Commercial Dispute - Contract Breach

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS COMMERCIAL COURT

BETWEEN:

ATLANTIC TRADING COMPANY LIMITED (Claimant)

-and-

NORTHERN LOGISTICS PLC (Defendant)

Claim No: CL-2023-000456

BILL OF COSTS

Between the Parties Assessment

PROFIT COSTS

Grade A Fee Earner (Partner) - £650 per hour

Date	Description	Time	Cost
10.01.2023	Initial client conference. Reviewing commercial contracts and breach	3.0	£1,950.00
	allegations	hrs	
15.01.2023	Researching contractual interpretation authorities. Advising on merits	2.5	C1 625 00
		hrs	£1,625.00
22.01.2023	Drafting Particulars of Claim. Complex commercial pleading	4.0	52 600 00
		hrs	£2,600.00
30.01.2023	Conference with Leading Counsel. Case strategy discussion	2.0	61 200 00
		hrs	£1,300.00

Grade B Fee Earner (Senior Associate) - £450 per hour

Date	Description	Time	Cost
12.01.2023	Document review and analysis. Chronology preparation	6.0 hrs	£2,700.00
18.01.2023	Disclosure exercise. Reviewing commercial correspondence	8.0 hrs	£3,600.00
25.01.2023	Witness statement preparation. Interviewing commercial director	4.0 hrs	£1,800.00
02.02.2023	Expert witness liaison. Quantum expert instructions	2.5 hrs	£1,125.00

Grade C Fee Earner (Paralegal) - £200 per hour

Date	Description	Time	Cost
13.01.2023	Document bundling and indexing	8.0 hrs	£1,600.00
20.01.2023	Research assistance and case law compilation	6.0 hrs	£1,200.00
27.01.2023	Administrative tasks and court filing	3.0 hrs	£600.00

TOTAL PROFIT COSTS: £20,100.00

COUNSEL'S FEES

Date	Description	Amount
30.01.2023	Leading Counsel - Conference fee	£2,500.00
05.02.2023	Leading Counsel - Advice on evidence	£1,800.00
12.02.2023	Junior Counsel - Research and drafting	£1,200.00

TOTAL COUNSEL FEES: £5,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Date	Description	Amount
22.01.2023	High Court issue fee	£770.00
25.01.2023	Service of proceedings	£120.00
02.02.2023	Expert witness fee - Commercial damages	£2,500.00
08.02.2023	Court bundle preparation and copying	£180.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: £3,570.00

SUMMARY

• **Profit Costs:** £20,100.00

• VAT on Profit Costs (20%): £4,020.00

• Counsel Fees: £5,500.00

• VAT on Counsel Fees (20%): £1,100.00

• Disbursements: £3,570.00

• VAT on Disbursements (where applicable): £540.00

GRAND TOTAL: £34,830.00

Bill prepared in accordance with CPR Part 47 and relevant Practice Directions
Time recorded in 6-minute units as per standard practice
Rates based on 2023 guideline hourly rates for London