u>ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING</u>	
General Administration - Dealing with all routine correspondence and emails relating to the case.	
Case strategy & completing file reviews at 1 month, 2 months & 6 months.	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case 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
Corporation Tax matters and returns.	Preparation and filing of Corporation Tax Returns
<u>CREDITORS</u>	
Dealing with creditor correspondence, emails and telephone conversations.	Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via email and post
Dealing with Pension Schemes	Corresponding with the PPF and the Pensions Regulator
Dealing with HMRC/RPO claims	
Annual/Progress Reports	Preparing, circulating and filing progress reports. Disclosure of sales to connected parties
<u>INVESTIGATIONS</u>	
Investigations	
<u>CASHIERING</u>	
Bank Reconciliations	

Current Charge-out Rates of the staff working on the case

Time charging policy

Support staff and executive assistants do not charge their time to each case except when the initial set up is being performed or when a sizeable administrative task or appropriate ad hoc duty is being undertaken

Support staff include secretarial and administrative support.

The minimum unit of time recorded is 6 minutes.

Rates are likely to be subject to periodic increase.

Staff	Charge out rates
	£
Partners	480
Directors	400
Assistant Manager	275
Case Accountant	135
Support Staff/Executive Assistant	100

WU07

Notice of progress report in a winding-up by the court



Companies House

For further information, please
refer to our guidance at
www.gov.uk/companieshouse

1 Company details

Company number 5 9 2 9 3 9 2

Company name in full Universal Asset Protection Limited

→ Filling in this form

Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Nicholas

Surname Simmonds

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number Office D

Street Beresford House

Post town Town Quay

County/Region Southampton

Postcode S O 1 4 2 A Q

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Andrew

Surname Watling

① Other liquidator

Use this section to tell us about
another liquidator.

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6 Period of progress report

From date	^d 2	^d 7	^m 0	^m 6	^y 2	^y 0	^y 2	^y 0
To date	^d 2	^d 6	^m 0	^m 6	^y 2	^y 0	^y 2	^y 1

7 Progress report

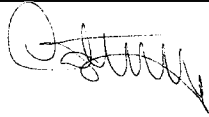
☒ The progress report is attached

8 Sign and date

Liquidator's signature

Signature

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Signature date

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**Presenter information**

You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

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Company name **Quantuma Advisory Limited**

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Beresford House

Post town **Town Quay**

County/Region **Southampton**

Postcode **S O 1 4 2 A Q**

Country

DX **info@quantuma.com**

Telephone **02380336464**

**Checklist**

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing.

Please make sure you have remembered the following:

- ☐ The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed the form.

**Important information**

All information on this form will appear on the public record.

**Where to send**

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ.
DX 33050 Cardiff.

**Further information**

For further information please see the guidance notes on the website at www.gov.uk/companieshouse or email enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk

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