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## Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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### 1 Company details

Company number 0 8 0 2 3 2 0 5  
Company name in full Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd

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Please complete in typescript or in  
bold black capitals.

### 2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Clive  
Surname Morris

### 3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number Heskin Hall Farm  
Street Wood Lane  
Post town Heskin  
County/Region Preston  
Postcode P R 7 5 P A  
Country

### 4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s)  
Surname

① Other liquidator  
Use this section to tell us about  
another liquidator.

### 5 Liquidator's address ②

Building name/number  
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**6** Period of progress report

From date	<sup>d</sup> 2	<sup>d</sup> 6	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 1	
To date	<sup>d</sup> 2	<sup>d</sup> 5	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 2	

**7** Progress report

☒ The progress report is attached

**8** Sign and date

Liquidator's signature	Signature <b>X</b> 	<b>X</b>							
Signature date	<sup>d</sup> 0	<sup>d</sup> 9	<sup>m</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 3	

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Contact name **Matt Hamnett**Company name **Marshall Peters**Address **Heskin Hall Farm****Wood Lane**Post town **Heskin**County/Region **Preston**Postcode **P R 7 5 P A**

Country

DX

Telephone **01257 452021****Checklist**

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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.

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**Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd**  
**(In Liquidation)**  
**Liquidator's Summary of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs £		From 26/11/2021 To 25/11/2022 £	From 26/11/2015 To 25/11/2022 £
	ASSET REALISATIONS		
	Bank Interest Net of Tax	NIL	4.05
NIL	Book Debts	NIL	1,000.00
20,568.00	Cash at Bank	NIL	23,077.63
	Miscellaneous Refund	NIL	197.83
	Settlement of Claims - Directors	NIL	24,000.00
NIL	Tangible Assets	NIL	NIL
		NIL	48,279.51
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Debt Collection Fees	NIL	833.33
	Legal Disbursements	NIL	114.00
	Legal Fees - Settlement Claim	NIL	9,166.64
	Office Holders Expenses	NIL	696.90
	Office Holders Fees	NIL	27,976.84
	Preparation of S. of A.	NIL	7,500.00
		NIL	(46,287.71)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(24,000.00)	HM Revenue & Customs - VAT	NIL	NIL
(1,067,360.00)	Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS		
(100,000.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
(1,170,792.00)		NIL	1,991.80
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Bank 1 Current		1,547.24
	Vat Receivable		444.56
			1,991.80

## **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

**Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd - IN CREDITORS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

**Assets**

<b>Asset</b>	<b>Estimated to realise per Statement of Affairs (£)</b>	<b>Realisations to date (£)</b>	<b>Anticipated future realisations (£)</b>	<b>Total anticipated realisations (£)</b>
Book Debts	Nil	1,000.00	Nil	1,000.00
Cash at Bank	20,568.00	23,077.63	Nil	23,077.63
Settlement of Claims - Directors	N/A	24,000.00	Uncertain	Uncertain
Bank Interest Net of Tax	N/A	4.05	Nil	4.05
Miscellaneous Refund	N/A	197.83	Nil	197.83

**Expenses**

<b>Expense</b>	<b>Amount per fees and expenses estimates (£)</b>	<b>Fees and expenses charged to date (£)</b>	<b>Fees and expenses incurred to date (£)</b>	<b>Anticipated further expense to closure (£)</b>	<b>Total anticipated fees and expenses to be incurred (£)</b>
Preparation of S. of A.	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	Nil	7,500.00
Liquidator's fees	30,000.00	27,976.84	54,611.50	Uncertain	Uncertain
Liquidator's expenses	565.00	696.90	696.90	Uncertain	Uncertain
Agents' fees	1000.00	833.33	833.33	Nil	833.33
Legal fees and expenses	5,000.00	9,280.64	9,280.64	Uncertain	13,500.00

**Dividend prospects**

<b>Creditor class</b>	<b>Distribution / dividend paid to date</b>	<b>Anticipated distribution / dividend, based upon the above</b>
Secured creditor	N/A	N/A
Preferential creditors	N/A	N/A
Unsecured creditors	Nil	Uncertain

**Summary of key issues outstanding**

The Liquidator is considering further legal actions in regards to a settlement of antecedent transactions

**Closure**

Due to the issues outstanding as listed above it is difficult to estimate the timing of the closure of the liquidation.

## ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

### Statutory Information

Statutory information may be found at Appendix I.

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

### Reporting

The Liquidator has met his statutory and regulatory duties to report to creditors, as listed below. In consideration of the need for transparency and engagement with creditors, care has been taken to ensure that reports and other communications with creditors have provided useful details of the strategies pursued and the outcomes anticipated.

During the Review Period, the following key documents have been issued:

- This progress report;

### Other Administration Tasks

During the Review Period, the following material tasks in this category were carried out:

- Case reviews;
- Bond reviews;
- Liaising with solicitors with regards to finalising and implementing settlement agreement
- Monitoring of collection of settlement monies

## ENQUIRES AND INVESTIGATIONS

During the Review Period, the Liquidator carried out a further review of the Company's affairs in the period prior to appointment to assist in the solicitors enquiries into the antecedent transaction. This included seeking information and explanations from the Directors; making enquiries of the Company's accountants; reviewing information received from creditors; and collecting and examining the Company's bank statements, accounts and other records.

### Settlement of Claim

As advised in the previous Annual Reports, the Directors agreed to a settlement with regards to antecedent transactions that were challenged by the Liquidator. Forbes Solicitors were appointed and the agreement was finalised and signed on 5 March 2019 for the collection of £75,000 to be paid over the following 11 months, with a final payment expected in February 2020. A breakdown of payments is as follows:

1. 11 payments of £2,000 to commence on or before 15 February 2019 and paid on the first day of the subsequent 10 months;
2. The amount of £28,000 to be paid on or before 31 January 2020; and
3. The amount of £25,000 to be paid on or before 1 February 2020 (as to the balance then due) if not already paid in full by that date.



To date, £24,000 has been realised in relation to this settlement.

Please note that the Directors have now defaulted on terms 2 and 3 of the agreement and the Liquidator is now considering further legal action.

## **REALISATION OF ASSETS**

### **Transactions with Connected Parties**

Since the Liquidator's appointment a sale to a connected party has not occurred.

No assets have been realised in the Review Period.

## **CREDITORS**

Irrespective of whether sufficient realisations are achieved to pay a dividend to creditors, the Liquidator has had to carry out key tasks which are detailed in the list at Appendix III. The following sections explain the anticipated outcomes to creditors and any distributions paid.

### **Secured Creditors**

The Company has not granted any charges over its assets.

### **Preferential Creditors**

There are no preferential creditors in this matter.

### **Unsecured creditors**

No further claims have been received in the Review Period.

HMRC was shown to be owed £24,000. A claim has not yet been received. The trade and expense creditors as per the statement of affairs totalled £1,067,360. To date we have received 9 claims totalling £680,173.

### **Dividend prospects**

It is not anticipated at this stage that there will be a distribution to unsecured creditors. This may change dependant on the settlement agreement being finalised and payments being received under its terms and having first taken into account the legal costs and expenses of the liquidation.

## **FEES AND EXPENSES**

### **Pre-Appointment Costs**

The creditors authorised the fee of £7,500 for assisting the directors in calling the relevant meetings and with preparing the Statement of Affairs on 26 November 2015.

### **The Liquidator's fees**

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

The basis of the Liquidator's fees was approved by creditors on 26 November 2015 in accordance with the following resolution:

*"Marshall Peters Limited be able to draw a fee of £7,500 plus VAT and disbursements for professional costs associated with the calling of the creditors meeting;  
Marshall Peters Limited be reimbursed for all properly incurred category 1 disbursements and category 2 disbursements;  
The Liquidator be able to appoint solicitors of his choice;  
The Liquidator be able to appoint agents of his choice;  
The Liquidator's fees be charged on a time cost basis are estimated to total no more than £30,000 as disclosed in my initial letter to creditors"*

The time costs for the Review Period total £1,850.00, representing 7.00 hours at an average hourly rate of £264.29. No fees have been drawn in the Review Period. The time costs for the period are detailed at Appendix III. A narrative on the works carried out in this period is detailed in Appendix IV.

The total time costs during the Cumulative Period between amount to £54,611.50 representing 270.90 hours at an average hourly rate of £201.59 and a comparison between the original estimate and time costs to date is given at Appendix V. The total fees drawn in the period of appointment total £27,976.84.

Having regard for the costs that are likely to be incurred in concluding the settlement and then bringing this liquidation to a close, the Liquidator considers that:

- the original expenses estimate has been exceeded for the following reasons.

The main reason why the fees estimate has been exceeded is due to the work undertaken by the Liquidator to investigate into Antecedent Transactions and conduct of the Company Directors where payments of c.£77,000 were identified as being paid to associated companies shortly before Liquidation. The Directors opposed any wrongdoing and the Liquidator instructed Forbes Solicitors to commence litigation proceedings against them which has resulted in Settlement Agreement being finalised with payments being made over an 11 month period to February 2020.

The Liquidator intends to seek creditors' approval to fees in addition to that previously estimated and the relevant creditors will be invited to consider the Liquidator's proposal in this regard under separate cover.

The basis of the Liquidator's fees in relation to these further investigations and pursuit of antecedent transaction has not yet been fixed. The Liquidator's proposals in relation to the setting of this basis will be issued under separate cover in due course.

### **Expenses**

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

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website <http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk/>. A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Fees' together with the firm's charge-out rate and expense policy may be found at <http://www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk/regulation-and-guidance/guides-to-fees>. A hard copy of both the Creditors' Guide and the firm's charge-out rate and expense policy may be obtained on request.

### **Other Professional Costs**

No further professional costs have been paid in the Review Period.

## **CREDITORS' RIGHTS**

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the court or with the concurrence of 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question) request further details of the 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.

## **EC REGULATIONS (WHETHER PROCEEDINGS ARE MAIN PROCEEDINGS OR TERRITORIAL)**

The Company's centre of main interest was in Unit 64, The Bury Business Centre, Kay Street, Bury, Lancashire, BL9 6BU (the former registered office) and therefore it is considered that the EC Regulations will apply. These proceedings are main proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulations.

## **CONCLUSION**

The administration of the case will be continuing to finalise the outstanding matters as mentioned in this report.

If you require any further information, please contact this office.

Signed



Clive Morris

Liquidator

9 January 2023

## Appendix I

### Statutory Information

<b>Company Name:</b>	Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd
<b>Company Number:</b>	08023205
<b>Registered Office:</b>	Heskin Hall Farm, Wood Lane, Heskin, Preston, PR7 5PA
<b>Former Registered Office:</b>	Unit 64 The Bury Business Centre, Kay Street, Bury, Lancashire, L9 6BU
<b>Officeholder:</b>	Clive Morris
<b>Officeholder's address:</b>	Marshall Peters, Heskin Hall Farm, Wood Lane, Heskin, Preston, PR7 5PA
<b>Date of appointment:</b>	26 November 2015

## **Appendix II**

### **Receipts and Payments account for the Review Period & the Cumulative Period**

**Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd**  
**(In Liquidation)**  
**LIQUIDATOR'S RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

	Statement of affairs £	From 26/11/2021 To 25/11/2022 £	From 26/11/2015 To 25/11/2022 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Tangible Assets	NIL	0.00	0.00
Book Debts	NIL	0.00	1,000.00
Cash at Bank	20,568.00	0.00	23,077.63
Settlement of Claims - Directors		0.00	24,000.00
Bank Interest Net of Tax		0.00	4.05
Miscellaneous Refund		0.00	197.83
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>48,279.51</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Preparation of S. of A.		0.00	7,500.00
Office Holders Fees		0.00	27,976.84
Office Holders Expenses		0.00	696.90
Debt Collection Fees		0.00	833.33
Legal Fees - Settlement Claim		0.00	9,166.64
Legal Disbursements		0.00	114.00
Trade & Expense Creditors	(1,067,360.00)	0.00	0.00
HM Revenue & Customs - VAT	(24,000.00)	0.00	0.00
Ordinary Shareholders	(100,000.00)	0.00	0.00
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>46,287.71</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,991.80</u>
<b>MADE UP AS FOLLOWS</b>			
Bank 1 Current		0.00	1,547.24
VAT Receivable / (Payable)		0.00	444.56
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,991.80</u>



Clive Morris  
Liquidator

### Appendix III

#### Detailed list of work undertaken for Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd in Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation for the Review Period

Below is detailed information about the tasks undertaken or to be undertaken by the Liquidator.

General Description	Includes
Statutory and General Administration	Maintaining and updating IPS system and maintaining physical file
Document maintenance/file review/checklist	Filing of documents Periodic file reviews documenting strategy Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists
Bank account administration	Maintenance of the estate cash book Banking remittances and issuing cheques/BACS payments
Planning/Review	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case
Books and records/storage	Dealing with records in storage Sending job files to storage
Reports	Circulating initial report to creditors upon appointment Preparing annual progress report, investigation, meeting and general reports to creditors
Investigations	Conduct initial investigation into the Directors conduct for purposes of the Right of Action
Statutory reporting on conduct of director(s)	Preparing statutory investigation reports Liaising with Insolvency Service Submission of report with the Insolvency Service Preparation and submission of supplementary report if required Assisting the Insolvency Service with its investigations
Realisation of Assets	Realising the assets of the Company (connected to litigation) Collection of monies under the settlement agreement
Creditor Communication	Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via email and post

## **Appendix IV**

### **Time cost information for the Review Period and the Cumulative Period**



## Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

A087 - Accident Lawyers Helpline (ALH) Uk Ltd  
All Post Appointment Project Codes  
From: 26/11/2021 To: 25/11/2022

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & Planning	1.00	1.00	3.00	0.00	5.00	1,430.00	286.00
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisation of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statutory Reporting	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	420.00	210.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	1.00	1.00	5.00	0.00	7.00	1,850.00	264.29
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	

## Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

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 All Post Appointment Project Codes  
 From: 26/11/2015 To: 25/11/2022

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & Planning	7.80	20.50	35.30	19.10	82.70	17,757.50	214.72
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.70	0.25	22.10	23.05	2,863.00	124.21
Creditors	0.00	0.30	5.00	0.25	5.55	993.50	179.01
Investigations	0.50	25.40	10.50	7.20	43.60	9,365.00	214.79
Realisation of Assets	7.50	42.50	40.50	23.50	114.00	23,212.50	203.62
Statutory Reporting	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	420.00	210.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15.80</b>	<b>89.40</b>	<b>93.55</b>	<b>72.15</b>	<b>270.90</b>	<b>54,611.50</b>	<b>201.59</b>
<b>Total Fees Claimed</b>						<b>27,976.84</b>	
<b>Total Disbursements Claimed</b>						<b>0.00</b>	