

Mark David Holdsworth**Qualifications / accreditation**

Practising Member (MAE) of The Academy of Experts, January 2020.
 Practising Associate (AMAE) of The Academy of Experts, January 2016.
 Associate Member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), October 2014.
 Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), October 2014.
 Fellow member of The Association of Accounting Technicians (FMAAT), April 2012.
 Membership of The Association of Accounting Technicians (MAAT), February 2007.

Past and present positions**Present position:**

Founder & Director of Beyond Forensic Accounting Ltd
 Forensic Accountant & Expert Witness | Mar 2025 to Present

Past positions:

Forensic Accountant & Expert Witness, Inquesta Forensic | Aug 2018 – Feb 2025 (6 years, 7 months)
 Senior Associate, Forths Forensic Accountants | Sep 2003 – Jul 2018 (14 years, 11 months)
 Tax Advisor, Clough & Company Accountants | Sep 2002 – Aug 2003 (1 year)

Principal professional specialisms

I am a Forensic Accountant with over 20 years of experience, specialising exclusively in financial crime matters for the past nine years. I assist defence teams in criminal investigations, as well as in related proceeds of crime and confiscation proceedings.

Each year, I undertake between 15 and 25 criminal assignments. Notable cases I have been involved in include:

- R v E (2012) Conspiracy to defraud and commit money laundering via a plethora of different scams. At that time, one of the largest serious category advanced fee frauds.
- R v D (2013) Multi-handed, multi-million-pound advertising/charity fraud.
- R v R (2014) £176 million mobile phone VAT fraud (MTIC).
- R v C (2015) Conspiracy to control prostitution for gain and possessing criminal property.
- R v L (2016) Conspiracy to commit mortgage fraud. £1.2M benefit.
- R v K (2017) NCA led investigation. Conspiracy to defraud, possession of articles for use in fraud and concealing, disguising, converting and transferring criminal property.
- R v N (2018) High-profile manufacturing, supplying and selling an unlicensed medicine and money laundering case (£10 million).
- R v M (2019) High-profile £3.5 million fraud and money laundering case.
- R v S (2020) Large criminal conspiracy to defraud UK banks.
- R v K (2021) Conspiracy to defraud and money laundering. £20M pension fraud.
- R v W (2022) Conspiracy to defraud and 26 counts of fraud. £3.3M investment fraud.
- R v B (2023) HMRC led investigation. Fraudulent evasion of income tax, NIC's and VAT and fraud case. £1.4M benefit.
- R v P (2024) High-profile conspiracy to defraud case. £3M benefit.

Training, qualifications and accreditation as an expert witness

I became a Practising Member of The Academy of Experts in January 2020.
 I became a Practising Associate of The Academy of Experts in January 2016.
 I attended The Academy of Experts 'Into Court' courtroom skills training in June 2015.