

# Scott Hunt, MSc Curriculum Vitae

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Scott has represented many and varied clients since 2003 on a wide variety of matters concerning fraudulent trading. Scott is a member of the Institute of Private Investigation.

Scott's career started in Agriculture before working as a business development manager in London, where his clients were predominately FTSE 250 companies. He was then approached to represent a group of non-executive directors to investigate suspected employee infidelity within a group of mutual trading companies.

Since then he has worked as a specialist investigator and negotiator within many industry sectors. He has also represented private and corporate clients at home and abroad on varying matters including stock and debt recovery.

## Industry experience

Scott's industry experience includes:

- Agriculture
- Building and construction
- Chemical Industries
- Financial services
- Manufacturing and production
- Transport/logistics/shipping

## Recent assignment experience

### Fraud and investigation

- Centralising data on behalf of forensic and legal professionals and analysing a multitude of information to specified criteria.
- Investigating information at client level and applying meticulous cross-referencing to interrogate true position versus perceived position.
- Producing witness statements for clients upon completion of evidence collation.
- Liaising with the Economic Crime Unit (A division of SOCD) on behalf of clients.
- Identifying third party involvements in procurement/manufacturing of bulk agrochemicals.
- Background checks on targets and individuals including surveillance where appropriate.

## Recent assignment experience continued

### Employee infidelity

- Investigating employee infidelity on behalf of a large co-operative, centralising evidence with forensic and legal professionals resulting in a successful claim for £100,000.

### Fraud and investigations

- Acting as expert for the defendant in an alleged advance fee fraud.
- Reviewing the working practises of a computer manufacturer and software provider who was charged with fraud, following the widescale and systemic failure of products that he had supplied for resale to the general public. Our work also entailed reviewing the impact of numerous alleged breaches of copyright and the supplying of copyright infringing software.

### Restitution

- Stock and debt recovery from EU and non EU countries resulting in a successful recovery of £200,000 worth of chemical products.
- Negotiating previously wrongly written-off debts by accountants to the value of £70,000, an 82% recovery on original trade debtors.
- Successful recovery of funds used to purchase a prestige vehicle from an EU dealership after the contract had been cancelled.
- Advising private clients on small claims issues against a multitude of tertiary industries, resulting in either partial or full recovery.

### Specialist assignments

- Centralising the successful voluntary liquidation of four group companies resulting from a successful litigation.
- Interrogating sensitive private client information on behalf of a large asset management company to allay clients' fears of misuse/mismanagement.
- Investigating, researching and evaluating a Directors claim against his business partner for fraud resulting in a successful negotiation prior to court proceedings.
- Private client representation on overseas purchasing of property.
- Liaising with a large Plc on a fraudulent chemical trading issue, resulting in a stay of prosecution for an unwitting third party.