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Key experience

- More than 25 years' experience specialising in forensic accounting covering financial, valuation and accounting aspects of disputes, and competition matters
- Appointed as expert in arbitration (ICC, LCIA, UNCITRAL, AAA and SCC rules), litigation (including Competition Appeal Tribunal) and expert determination
- Given oral testimony in UK courts and international arbitration proceedings, including cross examination
- Experience over a wide range of industries, including aerospace, construction, energy and renewables, financial services, information technology, manufacturing, natural resources, oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, real estate, shipping and transportation
- Recommended by Lexology (formerly Who's Who Legal) as a Thought Leader in its Energy Expert Witness category, and as an Arbitration Expert Witness and Forensic Accountant Consulting Expert
- Bachelor of Science degree in finance and accounting from the University of Warwick
- Chartered accountant and fellow of the ICAEW

Debbie has been working as a forensic accountant for over 25 years, working on more than 80 cases gaining extensive experience in all aspects of dispute work across a wide range of industries. Her experience includes evaluating damages and financial related issues in commercial and contractual disputes, transaction related disputes, valuation disputes and investment treaty claims.

Whilst specialising in dispute work, she also has considerable investigations experience encompassing whistleblowing and fraud investigations, security trading investigations and bribery and corruption investigations for the U.S. Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

After gaining a degree in finance and accounting from the University of Warwick, she qualified as a chartered accountant at a boutique forensic firm. She left in 2007 to join one of the Big Four firms and after seven years joined Haberman Ilett in September 2014, which was acquired by Kroll in 2020. She left in December 2022 to set up Accounting Valuation Experts LLP as one of the founding partners.

Commercial arbitration and litigation

Debbie has worked on commercial and contractual disputes as well as investment treaty disputes and evaluated quantum on matters up to billions of pounds.

Debbie's recent experience includes disputes involving the valuation of companies and shareholdings, competition matters, assessment of wasted costs, assessment of accounting policies and procedures, assessment of pre and post award interest, assessment of financial position of companies, funds and asset tracing, and assessment of the evolution and impact of contractual terms.

Examples of her work include:

- Appointed to provide an assessment of solvency and to assess the appropriate methodology for calculating loss and damage for the Claimants, an authorised financial institution for gold and currency exchange.
- Appointed to provide a preliminary valuation assessment of a bank's investment in an online real estate platform.
- Appointed in a series of arbitrations concerning various valuation, financial and accounting issues arising from an investment in a nuclear power plant.
- Appointed by the Claimant, a South American energy transmission company, in an ongoing breach of warranty claim concerning a substantial renewable energy project. A preliminary valuation assessment has been performed so far.
- Appointed by the Respondent, a UK Central Government Department, in relation to a dispute over a PFI contract. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined on financial issues.
- Appointed as an accounting expert witness by a series of Claimants, in an ongoing dispute before the Competition Appeal Tribunal.
- Appointed by the Respondents in ICC arbitration in a warranty dispute following the sale of a manufacturing company in the energy sector. The dispute settled prior to the hearing.
- Appointed by the Respondents in an ICC arbitration to quantify damages in a dispute over an investment in West Africa. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined on accounting and financial issues.
- Appointed by the Claimant in an arbitration to assess certain financial issues underlying a cryptocurrency loan, the terms of which were in dispute between the parties. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined on financial issues.
- Appointed by aircraft manufacturing company in a AAA arbitration to quantify damages in relation to a breach of warranty. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined on accounting and financial issues.

- Appointed by the Respondent in High Court proceedings over a shareholder dispute. She testified before the Court and was cross examined on accounting and financial issues.
- Appointed by the Claimants in High Court proceedings in relation to a complex funds tracing exercise regarding the alleged use of stolen funds to purchase high value assets. She testified before the Court and was cross examined.
- Appointed to provide financial and accounting assistance to the Respondent in an ICC arbitration in relation to a cost dispute over an oil and gas concession in the CIS region. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined.
- Appointed by the funders as a shadow expert to review the Claimant's loss of profit and loss of value claim under a SPA and shareholder agreement.
- Appointed to assist a major Aerospace company in several ICC arbitrations over disputes with consultants. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined.
- Appointed by a group of minority shareholders in a SCC arbitration in Eastern Europe relating to an ECT claim for loss and damages against a State. She testified before the Tribunal and was cross examined on accounting, financial and valuation issues.
- Appointed to provide financial and accounting assistance to an international energy company in an expert determination over the consideration due under a SPA.
- Appointed to provide financial and accounting assistance to an offshore investment company over its investment in a real estate fund.
- Appointed to provide financial analysis and accounting assistance to an international energy company in an UNCITRAL arbitration against a government owned entity in South America.
- Appointed in High Court proceedings to provide accounting and financial analysis in relation to funds tracing.
- Appointed to review a claim under UNCITRAL rules against a State in respect of an investment in the gaming industry.
- Appointed by a company manufacturing products for the oil and gas industry, in an ICC arbitration, concerning a dispute over a supply agreement and an offtake agreement. The dispute settled prior to the hearing.
- Appointed by the Respondent in ad hoc arbitration in The Hague, between two major international oil and gas parties over a Middle Eastern project.
- Appointed to assist an investment fund (now in liquidation), in the Grand Court in the Cayman Islands against its previous administrator and custodian.
- Appointed to provide financial and accounting advice to a high net worth individual in relation to matrimonial proceedings.

Other experience

Debbie also has considerable investigations and other advisory experience across a wide range of industries. Examples of her work include:

- Provided advisory services, including financial and modelling assistance, to a state oil company in Africa in relation to the performance of certain offshore blocks.
- An investigation into costs being incurred under a joint venture in the CIS region on behalf of a major oil company.
- An investigation into allegations of public bribery and corruption at a European communications and technology conglomerate.
- Assisted US liquidators in an investigation into the trading in securities.
- Tracing of fund flows and assets in an investigation of a large banking fraud in the shipping sector.
- Investigation into bonds appropriated from a bank by an employee.
- Assisted a US Company in an investigation into the destination of credit card transactions owed to them by the defendant.
- Assisting a UK investment bank in producing an analysis of transactions in several bank accounts in relation to alleged fraudulent activity.
- An investigation into alleged accounting irregularities at a major international IT company.