

Duncan Barnes

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I am a Chartered Accountant of longstanding, specialising in the business, accounting and tax affairs of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), including their financial reporting, sale and purchase, valuation, financing, re-organisation and succession arrangements.

In addition, I am a freelance trainer, writing and delivering seminars for Family Law practitioners and accountants on Business Valuation in Divorce, Understanding Accounts, Understanding Form E Disclosures, and the Accountant's role in Financial Remedy Applications.

I am a tutor for the Academy of Experts, delivering courses in the UK, Hong Kong and Singapore dealing with Foundation Skills for Expert Witnesses, Law and Procedure for Experts, Advanced Report Writing, and Courtroom Skills for Experts.

I was a Non-Executive Director and Audit Committee chair of South Devon Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (2007 to 2012).

Employment Background

Davidsons Forensic Accountants, Leeds - Forensic Accountants (October 2022 to date)

Consultant, *Haines Watts, South West (2012-2022)*
Responsible for providing expert witness, forensic accounting and investigation services whilst retaining close connections with the firm's services to clients the SME sector.

Director / Equity Partner, Haines Watts, Exeter (formerly Reynolds (1997-2012)
Responsible for accountancy, tax, trustee and advisory services to clients in the SME sector, as well as undertaking expert witness engagements and forensic accounting.

Senior Manager, KPMG, South West (to 1997)
Responsible for a wide range of professional services including accounting and taxation, valuations, corporate finance, forensic accountancy, business re-organizations, and general advisory services to the firm's SME clients in the South West.

Specialisms

- Forensic Accounting
- Financial Reporting
- Business Valuation
- The SME Sector
- SME Sales and Purchases
- Mediation
- Public Speaking

Qualifications

- Fellow of the institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (1995)
- Member of the Academy of Experts (1995)
- Mediator accredited by the Academy of Experts (1996)
- MA War and Society, De Montfort University (2001)
- BSc Biological Sciences, University of East Anglia (1977)

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