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Contact name	Helen Duckworth
Company name	Leonard Curtis
Address	20 Roundhouse Court
	South Rings Business Park
	Bamber Bridge
Post town	Preston
County/Region	
Postcode	PR56DA
Country	
DX	
Telephone	01772 646180

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## **Joint Liquidators' Final Account**

pursuant to Section 106(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended) and Rule 18.14 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

12 December 2023

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#### TO ALL MEMBERS, CREDITORS AND THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Mark Colman and Megan Singleton were appointed Joint Liquidators of Arlington Aerospace Limited ("the Company") on 15 July 2020.
- 1.2 Mark Colman and Megan Singleton are authorised to act as insolvency practitioners in the UK by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.
- 1.3 There has been no change in office holder since the date of liquidation.
- 1.4 Pursuant to Section 106(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended) ("the Act") and Rule 18.14 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 (the Rules"), as the Company's affairs have been fully wound up, the Joint Liquidators now present an account of the winding up, showing how the liquidation has been conducted and the Company's property disposed of, the outcome for creditors and other information that the Joint Liquidators are required to disclose.
- 1.5 All figures are stated net of VAT.

#### 2 CONDUCT OF THE LIQUIDATION

2.1 The Company's registered office was changed to 20 Roundhouse Court, South Rings Business Park, Bamber Bridge, Preston PR5 6DA on 16 September 2020.

Assets Realised

- 2.2 Please find below a summary of assets realised in this matter, including those realised since our last progress report.
- 2.3 Cash held by Leonard Curtis

As previously reported, on 28 November 2019, the Company's shareholding in Ampco 106 Limited ("Ampco 106") was sold to Ampco 144 Limited (CRN 12111398) ("the Purchaser") for the sum of £2,966,039. This was to be paid by way of a loan repayment totalling £1,411,525 and a payment of £1,554,514; £350,000 of this amount being deferred consideration which was to be paid by twelve monthly instalments of £29,166.67. Prior to our appointment, one payment of the deferred consideration had been received and was forwarded to the Joint Liquidators' client account pending our appointment.

It should be noted that the amounts due under the above agreement were cross guaranteed by Ampco 106 and North West Precision Limited (CRN:07341603) ("NWP") and a debenture was registered against both Ampco 106 and NWP on 28 November 2019 in favour of the Company.

During the Liquidation, the Joint Liquidators have taken steps to recover the balance of the deferred consideration from NWP, details of which are provided below at 2.5.

#### 2.4 Interest

During the Liquidation £92.92 has been received in respect of accrued bank interest, of which £30.99 has been received during the Period.

2.5 Deferred Consideration and Debtors

As previously reported, NWP disputed the balance of the deferred consideration, claiming various breaches of the sale contract. It is also understood that included in the above sale was a further £62,000 of outstanding debtors which would only be paid by the customer once the contract was complete. NWP also disputed this amount.

As previously reported, Clarke Wilmott Solicitors ("CWS"), were instructed to assist in recovering the balance of the deferred consideration and the debtors. CWS asked that we obtain accounting advice on the counter claims from an accounting point of view. The Joint Liquidators subsequently instructed accountants, Bishops Chartered Accountants ("Bishops"), to review the claims made as per their request. Bishops agreed to continue to assist on any accounting elements of the counter claims and it was advised by Bishops that many of the counter claims are likely not valid and that an action against NWP for payment of the deferred consideration should proceed.

On 20 August 2021, NWP made an informal offer of £50,000 in full and final settlement of all amounts due and advised that their offer considers other creditor pressures and cashflow difficulties that NWP were facing, although no evidence of this has been provided. It should be noted that NWP's accounts as at 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2021 demonstrates positive reserves of £1,108,215 and £1,051,621, respectively. Given NWP's balance sheet and the absence of any evidence to support their financial difficulties, CWS advised that they cannot recommend acceptance of the offer.

On 10 January 2022, CWS subsequently formally wrote to NWP confirming that their counter claims are not accepted and invited NWP to make an improved offer for settlement of the debt. CW subsequently advised that NWP confirmed via a telephone call that they would provide a revised offer by 21 April 2022, however this was never received.

On 8 August 2022, CW sought advice from Counsel on the prospect of success of the Company's claim against NWP. Counsel advised that given the claim is for outstanding sums which were due to be paid under contract, the claim would only be unsuccessful if NWP's counterclaims succeeded. Counsel advised that NWP's counterclaims have a poor prospect of success on numerous grounds and suggested that draft proceedings should be served upon NWP.

Following a further review of Counsel's advice, CW advised that although the claims have a good prospect of success, there would be two commercial issues to contend with before issuing proceedings: -

The Joint Liquidators would incur costs of £10,000 in respect of an issue fee, bond insurance would likely cost in the region of £10,000 - £15,000 and furthermore, the Joint Liquidators would need to obtain ATE adverse costs insurance which could cost in the region of £25,000 - £50,000.

CW advised that given the costs detailed above, the Joint Liquidators would require an offer in excess of £100,000 before there is any material benefit to the Company's creditors. CW advised that they believed that they did not expect a significant deal to be forthcoming and instead NWP would probably enter some form of insolvency procedure should proceedings be issued.

CW subsequently advised that the Joint Liquidators could attempt to sell the claim or obtain funding from litigation funders or commence legal proceedings, which would also require funding. It should be noted that the above offer from NWP was no longer an option.

The Joint Liquidators, together with CW, approached several litigation funders. Following review of the available records to support proceedings against NWP, the funders confirmed that they would not be prepared to purchase the claim or provide funding.

The Joint Liquidators have also approached the Company's secured creditor for funding. Following review of the position and prospect of any dividend to them, the secured creditor has confirmed that they would also not be prepared to fund the claim.

CW have advised that after considering the above, it appears that there would be no commercial sense in pursuing the claims.

Please note that on 5 May 2023, NWP was placed into Administration. Following the sale of NWP's goodwill and intellectual property in the Administration, a distribution was made to the Company under its fixed charge totalling £15,000. The Administrators' report advised that they do not anticipate that any further distributions will be made to the Company and no further action has been taken in this regard.

Unrealisable Assets

- 2.6 The balance of funds as detailed at 2.5 above have proved unrealisable.
- 3 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
- 3.1 A summary of the Joint Liquidators' final receipts and payments for the entire liquidation, including details of all receipts and payments for the period from 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023, is attached at Appendix A.
- 4 OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

Secured Creditors

4.1 MidCap Financial (Ireland) Limited ("MidCap") / Pangaea Two, LP ("Pangaea")

It should be noted that the Company traded as part of the Arlington Industries Group (CRN: 08741590) ("the Group"). MidCap held security in the form of a debenture incorporating a fixed charge over all of the Group's rights in any land or intellectual property and a floating charge over the assets of the Group by way of revolving and term loan facilities of up to £95,000,000. The debenture was created on 5 April 2019 and registered with Companies House on 15 April 2019.

In early 2021, MidCap confirmed that they have been repaid in full outside of the Liquidation. The Joint Liquidators have been advised that the debt formerly due to MidCap is now due to Pangaea.

Please note that the Joint Liquidators have not been a party to the deal between MidCap and Pangaea.

An amount of £9,885.93 has been distributed to Pangaea in the Period under their floating charge. No further distribution is available to the secured creditor.

**Preferential Creditors** 

- 4.2 As at the date of liquidation, no preferential claims were anticipated.
- 4.3 No claims have been received.

Prescribed Part

- 4.4 The Insolvency Act 1986 provides that, where a company has created a floating charge after 15 September 2003, a prescribed part of the company's net property must be made available to the unsecured creditors and not be distributed to the floating charge holder except in so far as it exceeds the amount required for the satisfaction of unsecured claims. The net property represents the assets available after the costs and expenses of the insolvency procedure and the discharge of preferential creditors and secondary preferential creditors' claims in full.
- 4.5 The Company does have an unsatisfied floating charge created on or after 15 September 2003.
- 4.6 Where the net property does not exceed £10,000 (the prescribed minimum), it may be considered that the cost of making a distribution is disproportionate to the benefits. As the net property has not exceeded £10,000 in this matter, no prescribed part was required to be set aside.

**Ordinary Unsecured Creditors** 

- 4.7 As at the date of liquidation, there were 3 ordinary unsecured creditors, with estimated claims totalling £19,692.886.
- 4.8 The funds realised have already been distributed or used or allocated for paying the expenses of the liquidation. As a result, there has been no dividend to the ordinary unsecured creditors.

- 4.9 Notice of no dividend was given to the Joint Liquidators' Progress Report dated 8 August 2023.
- 4.10 The Joint Liquidators have collated and acknowledged (where requested) the claims of the ordinary unsecured creditors, although, in view of the fact that there will be no distribution to this class of creditor, unsecured claims have not been formally agreed.

## 5 INVESTIGATIONS

5.1 As reported previously, our investigations did not identify any possible further realisations other than those mentioned in section 2 of this report. Nothing further has been brought to the attention of the Joint Liquidators during the Period that requires further investigation.

#### 6 JOINT LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION, EXPENSES AND CREDITORS' RIGHTS

#### Remuneration

- A fee of £10,000 plus VAT in respect of the preparation of the statement of affairs was approved by creditors on 15 July 2020. £10,000 plus VAT has been drawn.
- On 28 August 2020, creditors resolved by way of business by correspondence, that the Joint Liquidators' remuneration be payable by reference to time properly given by them and their staff in attending to matters arising in the liquidation as set out in the fees estimate dated 10 August 2020 (for an amount totalling £45,743.50). As set out in Appendix B, the Joint Liquidators' time costs from 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023 are £12,581.60, which represents 36.90 hours at an average hourly rate of £340.96. Total time costs from the commencement of the liquidation amount to £167,604.50.
- 6.3 At Appendix C is a detailed description of work undertaken in the period, attributable to each category of time costs and an explanation of why it was necessary for that work to be performed.
- At Appendix D is a comparison of categorised time costs incurred from the commencement of the liquidation to 12 December 2023, and the estimated time costs as per the original fees estimate. You will note that the categories of time costs incurred do exceed those as set out in the fees estimate. The areas where significant variance has occurred are detailed below.

## Statutory and Review

Significantly more time than initially anticipated has been incurred in this regard due to regular reviews of the case to ensure progression is as planned. Numerous internal meetings have been held by the Joint Liquidators and their staff to discuss asset realisations and the prospect of dividends to the secured and unsecured creditors. It should also be noted that, as part of our reviews, a considerable amount of time has been spent reviewing documents relating to the sale to the Purchaser and deferred consideration and advice provided by CWS and Bishops in this regard.

#### **Assets**

Significantly more time than initially anticipated has been incurred in this regard due to the complexity of the sale detailed 2.5. This involved spending significant time reviewing documentation and liaising with CWS through telephone conference meetings. Significant time has also been spent liaising with the Company's prior legal representatives in order to understand the disputes raised together with the discussions held prior to the sale.

A significant amount of time has been spent in meetings and correspondence with Bishops in relation to accounting advice required. The Joint Liquidators have spent additional time reviewing the possibility of further legal action and litigation funding.

During the Period, as detailed at 2.5 above, NWP was placed into Administration. The Joint Liquidators have been liaising with the Administrators of NWP regarding the distribution made and subsequent payment to the secured creditor in the matter.

Furthermore, it should be noted that given the complexities of the issues, higher grade members of staff have mainly worked on this case in this regard.

#### Liabilities

Further time than initially anticipated has been spent in this regard as a result of a Protective Award claim commenced against the Company by a former employee of an associated company.

## **Debenture Holder**

Further time than initially anticipated has been spent liaising with the debenture holder with regards to the progress of the Liquidation and payment under their floating charge.

#### Receipts and Payments

Further time than initially anticipated has been spent liaising with cashiers with regards to the estate expenses, payment of agents and the secured creditor.

#### Review

Please note that the time that falls under this category is in respect of the work carried out as detailed above at Statutory and Review. As part of our reviews, a considerable amount of time has been spent reviewing documents relating to the sale to the Purchaser and deferred consideration and advice provided by CWS and Bishops in this regard.

6.5 Fees totalling £17,230.79 plus VAT have been drawn, £4,230.79 plus VAT of which has been drawn during the period 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023. No further fees will be drawn in this matter.

#### Expenses

- A comparison of the Joint Liquidators' expenses from 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023 and the Joint Liquidators' statement of likely expenses is attached at Appendix E. To assist creditors' understanding of this information, it has been separated into the following two categories:
  - Standard Expenses: this category includes expenses payable by virtue of the nature of the liquidation process and / or payable in order to comply with legal or regulatory requirements.
  - Case Specific Expenses: this category includes expenses likely to be payable by the Joint Liquidators in carrying out their duties in dealing with issues arising in this particular liquidation. Included within this category are costs that are directly referable to the liquidation but are not paid to an independent third party (and which may include an element of allocated costs). These are known as 'category 2 expenses' and they may not be drawn without creditor approval.

With effect from 1 April 2021, the Joint Liquidators are also required to disclose to those responsible for approving our remuneration whether any payments we intend to make from an insolvency estate are to associates of Leonard Curtis. Payments to associates are subject to the same level of approval as the office holder's fees and category 2 expenses. Further details are included at Appendix E and E

- On 28 August 2020, creditors resolved that the Joint Liquidators be authorised to discharge category 2 expenses.
- 6.8 You will note that the expenses incurred have exceeded those anticipated within the original statement of expenses. The areas where significant variance has occurred are detailed below.

## Bishops and CWS

As detailed earlier, the Joint Liquidators have sought legal assistance from CWS and accounting advice from Bishops in respect of realising the deferred consideration and debtor balance as detailed in 2.3 and 2.5. It was uncertain at the time the initial statement of expense was made available whether legal assistance and accountancy advice would be required in this regard.

#### Postage

Due to a change in firm policy, postage costs have since been applied to the case.

#### **Document Hosting**

The variance occurred in this category of expense relates to the uploading of the progress report to the website to be available for creditors to view. Further costs have been incurred, this is generally due to the extended period of time that the case has remained open and longer than that initially anticipated.

**Bank Charges** 

#### Bond

Less bonding was required than anticipated.

#### Storage costs

The variance incurred in this category of expense has been incurred due to no Company Records having to be stored.

- 6.9 Attached at Appendix F is additional information in relation to the firm's policy on staffing, the use of subcontractors, expenses and details of current charge-out rates by staff grade. Please be aware that the firm's charge out rates have been amended with effect from 1 March 2021.
- 6.10 As reported previously, during the Liquidation the following professional advisors ("PA") and / or subcontractors ("S") have been instructed:

Name of Professional Advisor	PA/S	Service Provided	Basis of Fees
Clarke Willmott Solicitors	PA	Legal assistance with	Time costs
		asset realisations	
Bishops Chartered Accountants	PA	Accountancy advice	Fixed Fee of £2,000 plus VAT
		_	and 10% of any further
			realisations

You will note that the costs incurred in respect of the services incurred by Bishops Accountants are in line with those originally anticipated.

Please note Clarke Willmott have been paid £1,273.80 plus VAT with regard to their fees and £1,894.27 plus VAT in regard to their outstanding disbursements and it is understood their remaining costs have been written off.

## Creditors' Rights

- 6.11 Under Rule 18.9 of the Rules, within 21 days of receipt of this report, a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least five per cent in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or with the permission of the court, may request in writing that the Joint Liquidators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses which have been itemised in this report.
- 6.12 Under Rule 18.34 of the Rules, any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10 per cent in value of the unsecured creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may within eight weeks of receipt of the progress report that first reports the fee basis, the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question, make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the Joint Liquidators' remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the Joint Liquidators, as set out in the progress report, are excessive.
- 6.13 Unless the court orders otherwise, the costs of the application shall be paid by the applicant and are not payable as an expense of the liquidation.

## 7 OTHER MATTERS

Release from Office

7.1 The Joint Liquidators will have their release from office when they have sent to the Registrar of Companies a copy of the final account and a statement of whether any of the Company's creditors

objected to the Joint Liquidators' release. Such an objection to the Joint Liquidators' release must be received within eight weeks from the date of receipt of the notice attached at Appendix G. Please note, all objections should be made in writing and sent to Helen Duckworth at Leonard Curtis, 20 Roundhouse Court, South Rings Business Park, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6DA.

- 7.2 In the event that such an objection is received, the Joint Liquidators will apply to the Secretary of State for their release and their release date will be as determined by the Secretary of State.
- 7.3 For your information, Liquidation: A Guide for Creditors on Insolvency Practitioner Fees. Version 1 April 2021, which sets out the rights of creditors and other interested parties under the insolvency legislation, may be accessed via the following link:

https://www.r3.org.uk/technical-library/england-wales/technical-guidance/fees/

- 7.4 If you would prefer this to be sent to you in hard copy form, please contact Helen Duckworth of this office on 01772 646180.
- 7.5 Creditors are also encouraged to visit the following website, which provides a step by step guide designed to help creditors navigate through an insolvency process:

http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk

7.6 The Joint Liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics, which can be found at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics

**Data Protection** 

7.7 When submitting details of your claim in the liquidation, you may disclose personal data to the Joint Liquidators. The processing of personal data is regulated in the UK by the General Data Protection Regulation EU 2016/679 as supplemented by the Data Protection Act 2018, together with other laws which relate to privacy and electronic communications. The Joint Liquidators act as Data Controllers in respect of personal data they obtain in relation to this liquidation and are therefore responsible for complying with Data Protection Law in respect of any personal data they process. The Joint Liquidators' privacy notice, which is attached to this report at Appendix H, explains how they process your personal data. Terms used in this clause bear the same meanings as are ascribed to them in Data Protection Law.

Yours faithfully

MEGAN SINGLETON JOINT LIQUIDATOR

Mark Colman and Megan Singleton are authorised to act as insolvency practitioners in the UK by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales under office holder numbers 9721 and 22090, respectively

APPENDIX A

## SUMMARY OF JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FROM 15 JULY 2020 TO 12 DECEMBER 2023

	Estimated to realise £	Previous periods £	This period £	Cumulative £
FIXED CHARGE RECEIPTS				
None		<u>-</u>		<u> </u>
		-	-	-
FIXED CHARGE PAYMENTS				
None				
				<u> </u>
FIXED CHARGE DIVIDENDS				
None			-	
SURPLUS AS REGARDS FX CHG				-
FLOATING CHARGE RECEIPTS				
Interest	-	61.93	30.99	92.92
Deferred Consideration	-	15,000.00	-	15,000.00
Cash held by Leonard Curtis	29,167	29,166.67	-	29,166.67
	29,167	44,228.60	30.99	44,259.59
FLOATING CHARGE PAYMENTS				
Joint Liquidators' remuneration		(13,000.00)	(4,230.79)	(17,230.79)
Agent's Fees – Bishops Chartered Accountants		(2,000.00)	(1,500.00)	(3,500.00)
Disbursements CAT1		(374.60)	(17.09)	(391.69)
Statement of Affairs Fee – Leonard Curtis		(10,000.00)	-	(10,000.00)
Legal Fees – Clarke Willmott Solicitors		-	(1,273.80)	(1,273.80)
Legal Disbursements – Clarke Willmott Solicitors		-	(1,894.27)	(1,894.27)
Bank charges		-	(80.11)	(80.11)
Irrecoverable VAT			(3.00)	(3.00)
		(25,374.60)	(8,999.06)	(34,373.66)
FLOATING CHARGE DISTRIBUTIONS				
Pangaea Two, LP		-	-	(9,885.93)
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BALANCE IN HAND				NIL

APPENDIX B

## SUMMARY OF JOINT LIQUIDATORS' TIME COSTS FROM 15 JULY 2023 TO 12 DECEMBER 2023

	Di Units	rector Cost	Senior Units	Manager Cost	Ma Units	nager 1 Cost	Mar Units	nager 2 Cost	Admir Units	nistrator 1 Cost	Admini Units	strator 4 Cost	Total Units	Cost	Average Hourly Rate
		£		£		£		£		£		£		£	£
Statutory and Review	8	440.00	7	325.50	12	498.00	3	109.50	63	1,858.50	23	402.50	116	3,634.00	313.28
Receipts and Payments	-	-	-	-	19	788.50	11	401.50	55	1,622.50	3	52.50	88	2,865.00	325.57
Insurance	-	-	-	-	4	166.00		-	-	-	-	-	4	166.00	415.00
Assets	5	275.00		-	-	-	10	365.00		-	-	-	15	640.00	426.67
Liabilities	5	275.00	24	1,116.00	12	498.00		-	90	2,655.00	-	-	131	4,544.00	346.87
Debenture Holder	10	550.00		-	-	-	5	182.50		-	-	-	15	732.50	488.33
															_
Total	28	1,540.00	31	1,441.50	47	1,950.50	29	1,058.50	208	6,136.00	26	455.00	369	12,581.50	_
Average Hourly Rate (£)		550.00		465.00		415.00	: :	365.00		295.00		175.00		340.96	- -

All Units are 6 minutes

APPENDIX C

## DETAILED NARRATIVE OF WORK PERFORMED BY THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS AND THEIR STAFF IN THE PERIOD

## Statutory and Review

- Case reviews
- Review of case in preparation for closure
- Completion of closing procedures at the end of the case.

## Receipts and Payments

- Managing and payment of estate expenses.
- Dealing with payment to the floating charge holder Pangaea detailed at 4.1.
- Dealing with international payment issues to Pangaea.

## Insurance and Bonding

Review of the bonding.

#### **Assets**

 Liaising with Bishops Accountants & Clarke Willmott Solicitors regarding the deferred consideration & Debtors detailed at 2.3 & 2.5.

## Liabilities

- Preparation and submission of periodic progress reports to creditors.
- Liaising with the secured creditor.
- Review of the position regard the secured creditor.

#### Debenture Holder

• Liaising with the secured creditor.

APPENDIX D

## COMPARISON OF CATEGORISED TIME COSTS FROM 15 JULY 2020 TO 12 DECEMBER WITH ORIGINAL FEES ESTIMATE

		Fees Estimate			Incurred To Date		Variance
	Units	Cost	Average Hourly Rate	Units	Cost	Average Hourly Rate	Cost
	No	£	£	No	£	£	£
Statutory and Review	130	5,520.00	424.62	727	29,278.50	402.73	23,758.50
Receipts and Payments	56	1,651.00	294.82	170	5,793.00	340.76	4,142.00
Insurance	20	707.50	353.75	13	443.50	341.15	(264.00)
Assets	226	9,733.00	430.66	2,002	94,812.50	473.59	85,079.50
Liabilities	145	5,787.50	399.14	446	14,794.50	331.72	9,007.00
Debenture Holder	55	2,432.50	442.27	91	4,411.00	484.73	1,978.50
General Administration	183	6,524.50	356.53	193	6,428.00	333.06	(96.50)
Appointment	96	3,210.00	334.38	103	3,338.00	324.08	128.00
Planning and Strategy	-	-	-	19	997.50	525.00	997.50
Post Appt Creditor Decisions	130	5,147.50	395.96	94	3,507.00	373.09	(1,640.50)
Investigations	130	5,030.00	386.92	62	2,756.00	444.52	(2,274.00)
Review	-	-	-	19	1,045.00	550.00	1,045.00
Total	1,171	45,743.50	390.64	3,939	167,604.50	425.50	121,861.00

All Units are 6 minutes

APPENDIX E

## COMPARISON OF JOINT LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES FROM 15 JULY 2020 TO 12 DECEMBER 2023 STATEMENT OF LIKELY EXPENSES

## Standard Expenses

Туре	Charged by	Description	Estimated Amount £	Total Amount Incurred to Date £	Amount Incurred in the period 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023 £	Amount Paid £	Amount Unpaid £
AML Checks	Business Tax Centre	Electronic client verification	40.00	-	-	-	-
Bond Fee	AUA Insolvency Risk Services	Insurance bond	260.00	90.00	ı	90.00	-
Document Hosting	Pelstar Limited	Hosting of documents for creditors *	28.00	35.00	7.00	21.00	14.00
Software Licence Fee	Pelstar Limited	Case management system licence fee	87.00	87.00	-	87.00	-
Statutory Advertising	Courts Advertising Limited	Advertising	184.00	183.60	-	183.60	-
Storage Costs	Auctus Limited	Storage of books and records	10.00	-	-	-	-
Postage	Post Works	Online Postage	-	10.09	5.17	10.09	-
		Total standard expenses	609.00	405.69	12.17	391.69	14.00

<sup>\*</sup> Payment to Associate requiring specific creditor / committee approval if incurred and / or drawn between 1 April 2021 and 31 December 2022.

## Case Specific Expenses

Туре	Charged by	Description	Estimated Amount £	Total Amount Incurred to Date £	Amount Incurred in the period 15 July 2023 to 12 December 2023 £	Amount Paid £	Amount Unpaid £
Legal Fees	*Clarke Willmott Solicitors	Costs of appointed solicitors	-	1,273.80	1,273.80	1,273.80	-
Legal Disbursements	Clarke Willmott Solicitors	Legal Disbursements paid by CWS	-	1,894.27	1,894.27	1,894.27	-
Accountancy Fees	Bishops Accountants	Accountancy advice	-	3,500.00	1,500.00	3,500.00	-
Bank Charges	Virgin Bank	Payment to Pangaea	-	80.11	80.11	80.11	-
		Total case specific expenses	-	6,748.18	4,748.18	6,748.18	-

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that Clarke Willmott have been paid £1,273.80 plus VAT with regard to their fees and £1,894.27 plus VAT with regard to their disbursements and it is understood their remaining costs have been written off

APPENDIX F

#### LEONARD CURTIS POLICY REGARDING FEES AND EXPENSES

The following Leonard Curtis policy information is considered to be relevant to creditors:

#### Staff Allocation and Charge Out Rates

We take an objective and practical approach to each assignment which includes active director involvement from the outset. Other members of staff will be assigned on the basis of experience and specific skills to match the needs of the case. Time spent by secretarial and other support staff on specific case related matters, e.g. report despatching, is not charged.

Where it has been agreed by the appropriate body of creditors that the office holders' remuneration will be calculated by reference to the time properly given by the office holders and their staff in attending to matters as set out in a fees estimate, then such remuneration will be calculated in units of 6 minutes at the standard hourly rates given below. In cases of exceptional complexity or risk, the insolvency practitioner reserves the right to request and obtain authority from the appropriate body of creditors that their remuneration on such time shall be charged at the higher complex rates given below.

The following hourly charge out rates apply to all assignments undertaken by Leonard Curtis:

	6 Jan 201	4 onwards	1 Aug 201	L9 onwards	1 March 2	021 onwards
	Standard	Complex	Standard	Complex	Standard	Complex
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Director	450	562	525	656	550	688
Senior Manager	410	512	445	556	465	581
Manager 1	365	456	395	494	415	518
Manager 2	320	400	345	431	365	456
Administrator 1	260	325	280	350	295	369
Administrator 2	230	287	250	313	265	331
Administrator 3	210	262	230	288	245	306
Administrator 4	150	187	165	206	175	219
Support	0	0	0	0	0	0

In respect of assignments pre-dating 1 March 2022, office holders' remuneration may include costs incurred by the firm's in-house legal team, which may be used for non-contentious matters pertaining to the insolvency appointment.

## Use of Associates

We are required to disclose to those responsible for approving our remuneration whether any payments we intend to make from an insolvency estate are to Associates of Leonard Curtis (LC). The term "Associate" is defined in s435 of the Insolvency Act 1986, but we are also required to consider the substance or likely perception of any association between the appointed insolvency practitioner, their firm (LC) or an individual within the firm and the recipient of a payment. Payments to Associates are subject to the same level of approval as the office holder's fees and category 2 expenses (see table on the next page for further details).

Leonard Curtis Legal Limited (LC Legal) are part of the Leonard Curtis group; as such they are an "Associate" of LC. Where LC Legal are instructed to assist an office-holder in a particular matter from 1 March 2022 onwards, details of their proposed costs will be provided to creditors and specific approval for payments to associates will be sought.

Additionally, Pelstar Limited (Pelstar) provides insolvency case management software and document hosting facilities to LC. Until 31 December 2022, LC employed an individual who is married to a director of Pelstar, and as such, whilst not meeting the legal definition of "Associate", we were aware that there was a perceived association between LC and Pelstar and specific approval of their costs were sought accordingly. As this individual is no longer employed by LC, this is no longer required and Pelstar costs invoiced with effect from 1 January 2023 will be paid without prior approval.

#### Use of Professional Advisors

Details of any professional advisor(s) used will be given in reports to creditors. Unless otherwise indicated the fee arrangement for each is based on hourly charge out rates, which are reviewed on a regular basis, together with the recovery of relevant disbursements.

The choice of professional advisors is based around a number of factors including, but not restricted to, their expertise in a particular field, the complexity or otherwise of the assignment and their geographic location.

Use of Subcontractors

Where we subcontract out work that could otherwise be carried out by the office holder or his/her staff, this will be drawn to the attention of creditors in any report which incorporates a request for approval of the basis upon which remuneration may be charged. An explanation of why the work has been subcontracted out will also be provided.

#### Categorisation of Expenses

We are required to provide creditors with an estimate of the expenses we expect to be incurred in respect of an assignment and report back to them on actual expenses incurred and paid in our periodic progress reports. There are two broad categories of expenses: standard expenses and case specific expenses. These are explained in more detail below:

a) Standard Expenses – this category includes expenses which are payable in order to comply with legal or regulatory requirements and therefore will generally be incurred on every case. They will include:

Туре	Description	Amount
AML checks via Smartsearch	Electronic client verification in compliance with the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017	£5.00 plus VAT per search. Note that with effect from 1 April 2021, these costs are no longer recovered from the estate.
Bond / Bordereau fee via AUA Insolvency Services	Insurance bond to protect the insolvent entity against any losses suffered as a result of the fraud or dishonesty of the IP	£10.00 to £1,200.00 dependent on value of assets within case
Company searches via Companies House	Extraction of company information from Companies House	£1.00 per document unless document can be accessed via the free service
Document hosting via Pelstar Limited	Hosting of documents via a secure portal for access by creditors/shareholders. Costs are charged per upload plus VAT and are generally dependent upon the number of creditors. The costs are commensurate with those charged by other providers of comparable services.	Type         First 100         Each addtl 10           ADM         £14.00         £1.40           CVL         £7.00         £0.70           MVL         £7.00         £0.70           CPL         £7.00         £0.70           CVA         £10.00         £1.00           BKY         £10.00         £1.00           IVA         £10 pa or £25 for life of case
Software Licence fee hosting via Pelstar Limited	Payable to software provider for use of case management system. The costs are commensurate with those charged by other providers of comparable services.	£87.00 plus VAT per case
Postage via Royal Mail or Postworks	Cost of posting documents which are directly attributable to a case to external recipients	Calculated in accordance with applicable supplier rates and dependent on the number of pages and whether the document is sent by international, first or second class post.
Post re-direction via Royal Mail	Redirection of post from Company's premises to office-holders' address	0-3 months £216.00 3-6 months £321.00 6-12 months £519.00
Statutory advertising via advertising agents	Advertising of appointment, notice of meetings etc London Gazette - Other	£91.80 - £102.00 plus VAT per advert. Dependent upon advert and publication
Storage costs	Costs of storage of case books and records	£5.07 plus VAT per box per annum plus handling charges

b) Case-specific expenses – this category includes expenses (other than office-holders' fees) which are likely to be payable on every case but which will vary depending upon the nature and complexity of the case and the assets to be realised. They will include but may not be restricted to:

Туре	Description	Amount
Agents' fees	Costs of appointed agents in valuing and realising assets	Time costs plus disbursements plus VAT
Debt Collection fees	Costs of appointed debt collectors in realising debts	Generally agreed as a % of realisations plus disbursements plus VAT
Legal fees	Costs of appointed solicitors. Will generally comprise advice on validity of appointment, drafting of sale contracts, advice on retention of	Time costs plus disbursements plus VAT

	title issues and advice on any reviewable transactions. Where the solicitor appointed is LC Legal, any fee payable for work completed is classed as a payment to an associate and requires specific creditor / committee approval as detailed above.	
Other expenses	See Category 1 and 2 expenses notes below	See Category 1 and 2 expenses notes below

Please note that expenses are generally categorised as Category 1 or Category 2:

- a) Category 1 expenses: These are payments to independent third parties providing the service to which the expense relate. These may include, for example, advertising, external room hire, storage costs, postage costs, telephone charges, travel expenses (excl. mileage), and equivalent costs reimbursed to the office holder or his or her staff. Category 1 expenses may be paid without prior approval.
- b) Category 2 expenses: These are costs that are directly referable to the appointment in question, but not paid to an independent third party. They may include costs which have an element of shared cost. The following items of expenditure are recharged on this basis and are charged at HMRC approved rates:
  - Business mileage: 45p per mile

Payments to Associates (as defined above) are categorised by LC in the same way as Category 2 expenses. Category 2 expenses and payments to Associates may only be drawn if they have been approved in the same manner as an office holder's remuneration.

APPENDIX G

106(1) INSOLVENCY ACT 1986 R6.28 INSOLVENCY (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2016

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT PRIOR TO DISSOLUTION

ARLINGTON AEROSPACE LIMITED - IN CREDITORS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION ("THE COMPANY")

FORMERLY: ARLINGTON TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED

COMPANY NUMBER: 06353995

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

It appears to Mark Colman (IP Number 9721) and Megan Singleton (IP Number 22090) of Leonard Curtis, 20 Roundhouse Court, South Rings Business Park, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6DA ("the Joint Liquidators") that the Company's affairs are fully wound up.

Prescribed Period:	Is the period ending at the later of eight weeks after delivery of this notice or, if any request for information is made by the creditors or any application to the court is made with regard to remuneration	
	and expenses, when that request or application is finally determined.	

Any creditor may object to the release of the Joint Liquidators by giving notice, in writing, to the Joint Liquidators before the end of the Prescribed Period as detailed above. In the event that such an objection is received, the Joint Liquidators will apply to the Secretary of State for their release and their release date will be as determined by the Secretary of State.

Under Rule 18.9 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 ("the Rules"), within 21 days of receipt of the Joint Liquidators' Final Account, a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least five per cent in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or with the permission of the court, may request, in writing, that the joint liquidators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses which have been itemised in their report.

Under Rule 18.34 of the Rules, any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10 per cent in value of the unsecured creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may within eight weeks of receipt of the progress report that first reports the fee basis, the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question, make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the joint liquidators' remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the joint liquidators, as set out in the progress report, are excessive

The Joint Liquidators will vacate office and be released under Sections 171(7) and 173(2)(e) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended) respectively on delivering a copy of the final account to the Registrar of Companies unless any of the Company's creditors object to their release.

Signed:

Dated: 12 December 2023

MEGAN SINGLETON JOINT LIQUIDATOR

Leonard Curtis, 20 Roundhouse Court, South Rings Business Park, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6DA 01772 646180

APPENDIX H

## LEONARD CURTIS

## **Privacy Notice For Creditors**

Information we collect and hold about you

By requesting details of your claim in this insolvency, we may collect Personal Data from you, particularly if you are a consumer creditor, a sole trader or are lodging a claim in your personal capacity.

Personal Data is information relating to a living individual. Whenever Personal Data is processed, collected, recorded, stored or disposed of it must be done within the terms of the General Data Protection Regulation ("the GDPR"). Examples of Personal Data include but may not be limited to your name, address, telephone number and email contact details.

If you do not provide us with the information we require, this may adversely affect our ability to deal with your claim, but we would ask you not to submit more Personal Data than we request from you.

Legal justification for processing your Personal Data

The processing of your Personal Data by us is necessary to enable us to comply with legal obligations under the Insolvency Act 1986 and associated legislation which we are subject to as Insolvency Practitioners.

How we use your information

All information you supply to us is required to enable us to comply with our duties under the Insolvency Act 1986 and associated legislation. It will be used to enable us to assess the extent of the insolvent entity's liabilities, to allow you to vote on any decision procedures, to enable us to communicate with you, to process your claim and to pay any dividends which may be due to you from the insolvent estate.

Who we share your information with

We may be required to share some of your Personal Data with other creditors. The data which will be shared with other creditors will be limited to that specifically required to be disclosed under insolvency legislation.

We may share some of your information with our Data Processors. Data Processors include solicitors, accountants and employment law specialists who assist us with our duties where required. We will only share your information with our Data Processors if we require their specialist advice. All of our Data Processors are subject to written contracts with us to ensure that your Personal Data is processed only in accordance with the GDPR.

How long will we hold your Personal Data for?

We will need to hold your Personal Data for a period of time after the insolvency has been concluded. This is to enable us to deal with any queries which might arise. Our Records Management Policy requires us to destroy our physical files 6 years after closure of the case. Electronic data files will be removed from our Case Management System 6 years after conclusion of the case but may be held on our server for a longer period of time but with restricted access.

Your rights in respect of your Personal Data

You have the right to request access to your Personal Data and to require it to be corrected or erased. You also have the right to request a restriction in the way we process your Personal Data or to object to its processing. You should be aware however that we may not be able to comply with your request if this would affect our ability to comply with our legal obligations.

You have the right to Data Portability. This is a right to have the Personal Data we hold about you to be provided to you in a commonly used and machine-readable format so that you can transfer that Data to another organisation in a way that is not too onerous to upload the Data.

Your right to complain

You have the right to be confident that we are handling your Personal Data responsibly and in line with good practice. If you have a concern about the way we are handling your Personal Data you should contact our Privacy Manager in the first instance.

If you are unable to resolve your concerns with us, you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioners' Office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK6 5AF or on 0303 123 1113.

Contacting us

If you have any questions relating to the processing of your Personal Data, please write to our Privacy Manager at Leonard Curtis, Riverside House, Irwell Street, Manchester M3 5EN. Alternatively they can be contacted by email: privacy@leonardcurtis.co.uk

Data Controller: Leonard Curtis