



Claims Examples

Building contractor subject to a Full Enquiry, PAYE & VAT Compliance Visit

HMRC targeted a group of companies, opening full enquiries into each of the group member's tax returns, including the group Directors' personal tax returns, as well as undertaking a PAYE and VAT Compliance Review. More than £10,000 of accountancy fees were incurred providing the books and records, submitting further detailed information in respect of each of the entities under enquiry and attending long and detailed meetings with HMRC. On completion, it was concluded by HMRC that no significant adjustments were required.

Accountancy fees exceeded £10,000

Furniture wholesaler subject to an HMRC Full Enquiry

HMRC commenced an enquiry, which later extended into the Directors personal returns which did not complete until over two years later. During that period there were numerous exchanges of correspondence and meetings with HMRC. At one point HMRC indicated that the liability to additional tax could exceed £200,000. By the conclusion of the enquiry additional tax of £20,000 was agreed.

Accountancy fees exceeded £25,000.

Husband and wife partnership subject to a Full Enquiry

A husband and wife partnership, which sold and installed double glazing were subject to a full enquiry. At the initial meeting HMRC alleged that the husband had been dishonest. However by the conclusion of the enquiry HMRC deemed that £129 of tax was repayable to the partnership and apologised, confirming the allegation of dishonesty was a case of mistaken identity. **Accountancy fees were approximately £7,500.**

High Net Worth Individual targeted by HMRC

Enquiries were opened into the 2016 amended and 2015 self-assessment tax returns and covered income from self-employment, foreign property, loan interest relief and capital gains arising on the sale of shares, futures and options. Fees were incurred meeting the client and HMRC and exchanging extensive written correspondence in response to complex technical issues. At the conclusion it was deemed by HMRC that no significant adjustments were required. **Accountancy fees of £10,000 were incurred.**

Retired Individual subject to an Aspect Enquiry

HMRC receive information from banks and other financial institutes and compare the information received to the entries on the individual's self-assessment tax return(s) to check for completeness. As a consequence HMRC commenced an enquiry, inviting an individual to reconsider the information returned as they held information to suggest taxed and untaxed interest had been omitted and understated. The enquiry was concluded with no amendment being made to the self-assessment tax return, with the information supplied by one financial institute found to be flawed. **However accountancy fees of £2,000 were incurred disputing HMRC's findings.**



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Husband and wife subject to an HMRC Aspect Enquiry

A husband and wife had a portfolio of four properties and each received an aspect enquiry notice under S9a TMA 1970. HMRC challenged the rise in expenses for one year.

The husband and wife had, had to evict one tenant due to non-payment of rent and damage to the property. All details of the expenses were provided and HMRC then challenged whether the expenses should be treated as capital or revenue expenses.

As they had taken photographs of the damaged property along with the expenses/invoices, they were able to satisfy HMRC. Each received a small repayment.

Fees of £3,000 were paid in full by the Tax Fee Protection Service.

Doctors Practice targeted by HMRC

HMRC raised a full enquiry into a doctor's partnership. The enquiry concentrated on the Practices income the split between NHS and private work and an EIS investment on two of the partner's tax returns.

As soon as the initial letter from HMRC was received by the client we could agree the work to be done, set the clients mind at ease and start the process of providing the necessary information to HMRC.

The result was that HMRC agreed with the income as returned and a small adjustment to the Partners EIS claims reducing the Repayment.no additional tax was payable by the Partnership nor the Partner.

The enquiry lasted 18 months at a cost of almost £4500. The cost was completely covered by the Tax Fee Protection Service.

Charity Under fire by HMRC

A local animal charity received a cross tax enquiry for PAYE and VAT. The HMRC sent in two members of staff to oversee the review of the client's records.

Our Tax Fee Protection Service authorised us to two members of our team to attend thus making our client feel secure in the knowledge they were best represented at the meeting.

After 12 long months' copious amounts of protracted correspondence with HMRC on the PAYE and VAT a few minor amendments were finally agreed, and the case was finalised.

Our fees of £5660 being paid in full by the Tax Fee Protection Service.