



# Dispute Resolution

# Welcome

It is a fact that disputes arise and when they do, they can be costly. You need to know that you can obtain clear and proactive advice to resolve disputes effectively and as quickly as possible.

Our objective is to help you avoid disputes occurring, where possible. When disputes do emerge, we assist by taking appropriate action to achieve a resolution which is cost effective, practical and protects your interests.

Our team has extensive experience in dealing with acrimonious disputes and we will think laterally and imaginatively to find solutions to your problems. We act swiftly and decisively providing advice that sets out the strengths and weaknesses of your position and gives clear objectives.

## Dispute Resolution Services

### Commercial Dispute Resolution

**“Muckle LLP provides a first class level of service.” Legal 500**

With the various pressures on businesses acting quickly and decisively to resolve commercial disputes and protect revenue has never been more important. Whatever the size of your business we will help it protect its interests, tailoring our approach to your business needs.

We undertake the full range of commercial dispute work that may impact your organisation.

### Real Estate Dispute Resolution

We provide practical and cost effective solutions to Real Estate Dispute Resolution matters.

We have expertise and experience in a wide range of areas including landlord and tenant disputes, dilapidations, contractual disputes over the sale or development of land and professional negligence disputes.

### Construction and Engineering

We provide focused, commercial advice on the procurement, funding and delivery of construction, engineering and infrastructure projects and related disputes, both in the UK and overseas.

Where problems arise, we have the skills, capacity and experience to help you resolve any dispute appropriately and cost effectively ranging from UK adjudications to major international Arbitrations and Dispute Resolution Boards. We have experience in over 20 different jurisdictions.



## Alternative Dispute Resolution

We have many years of experience in helping businesses to find alternative ways out of conflict to preserve a working relationship.

Businesses are encouraged to resolve disputes by alternative methods, such as mediation. Many commercial contracts now contain a clause obliging the parties to try and settle the dispute by some form of ADR.

Our experience includes mediation, early neutral evaluation and expert determination. Of these mediation is by far the most popular and we find we are settling disputes through this approach on a regular basis.

## Business Protection

We specialise in managing and resolving investigations or enquiries launched by all regulatory authorities by combining our legal expertise with an understanding of the practical needs of your organisation.

We provide specific advice in many areas; including health and safety investigations, waste management, corporate manslaughter, corporate due diligence and allegations of serious fraud.

## Emergency Applications

Muckle LLP has the expertise to obtain emergency relief from the High Court. We have used 'freezing order' and 'search and seizure order' procedures in a wide variety of situations including on-going breach of contract, freezing suspected fraud proceeds, misuse of confidential information, infringement of intellectual property rights and publication of defamatory statements.

If you think that you have cause to seek emergency relief, or need assistance in defending your position should such relief be sought against you, please get in touch with us straight away.

## IP and Technology Disputes

The main assets of a business are often its ideas, developments, technology and expertise in its field. Trademark, patents and copyright in material form substantial parts of the assets and contribute an enormous amount of the bottom line.

If your patents or other intellectual property rights are under threat, we can help you take the necessary actions to enforce your rights against third parties.

We can advise you on the variety of remedies you can pursue, including monetary damages, seizure orders and injunctions to prevent further infringement.

## Debt Recovery

We recognise the critical importance of cashflow to business. We will act swiftly and tenaciously to protect your revenue stream. Muckle LLP is regularly ranked number one in the North East by both Chambers and Partners and Legal 500 for debt recovery.



“ EDM I Limited is a global provider of smart metering solutions. We initially instructed Susan Howe at Muckle LLP through our operations in Singapore to advise on a potential dispute. This required extremely urgent action which Muckle's team responded to straight away. Their actions ultimately led to a satisfactory outcome that allowed the business to continue its growth. As a result of Muckle's expertise and service in managing this potential dispute, EDM I then instructed Muckle LLP to assist in setting up our first UK office in Newcastle upon Tyne. We enjoyed the commerciality of the team at Muckle who made themselves available to suit our timelines and helped us achieve our objectives. ”

**David Stroud, General Manager at EDM I Europe Limited**



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