

Case Experience

COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

Liquidators' claim against a building company

A liquidator was claiming a debt owed to a company by an associated building company. That company's position was that this debt was offset by payments it had made on behalf the company in liquidation. After a detailed review a large volume of documentation and computer records a report was produced which resulted in the liquidator withdrawing their claim.

Sale and purchase agreement dispute in relation to a dental practice

A joint report was required in respect of the interpretation of a sale and purchase agreement in respect of a dental practice. The matter related to the correct treatment of overperformance in respect of the NHS contract prior to the date of disposal. The expertise of the Hazlewoods dental team was key to understanding how such contracts work in practice.

Resolution of ten year partnership dispute

A ten year partnership dispute had eventually led to a need for the partnership to be valued. As the main asset was a quarry this was valued by a surveyor and Hazlewoods acted as expert in respect of the settlement calculations. The matter was subsequently resolved.

Buying out a partner in a firm of rural surveyors

Valuation of a rural surveying business for the purpose of buying out one of the partners. The business had various offices performing at different levels which were valued separately before providing an overall value.

Review of multiple valuations in the context of a family shareholders dispute

Commentary was required in respect of seven previous valuations of a company as well as Hazlewoods view as to its value. This was in the context of litigation between family shareholders of a kitchen equipment company. The matter was resolved by the purchase of shares from the dissenting family member.

Valuation of an electrical supplies company for probate litigation

A valuation of an electrical supplies company was required for probate litigation purposes. The probate value of the company was being challenged by a beneficiary. Hazlewoods valuation was double that provided for probate and was accepted at the mediation.

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Hazlewoods were instructed to prepare an expert forensic accountancy report in a very short time frame on behalf of a client who was facing void disposition claims from a liquidator. The team went through a large amount of historic invoices, receipts, bank statements, company books and records to provide an excellent report which contained clear, concise findings. As a result of this report the liquidator agreed to withdraw the claim.