



# MATRIX FORENSIC

## ACCOUNTING & INVESTIGATIONS

## Welcome to Matrix Forensic

Shaun Walbridge FCCA FAE heads Matrix Forensic Accounting & Investigations, a leading independent practice of Chartered Certified Accountants providing expert witness and alternative dispute resolution services.

Our work as forensic accountants covers all areas including commercial disputes, professional negligence claims, matrimonial and ancillary relief, tax investigations, as well as criminal matters.

With a wealth of experience in dealing with all aspects of cases, Shaun is regularly instructed to provide expert witness reports in a wide range of matters.

Shaun has given evidence in civil and criminal cases on numerous occasions, receiving positive feedback from those instructing.

**"I found Mr Walbridge to be extremely helpful and knowledgeable. He was always approachable and in good humour despite repeated delays in the case and large amounts of additional material being sent to him. His final report was comprehensive and dealt with each count on the indictment in a manner that was easy to follow. He presented the evidence well in court and dealt with questioning in cross-examination in a highly professional manner. I would have no hesitation in recommending his services".**

Shaun is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA), a Registered Auditor and a practising Fellow of The Academy of Experts (FAE). He is also a TAE-accredited mediator and expert determiner and is one of the relatively few (less than 100) who hold the Institute of Chartered Accountants' Accredited Forensic Account & Expert Witness designation.

**Shaun Walbridge FCCA FAE QDR**



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## Forensic accounting experts for civil & commercial disputes

We provide invaluable help to the parties in civil and commercial disputes to assist them in reaching a negotiated settlement, thereby avoiding the time and cost of going to Court.

Commercial disputes, more than any other type of litigation, are driven by the likely costs to be incurred by both parties, so an experienced expert who can cost-effectively address the issues, is essential, particularly in the current economic climate.

### Our expertise includes:

- Breach of contract and warranty claims
- Shareholder and partnership disputes
- Business valuations for ancillary relief proceedings
- Business interruption and consequential loss
- Lending disputes such as fraudulent mortgage applications.
- Professional negligence – auditor and accountant’s negligence,
- Due diligence and assurance investigations
- Alternative dispute resolution and mediation

With our expertise and experience, Matrix can help the parties understand the underlying accounting and financial issues, as well as ensure the merits of the case have been explored in full.

### Compliant reports

Our reports are prepared in accordance with Part 35 of the Civil Procedure Rules. They are independent, and impartial and give a robust expert opinion on the issues of the case. This is presented in the form of a clear, concise report capable of withstanding rigorous scrutiny in court, in such a way as to be of invaluable assistance to them in reaching their decision.

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# Criminal cases



## Forensic accounting experts for criminal cases

We provide independent and impartial support to individuals subject to criminal proceedings, whether in the lead-up to trial or in any subsequent confiscation proceedings.

The importance of instructing a qualified forensic accountant, with a proven track record in criminal matters, is of paramount importance. Shaun Walbridge FCCA FAE has been instructed in numerous criminal cases, acting for both the prosecution and defence. He is noted for the clarity of his reports and the pragmatic approach taken.

### Defence

We are regularly instructed to prepare defence forensic accounting reports on a wide variety of cases, from fraud, money laundering, false accounting, cheating the public revenue (tax fraud), duty fraud (alcohol & tobacco), trade mark fraud, payment diversion fraud, drugs and many more.

We are used to reviewing the allegations brought by the prosecution by providing clear and concise reports that can help challenge the evidence against your client.

We are highly experienced in preparing detailed fee estimates for legal aid cases, clearly identifying the need for our work and estimating the likely time and costs involved. We work with a panel of solicitors as their preferred forensic accountants and are instructed regularly. We welcome referrals from firms across the country England and Wales.

### Prosecution

We are experienced in assisting the Police and other prosecuting authorities concerning forensic accounting and other financial issues for trial. With a broad range of practice and commercial experience, we can direct the prosecution authorities to those areas that matter in the prosecution of the case.

Shaun Walbridge FCCA FAE, has given evidence on behalf of the prosecution on numerous occasions, receiving positive feedback from the case officers for the comprehensive reports.

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# Alternative Dispute Resolution



## ADR- an alternative to taking a dispute to court

It is widely recognised that the Court system is overloaded, and as a result, it can take years for a legal case to go to trial. One of the main benefits of ADR is that it provides faster resolution and, secondly, much lower costs than going to trial.

### Types of ADR

The two most common types of ADR are mediation and expert determination. In both cases, a neutral third party is selected to help resolve the dispute. In general, mediation is a more informal process where the two parties work together to settle on mutually agreeable terms. The role of the mediator is not to judge the case, but to assist the parties in reaching a voluntary settlement.

Expert determination also involves a neutral third party, but in this case, the expert determiner will act alone to make a legally binding decision regarding the dispute. During the expert determination, the parties will make statements and submit evidence for review, but neither party is involved in the determination process.

### How we can help

If you or your clients are struggling to conclude a financial dispute, it may be advantageous to appoint an independent third party to help you resolve the dispute.

Shaun Walbridge FCCA FAE is qualified to undertake both Mediation and Expert Determination, having trained with The Academy of Experts and has experience in providing commercial mediation and expert determinations that are final and legally binding on the parties.

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