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| Company name in full | Anthony Alex & Co Ltd      | bold black capitals.                                       |
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| 2                    | Liquidator's name          |  |
| Full forename(s)     | Andrew M                   |  |
| Surname              | Bland                      |  |
| 3                    | Liquidator's address       | **   |
| Building name/number | 41 Greek Street            |  |
| Street               | Stockport                  |  |
|                      |                            |  |
| Post town            | Cheshire                   | . <del></del>  |
| County/Region        |                            | :  |
| Postcode             | SK38AX                     |  |
| Country              |                            |  |
| 4                    | Liquidator's name <b>o</b> |  |
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| Contact name  | Andrew M Bland       |  |  |
|---------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Company name  | DMC Recovery Limited |  |  |
|               |                      |  |  |
| Address       | 41 Greek Street      |  |  |
|               | Stockport            |  |  |
|               |                      |  |  |
| Post town     | Cheshire             |  |  |
| County/Region |                      |  |  |
| Postcode      | S K 3 8 A X          |  |  |
| Country       | ·                    |  |  |
| DX            |                      |  |  |
| Telephone     | 0161 474 0920        |  |  |

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- ☐ You have signed the form.

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# Liquidator's Annual Progress Report to Creditors & Members

Anthony Alex & Co Ltd - In Liquidation

10 May 2019

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#### 1 Introduction and Statutory Information

- 1.1 I, Andrew M Bland of DMC Recovery Limited, 41 Greek Street, Stockport, Cheshire, SK3 8AX, was appointed as Liquidator of Anthony Alex & Co Ltd (the Company) on 14 March 2017. This progress report covers the period from 14 March 2018 to 13 March 2019 (the Period) and should be read in conjunction with any previous progress reports which have been issued.
- 1.2 Information about the way that we will use, and store personal data on insolvency appointments can be found at www.dmc-recovery.co.uk/privacy-policy. If you are unable to download this, please contact us and a hard copy will be provided to you.
- 1.3 The principal trading address of the Company was 118 Bury New Road, Whitefield, Manchester, M45 6AD.
- 1.4 The registered office of the Company has been changed to 41 Greek Street, Stockport, Cheshire, SK3 8AX and its registered number is 06894347.

#### 2 Progress of the Liquidation

- 2.1 This section of the report provides creditors with an update on the progress made in the liquidation during the Period and an explanation of the work done by the Liquidator and his staff.
- 2.2 At Appendix A is my Receipts and Payments Account for the Period and a cumulative Receipts and Payments Account for the period from the date of my appointment as Liquidator to the end of the Period.
- 2.3 During this period I have complied with my statutory administrative duties under the insolvency Act 1986 and a statutory annual report has been provided to creditors and the statutory file has been maintained.
- 2.4 I have confirmed that there is no income due from Jonathan Dines & Co who acquired the rights to the fee income generated from a small number of property listings
- 2.5 I have submitted the company VAT returns and applied to deregister the company for VAT in preparation for the submission of the final Vat return.
- 2.6 I have advertised for claims from unsecured creditors, in preparation for a distribution to preferential and unsecured creditors.

#### Administration (including statutory compliance & reporting)

- 2.7 An office holder must comply with certain statutory obligations under the Insolvency Act 1986 and other related legislation. Details about the work I anticipated would need to be done in this area was outlined to creditors in my initial fees estimate/information.
- 2.8 Where the costs of statutory compliance work or reporting to creditors exceeds the initial estimate, it will usually be because the duration of the case has taken longer than anticipated, possibly due to protracted asset realisations, which have in turn placed a further statutory reporting requirement on the Liquidator.
- 2.9 As noted in my initial fees estimate/information, this work will not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors, but is required on every case by statute.

#### Realisation of Assets

- 2.10 All assets detailed in the company's original Statement of Affairs together with actual realisations made is shown in the attached cumulative receipts and payments account for the entire period.
- 2.11 No assets have been realised during this period.
- 2.12 It is considered that the work the Liquidator and his staff have undertaken to date will bring a financial benefit to creditors. This may be a distribution to secured creditors of the Company only (from which a Prescribed Part fund may be derived for the benefit of unsecured creditors) or may, depending on realisations and the extent of any 3<sup>rd</sup> party security, result in a distribution to the preferential and unsecured creditors of the Company.

#### Creditors (claims and distributions)

- 2.13 Further information on the anticipated outcome for creditors in this case can be found at section 3 of this report. A Liquidator is not only required to deal with correspondence and claims from unsecured creditors (which may include retention of title claims), but also those of any secured and preferential creditors of the Company. This may involve separate reporting to any secured creditor and dealing with distributions from asset realisations caught under their security, most typically a debenture.
- 2.14 Claims from preferential creditors typically involve employee claims and payments made on behalf of the Company by the Redundancy Payments Service following dismissal.
- 2.15 The above work will not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors generally, however a Liquidator is required by statute to undertake this work. Similarly, if a distribution is to be paid to any class of creditor, work will be required to agree those claims and process the dividend payments to each relevant class of creditor. The more creditors a company has, the more time and cost will be involved by the Liquidator in dealing with those claims.
- 2.16 I consider the following matters worth noting in my report to creditors at this stage:
  - There are approximately 19 unsecured creditor claims in this case with a value per the director(s) statement of affairs of £14,998.
  - I anticipate claims from preferential creditors totalling £5,741.69
  - Significant time has been spent negotiating and realising the book debts and work in progress in this matter.
  - I have advertised to for claims from unsecured creditors in the London Gazette in order to prepare for a nominal distribution.

#### Investigations

- 2.17 You may recall from my first progress report to creditors that some of the work the Liquidator is required to undertake is to comply with legislation such as the Company Directors' Disqualification Act 1986 (CDDA 1986) and Statement of Insolvency Practice 2 Investigations by Office Holders in Administration and Insolvent Liquidations and may not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors, unless these investigations reveal potential asset recoveries that the Liquidator can pursue for the benefit of creditors.
- 2.18 My report on the conduct of the Directors of the Company to the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy under the CDDA 1986 was submitted during the first year of the liquidation and is confidential.

#### Matters still to be dealt with

2.19 Matters outstanding are, a distribution in full to preferential creditors, and a distribution of the balance of funds after costs, to unsecured creditors. The distributions were initially declared in January 2019. However, the distribution was delayed due to outstand Vat returns. It is my intention to settle the distribution upon receipt of the final VAT reclaimed in this matter.

#### 3 Creditors

#### Preferential Creditors

3.2 A summary of preferential claims is detailed below.

| Preferential claim   | Agreed Claim<br>£ | Statement of<br>Affairs Claim<br>£ | Dividend paid<br>p in the £1       |
|--|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Department for Business,<br>Energy & Industrial<br>Strategy (BEIS) relating to<br>Employee claims (Total<br>number of claims = 7]) | £5,741.69         | £6,765.00                          | A dividend of 100P/£ is to be paid |

3.3 I would confirm a dividend of 100p/£ is to be paid to the Redundancy Payment Service in respect of employee preferential claims submitted upon receipt of the final VAT refund in this matter.

#### **Unsecured Creditors**

- I have received claims totalling £13,580 from 10 unsecured creditors which are broadly in line with those stated in the statement of affairs. I have received claims in the sum of £720 claimed by Newsquest Media Group, and £163.20 claimed by J Life, neither of which were listed in the statement of affairs.
- I have received a claim from HM Revenue and customs in the sum of £70,373.22 which is £11,545 higher than stated in the statement of affairs due to the omission of the Corporation Tax liability in the statement of affairs.
- 3.6 The redundancy Payments Service has submitted an unsecured claim in respect of employees unsecured claims processed by them in the sum of £21,895.75 which is £3,895.75 higher than that anticipated in the statement of affairs.
- 3.7 I have yet to receive claims from 9 creditors whose debts total £3,449.00 as per the Company's statement of affairs.
- 3.8 The Company did not grant any floating charges to a secured creditor. Accordingly, there is no requirement to create a fund out of the Company's net floating charge property for unsecured creditors (known as the Prescribed Part), which only applies to charges created

#### Notice of Intended Dividend

- 3.9 Upon receipt of the company VAT I shall have funds of approximately £1,682.86 in hand. It is my intention to pay a first dividend to non-preferential creditors within the next two months and I enclose for your attention a Notice of Intended Dividend and a Proof of Debt form for those creditors who have still to register their claim.
- 3.10 If you have not already submitted a Proof of Debt in the liquidation can you please complete and return the enclosed form and return it to me before 7 June 2019 otherwise you will be excluded from any dividend payable after that date.

#### 4 Liquidator's Remuneration

- 4.1 The creditors approved my pre appointment fee of £6,000 plus VAT and disbursements. This fee has been drawn in full.
- 4.2 The Creditors approved that the basis of the Liquidator's remuneration be fixed as a set amount of £8,000 plus Vat. My fees Information was originally provided to creditors when the basis of my remuneration was approved and was based on information available to me at that time.
- 4.3 The Liquidator has drawn £8,000 against the total set fee agreed of £8,000 approved by creditors.

#### 5 Creditors' Rights

- 5.1 Within 21 days of the receipt of this report, a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors) may request in writing that the Liquidator provide further information about his remuneration or expenses which have been itemised in this progress report.
- 5.2 Any secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors) may within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the Liquidator's remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the Liquidator, as set out in this progress report, are excessive.

#### 6 Next Report

- 6.1 I am required to provide a further report on the progress of the liquidation within two months of the next anniversary of the liquidation, unless I have concluded matters prior to this, in which case I will write to all creditors with my final account.
- 6.2 If you have any queries in relation to the contents of this report, I can be contacted by telephone on 0161 474 0920 or by email at ceditors@dmcrecovery.co.uk

Yours faithfully

Andrew M Bland Liquidator

Andrew M Bland is authorised to act as an insolvency practitioners in the UK by ICAEW under office holder number 9472.

# Anthony Alex & Co Ltd (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Summary of Receipts and Payments

| RECEIPTS                                | of Affairs  | From 14/03/2017<br>To 13/03/2018 | From 14/03/2018<br>To 13/03/2019 | Total            |
|---|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
|   | (£)         | (£)                              | (£)                              | (£)              |
| Furniture & Equipment                   | 225.00      | 240.00                           | 0.00                             | 240.00           |
| Work in Progress                        | 12,000.00   | 21,408.00                        | 0.00                             | 21.408.00        |
| Book Debts                              | 5,000.00    | 5,985.00                         | 0.00                             | 5,985.00         |
| Cash at Bank                            | 377.32      | 576.27                           | 0.00                             | 576.27           |
| Cash in Client Account                  | 2.455.00    | 2,455.00                         | 0.00                             | 2,455.00         |
| Directors Loan Account                  | 1.00        | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| Sundry Receipt                          |             | 78.00                            | 0.00                             | 78.00            |
| Vat Payable                             |             | 48.00                            | 0.00                             | 48.00            |
|   |             | 30,790.27                        | 0.00                             | 30,790.27        |
| PAYMENTS                                |             |                                  |                                  |                  |
| Sundry Receipt                          |             | 78.00                            | 0.00                             | 78.00            |
| Specific Bond                           |             | 100.00                           | 0.00                             | 100.00           |
| Preparation of S. of A.                 |             | 6,000.00                         | 0.00                             | 6,000.00         |
| Liquidators' Fees                       |             | 1,500.00                         | 6,500.00                         | 8,000.00         |
| Agents/Valuers Fees                     |             | 330.00                           | 0.00                             | 330.00           |
| Commission on Properties (Re Agreement) |             | 8,195.83                         | 0.00                             | 8,195.83         |
| Re-Direction of Mail                    |             | 275.00                           | 0.00                             | 275.00           |
| Statutory Advertising                   |             | 210.60                           | 0.00                             | 210.60           |
| Bank Charges                            |             | 41.94                            | 5.00                             | 46.94            |
| Employee Arrears/Hol Pay                | (6,765.00)  | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| Trade & Expense Creditors               | (14,998.00) | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| Employees                               | (18,000.00) | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| HMRC PAYE and Ni                        | (5,528.00)  | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| HMRC VAT                                | (53,300.00) | 0.00                             | 0.00                             | 0.00             |
| Ordinary Shareholders<br>Vat Receivable | (1.00)      | 0.00<br>1.608.12                 | 0.00<br>1.300.00                 | 0.00<br>2,908.12 |
| vat Receivable                          |             | 1,505.12                         | 1,300.00                         | 2,908.12         |
|   |             | 18,339.49                        | 7,805.00                         | 26,144.49        |
| Net Receipts/(Payments)                 |             | 12,450.78                        | (7,805.00)                       | 4,645.78         |
| MADE UP AS FOLLOWS                      |             |                                  |                                  |                  |
|   |             |                                  |                                  |                  |
| Bank 1 Current                          |             | 12,725.78                        | (8,080.00)                       | 4,645.78         |
| Office                                  |             | (275.00)                         | 275.00                           | 0.00             |
|   |             | 12,450.78                        | (7,805.00)                       | 4,645.78         |

Andrew M Bland Liquidator

#### Appendix B

#### Additional Information in Relation to the Liquidator's Fees, Expenses & Disbursements

#### 1 Staff Allocation and the Use of Sub-Contractors

- 1.1 The general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case.
- 1.2 The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a Partner, a Manager, and an Administrator or Assistant. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and the experience requirements of the assignment.
- 1.3 From time to time DMC Recovery uses the services of subcontractors to supplement the work of in–house staff. The work of such staff will be charged at the appropriate charge out rate.

#### **Professional Advisors**

1.4 On this assignment we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

| Name of Professional Advisor                            | Basis of Fee Arrangement      |
|---|-------------------------------|
| JPS Chartered Surveyors (valuation and disposal advice) | Hourly rate and disbursements |

1.5 Our choice was based on our perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of our fee arrangement with them.

### 2 Liquidator's Expenses & Disbursements

2.1 The estimate of expenses (including disbursements) which were anticipated at the outset of the liquidation was provided to creditors when the basis of my fees were approved, a copy of which is set out below:

| Expense   | Estimated cost |
|---|----------------|
| Agents' costs                                   | 1,000          |
| Solicitors' costs                               |                |
| Insurance                                       |                |
| Statutory advertising                           | 206            |
| Specific penalty bond                           | 40             |
| External storage of company's books and records |                |
| External meeting room hire                      | 52             |
| Re-direction of the Company's mail              |                |
| Case related travel & subsistence               |                |
| Category 2 disbursements charged by the firm:   |                |
| Business mileage                                |                |

#### Current position of Liquidator's expenses

2.2 An analysis of the expenses paid to the date of this report, together with those incurred but not paid at the date of this report is provided below:

|   | Paid in prior period £ | Paid in the<br>period covered<br>by this report £ | Incurred but not paid to date £ | Total<br>anticipated cost<br>£ |
|---|------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Agents' costs                             | 330.00                 |   |                                 | 330.00                         |
| Solicitors' costs                         |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| Insurance                                 |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| Statutory advertising                     | 210.60                 |   |                                 | 210.60                         |
| Specific penalty bond                     | 100.00                 |   |                                 | 100.00                         |
| External storage of books & records       |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| External meeting room hire                |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| Re-direction of the Company's mail        |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| Case related travel & subsistence         |                        |   |                                 |                                |
| Category 2 disbursements Business mileage |                        |   |                                 |                                |

- 2.3 Category 1 disbursements do not require approval by creditors. The type of disbursements that may be charged as a Category 1 disbursement to a case generally comprise of external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and external printing, room hire and document storage. Also chargeable will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case. These disbursements are included in the tables of expenses above.
- 2.4 Category 2 disbursements do require approval from creditors. These are costs which are directly referable to the appointment in question but are not payments which are made to an independent third party and may include shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis such as internal room hire, document storage or business mileage. Details of Category 2 disbursements charged by this firm (where appropriate) were provided at the time the Liquidator's fees were approved by creditors. Any Category 2 disbursements incurred are specifically highlighted in the tables of expenses above.

#### **ANTHONY ALEX & COLTD - IN LIQUIDATION**

## AND THE INSOLVENCY (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2016

#### **NOTICE OF INTENDED DIVIDEND UNDER R14.29**

Notice is hereby given that the Liquidator proposes to make a first and final distribution to the preferential and unsecured creditors of the Company.

The last date for proving debts against the Company is 7 June 2019, by which date claims must be sent to the undersigned, of DMC Recovery Limited, 41 Greek Street, Stockport, Cheshire, SK3 8AX, the Liquidator of the Company. The Liquidator intends declaring a final dividend within two months of the last date for proving claims.

Finally, the Liquidator is required to state the value of the fund (the Prescribed Part) available to unsecured creditors from the Company's net property under s176A of the Insolvency Act 1986. I would confirm that the value of the fund in this matter is nil. I would confirm that there are no relevant floating charges over the assets of the Company and therefore I am not required to set aside this fund for the benefit of the unsecured creditors. The distribution is being made from the available funds other than the Prescribed Part.

DATED THIS 10TH DAY OF MAY 2019

Andrew M Bland

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Liquidator