



Crowe Specialist Services



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Crowe UK is an independent member of one of the world's top 10 accounting networks and provides the standard range of audit, tax, advisory and risk services. We also provide high quality, specialist services that many other firms do not offer. This brochure describes three of those specialist services, which you may need to support your clients through challenging circumstances. When the need arises, make sure you come to the right people who can deliver the right quality services.

We deploy experts in each field with many years of experience, including award winners and those who have worked at the highest levels in their specialism.

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Tax Resolution services

We advise on HMRC investigations, voluntary tax disclosures and tax disputes with a view to mitigating penalties and finding cost effective solutions to bring clients' affairs up to date.

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Insolvency and Recovery services

We provide advice to organisations facing financial difficulties, needing advice on administration, company voluntary arrangements or liquidation.

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Forensic services

We provide forensic accounting services (including expert witness and valuation), investigation and cybercrime protection services.



Tax Resolution services

We provide a comprehensive service to individuals and businesses, often working with other professional advisers to resolve our clients' tax issues and represent them in front of HMRC. We will always provide an honest appraisal of our clients' position, so they are aware of their options and can make informed decisions about how to proceed.

Penalties will always be considered whenever HMRC establishes there has been a loss of tax. We help our clients reduce the penalties they face by exploring mitigating circumstances and ensuring that HMRC is applying statutory rules correctly. We have successfully argued reasonable excuse on numerous occasions, which has resulted in HMRC accepting that a 0% penalty is due.

Our award winning team is accessible and approachable. We explain the issues in plain language and ensure our clients understand what needs to be done to resolve their tax issues with HMRC.

Our national team is led by Sean Wakeman and John Cassidy, who are recognised as two of the leading practitioners dealing with investigations and disputes.

Contractual Disclosure Facility (CDF) and HMRC Code of Practice 9 (COP9)

The CDF is the civil (as opposed to criminal) investigation of suspected tax fraud. If HMRC invites taxpayers to use it, they have 60 days to accept the offer to participate and submit a valid outline disclosure, or to reject the offer if they deny committing tax fraud. Taxpayers who use the CDF will get immunity from prosecution in exchange for helping HMRC calculate the understated tax.

Our specialists can help navigate your clients through the process with a view to minimising the final settlement and help them to move forward and draw a line in the sand.

Worldwide Disclosure Facility

HMRC has put increased focus into ensuring tax on overseas assets is correctly declared by UK taxpayers.

This is a complex area given the substantial Failure to Correct penalties that apply (a minimum of 100% of the lost tax) and extended number of years HMRC can assess. The WDF can be used as a mechanism to make voluntary and prompted disclosures.

Our experienced team can help your clients with making a full disclosure and advise on penalty mitigation.

Let Property Campaign

HMRC receives vast amounts of data that enables it to identify landlords who have not paid tax on rental property profits and capital disposals.

Voluntary disclosure is recommended as it is only a matter of time before HMRC makes contact, which ultimately leads to higher penalties. Our specialists can help ensure a full disclosure is being made to prevent HMRC challenges and reduce penalties.

HMRC Code of Practice 8 (COP8)

COP8 is used by HMRC in complex cases where there has been significant loss of tax revenue but fraud is not suspected. Our experts can review the issues, advise your clients on their rights and obligations and help them finalise matters with HMRC.

HMRC Enquiries

Such enquiries can be wide-ranging, resulting in formal demands for data, penalties, assessments, and visits to business premises. We can ensure HMRC is not over-stepping the mark and act on your client's behalf to bring matters to an end.

Other services

There are many other aspects we can help with such as tax disputes, criminal investigations, furlough inaccuracies, expert witness or negligence claims on tax matters, and accelerated payment/ follower notices.

Dealing with HMRC so that the interests of individuals and businesses are properly protected is not a simple matter.

Contact Crowe's experts for help.



Partner, Head of Tax Resolutions
Sean Wakeman



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John Cassidy

Insolvency and recovery

We are a national team with significant experience in all aspects of recovery work, dealing with both corporate and personal matters. We analyse the difficulties your clients have encountered and explain the options that are available and suitable for their needs. If instructed, we act promptly, professionally and effectively.

We have developed a large network of business contacts and professional advisors, which include bankers, solicitors and accountants. In many instances, our professional advice has led to the rescue, in whole or in part, of on-going businesses, with the protection of employment for members of staff.

Our work ranges from dealing with family run businesses to large PLCs, utilising the experience gained by the lead partners, Vince Green and Steven Edwards, who have more than 60 years specialist experience in this area. Recovery of the whole or part of a struggling business is always their primary objective.



What we do

Advice to companies facing financial difficulties

We assist directors in evaluating and implementing potential solutions to financial difficulties. This includes liaising with their stakeholders.

Administration

We can advise on Administration, a recovery procedure which enables the rescue of a business in whole or in part as a going concern and to enhance the outcome for stakeholders generally.

Company Voluntary Arrangements

The CVA process enables us to assist with the restructuring of a company or where a company may be encountering cashflow difficulties. The CVA process allows the company's directors to retain their executive power, continue the business under the supervision of a Supervisor, and continue to pay creditors from profits generated from the ongoing business.

Liquidation

We deal with Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation and compulsory winding-up by the Court when a company becomes insolvent, and use Members' Voluntary Liquidation, for those companies who are solvent, for taxation and restructuring purposes.

Individual Voluntary Arrangements

Where individuals with financial difficulties can enter the IVA process, we can help put this into place so that they can avoid bankruptcy, which benefits both your clients and their creditors.



Partner, Head of Recovery Solutions
Vince Green



Partner, Recovery Solutions
Steven Edwards

Forensic services

We provide expert assistance to resolve disputes. We help your clients find out what happened, who was involved, and to recover financial losses.

Jim Gee and Chris Hine are two of the most respected individuals in their fields. Each has more than 25 years' experience in delivering specialist forensic services to clients from every sector and across the world. The forensic team also has a long standing partnership with Europe's leading research institute into forensic issues at University of Portsmouth.

In a rapidly changing world, where issues evolve and change quickly, this allows the team to provide up to the minute, high quality services.



**Partner,
Head of Forensic Services**
Jim Gee



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Partner, Forensic Services
Martin Chapman

Forensic accounting

We provide expert assistance to support litigation and help resolve disputes.

Fraud Investigations

We provide professional, legally compliant investigations and analysis to uncover the truth and reveal the extent of losses to be recovered.

Financial crime

We provide advice and support for regulatory compliance.

Cybercrime protection

We protect organisations from the UK's fastest growing threat.

Whistleblowing

We help to improve transparency and set the right tone from the top.

Corporate intelligence

We provide detailed information concerning individuals and organisations anywhere in the world.

Counter fraud advisory

We help organisations to protect themselves against fraud, measuring and reducing its cost.

Training and mentoring

Our accredited trainers deliver professional training and practical sessions for organisations.



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About Us

Crowe UK is a leading audit, tax, advisory and risk firm with a national presence to complement our international reach. We are an independent member of Crowe Global, one of the top 10 accounting networks in the world. With exceptional knowledge of the business environment, our professionals share one commitment, to deliver excellence.

We are trusted by thousands of clients for our specialist advice, our ability to make smart decisions and our readiness to provide lasting value. Our broad technical expertise and deep market knowledge means we are well placed to offer insight and pragmatic advice to businesses of all sizes, professional practices, social purpose and non profit organisations, pension funds and private clients.

We work with our clients to build something valuable, substantial and enduring. Our aim is to become trusted advisors to all the organisations and individuals with whom we work. Close working relationships are at the heart of our effective service delivery.

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