

Forensic Accounting, Business Valuation and Litigation Support



WLF Accounting & Advisory is built on a foundation of expertise and excellence over more than 130 years. We are committed to providing our clients with the highest standard of business advisory services, and helping them move forward to achieve their goals.

We understand that business, like life, isn't always straightforward and that disputes are a part of life, whether large or small. Our specialist forensic accounting and valuation team works with businesses, individuals and the legal profession to provide objective and timely solutions.

We pride ourselves on our ability to simplify complex financial information. We bring a broad and diverse set of skills and experience to analyse financial matters, establish the facts and present evidence including in mediation or court.

Trust us with your forensic accounting and litigation needs

Our professional expertise in forensic accounting, business valuation and investigative reporting spans across a range of industries including:

- · Legal
- Accounting
- Financial services
- Primary production wholesalers and exporters
- Engineering
- Loss assessors
- Civil contracting
- · Allied health
- Contract nursing
- Real estate
- Meal, livestock, slaughter and abattoir operations
- Wine and viticulture
- Hospitality, restaurants and cafes
- Veterinary

Under the lead of Partner Dean Johnson, our team offers specialist services in:

Personal injury financial loss assessments

- Litigation support for insurance matters
- Independent expert witness and advisory services in the areas of personal injury, medical negligence and motor vehicle accident

Quantification of loss of income

· Client advisory services

Commercial litigation

- Damages arising from breach of contract
- Forensic analysis of records to identify and quantify losses from Partnership and Employee defalcation
- Financial planning litigation

Family law investigations and valuations

- Independent expert witness and advisory service
- Business valuation for the purposes of matrimonial property settlement
- Forensic analysis and tracing of undisclosed or undiscovered assets
- Client advisory and advocacy services

Disputed Wills and Estates

- Independent expert advisory services to executors
- Beneficiary advocate services
- Experience working with claims under the Testators Family Maintenance Act
- Taxation advice around deeds of family arrangement

Due diligence and sale structuring

- Feasibility and due diligence for acquisitions and mergers
- Independent expert advisory services
- Client advisory services
- Business sales taxation advisory services – income tax, capital gains tax, valuation of business assets and entities, valuation methodology

Our team

Our Forensic Accounting team is headed by Partner Dean Johnson, who is a Chartered Accountant with more than 30 years expertise in public practice. Dean has been providing valuation and forensic accounting services to the SME sector for more than fifteen years.

Dean's expertise includes consultation with, and engagement by, legal advisors in the capacity of an independent expert witness. He has also been engaged for the provision of assistance for all facets of contested litigation including conciliation, provision of reports under affidavit to the Supreme Court of Tasmania and the Federal Court of Australia, settlement and appearance for examination and cross examination where required.

Dean has experience in financial investigations and analysis locally, nationally and internationally while working in Europe and the United Kingdom prior to joining the WLF Partnership.

Dean leads a team of expert advisors in our forensic accounting and litigation specialist team.

About WLF

When you work with WLF you are working with a leading Tasmanian firm with a reputation for delivering quality, tailored solutions and premium client service.

We are an independent firm with 12 Partners and more than 80 specialist staff working across the public, private and not-for-profit sectors in accounting, business advisory, internal and external auditing, specialist taxation, governance, risk management and consultancy.

From our Hobart base we service clients around Tasmania, interstate and overseas, our firm is based in Hobart.



Qualifications:

- · CA Business Valuation Specialist
- Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ)
- · Chartered Tax Advisor
- · Registered Tax Agent
- Graduate of Australian Institute of Company Directors
- Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning), FINSIA
- Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting), University of Tasmania



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