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Overview

Ian is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) and recognised by CA ANZ as a Forensic Accounting and Business Valuation Specialist. He is also a member of the national CA ANZ Forensic Accounting Committee.

Ian focuses on the provision of forensic services across a range of commercial, matrimonial, personal injury, insurance, insolvency and other disputes. He has provided expert evidence for numerous courts and also advises clients on a consultancy basis. His work frequently involves quantification of loss, business valuation and financial investigation for disputes involving parties ranging from listed entities and government departments to SME's and individuals.

lan's prior roles include five years as the General Manager and Joint Company Secretary of an ASX listed property trust as well as senior positions in international and 'Big 4' accounting firms in forensics, insolvency and business services. His prior experience enables him to draw upon a unique and extensive combination of accounting, finance, valuation, corporate governance, litigation and commercial skills when providing forensic services.

Qualifications and Memberships

- Bachelor of Economics, University of Adelaide, 1991
- Member of CA ANZ, since 1996 (Fellow since December 2023)
- Insolvency Education Program, ARITA, 1999
- Graduate Certificate in Applied Finance and Investment, 2007
- Member of the Financial Services Institute of Australia, since 2007
- CA ANZ accredited Business Valuation Specialist, since 2014
- CA ANZ accredited Forensic Accounting Specialist, since 2018
- Certificate in Advanced Valuation (High Honors), NYU Stern, 2021
- Member of Golden Key International Honour Society, since 2021
- Member of CA ANZ National Forensic Accounting Committee, since Dec 2021



Experience/Recent Matters

lan's experience includes the provision of expert witness or consulting services in relation to the following:

Quantification of loss

- Losses from alleged misrepresentations made prior to the sale of numerous businesses including a furniture manufacturing business, sports store, nightclub, hardware store, cafes and a cattle farming enterprise
- Losses from provision of alleged negligent tax, accounting, auditing, financial planning, engineering and plumbing services
- Losses from defective machinery, livestock treatments and fertiliser applications
- Losses from destruction by fire of a waste oil storage & refinery business as well as a pool manufacturing & sales business
- Losses from contract breaches relating to professional services, long and short term leases, haulage services, employment services and construction / maintenance services
- Losses resulting from compulsory acquisition (and acquisition delays) relating to farming enterprises and a bike retailer
- Losses from personal injury and medical negligence involving individuals in a range of careers including business owners, professionals, tradespeople, farmers and students, as well as infants
- Loss of use of monies calculations

Business Valuations

- Valuations for shareholder disputes across a range of industries including air transport, gin
 manufacturing, immunisation services, orthodontics, allied health, disability services,
 machinery manufacturing, building supplies, property development and financial services
- Valuations for matrimonial disputes across a range of industries including accounting, financial planning, vet services, conveyancing, engineering, dental supplies, lighting & audio visual systems, carpet sales & installation, security systems and tyre retailing
- Valuations for taxation purposes of software development and flavour & fragrance manufacturing businesses
- Valuations for liquidators relating to pre appointment business transfers across a range of industries including procurement management, home improvement, conveyancing, radiology and diving services
- Valuations for commercial transactions of business involved in legal services, taxi services, logging, kitchen & bathroom product supply and civil construction & earthmoving
- Valuations in the context of claims relating to misrepresentation, business destruction (from fire, lease termination and compulsory farm acquisition) and theft of clients

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Financial Investigations

- Investigative accountant's reports for financiers, government departments and boards to
 assess financial position, viability and restructuring options across a range of industries
 including agribusiness, transport and logistics, elite sport, tourism, wine production and
 retail
- Insolvency reports or analysis for liquidators for insolvent trading, unfair preference and other voidable transaction claims, often including extensive financial reconstruction
- Solvency reports (or appraisal of insolvency reports) for directors defending insolvent trading claims or wind up applications
- Investigations regarding alleged frauds committed by staff (professional and administration) in real estate, hospitality, medical, construction, motor vehicle dealership and professional service sectors
- Investigations regarding alleged fictitious invoice fraud and diesel fuel rebate fraud for freight companies
- Investigation regarding the alleged backdating of documents by a partner of a professional services firm
- Investigations regarding theft of clients from a financial planning business and a homeware supply business
- Investigations regarding inappropriate credit card use by a senior public servant and a private school principal
- Investigation regarding alleged inappropriate procurement and tendering practices by the financial controller of a local council
- Investigation into the accessing and dissemination of confidential information within the defence sector
- Investigation regarding the financial position of a statutory corporation owned by the SA Government for the purposes of assisting a union to obtain employment permanency for its members
- Asset tracing investigations to determine the source of funding of seized assets and unexplained wealth
- Unexplained wealth assessment
- Investigation for executor of deceased estate regarding financial position of the estate and dealings of the deceased's former business partner

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