

Professional Qualifications

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (“ICAEW”)
ICAEW accredited Forensic Accountant
Associate Member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

Professional Background

Ballamy Woodhouse 2006-2013
American Bureau of Shipping 2000-2006
Ernst & Young LLP 1999-2000
Department for Business Innovation & Skills 1996-1999

Professional Experience

Expert evidence and litigation support

Sid has prepared a number of expert reports and joint statements and has acted as an expert accountant in mediations. Most recently, Sid prepared an expert report outlining his examination of the expense reimbursement claims of a CEO of a large software company. As a result of Sid’s work the individual resigned from his position, forwent all redundancy entitlements and reimbursed both the expenses he had dishonestly reclaimed and the company’s expenses totalling in excess of £1 million.

Sid has experience of determining the quantum of damages in commercial litigation disputes and most recently assisted an overseas client in an international arbitration under the LCIA Rules involving a €5 million disputed valuation of inventories.

Sid has also been appointed on a number of occasions to value minority shareholdings in unlisted companies in matrimonial disputes and under section 994 of the Companies Act 2006 (and previously under section 459 of the Companies Act 1985). Sid is a member of the ICAEW’s Valuations Specialist Interest Group and is one of the valuation specialists on the panel of the ICAEW’s President’s Appointment Scheme.

Financial and regulatory investigations

Sid has assisted a number of regulatory bodies including the Jersey Financial Services Commission and the Financial Reporting Council with investigations designed to reveal whether the conduct of regulated firms or regulated individuals failed to comply with the prevailing legislative and regulatory requirements. This has recently involved the assessment of the conduct of numerous corporate appointees and trustees based in the Channel Islands. This has also included the assessment of an individual’s conduct due to his participation in an aggressive tax avoidance scheme involving a charity.

In the civil arena Sid has experience of working with law firms in a wide range of contentious matters including bribery allegations, secret commissions, corporate fraud, whistle-blower assertions, shareholder disputes, asset misappropriation and dissipation, advance-fee fraud, royalty disputes and sham trusts. He has particular experience of complex commercial disputes spanning numerous international jurisdictions and, for example, involving worldwide freezing orders.

Sid has also assisted the Department for Business Innovation & Skills in a number of fraud investigations including cash-back scams and fraudulent collective investment schemes.