

Tax for Entertainers & Sports People

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Recent cases:

- Hopscotch Ltd v HMRC [2020] UT, ATED / property development relief / whether trade
- Kevin McCabe v HMRC [2020] disclosure application viz HMRC / MAP documents, Art.25 UK/Belgium DTA
- Development Securities v HMRC [2017] FtT (CT residence), UT appeal allowed / CA appeal
- Turners (Soham) Ltd v HMRC: tax treatment of expenditure on trucks in business accounts / deduction under Renewals Allowance / interaction capital allowances
- Pulsin' Ltd v HMRC: VAT treatment of fruit and nut bars
- X, Y, Z : criminal prosecution
- Divisional Court (subject to reporting restrictions): committal proceedings
- National Federation of Occupational Pensioners [2017] FtT (VAT / unincorporated association / person for VATA)

Highlights

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- Understand the practical impact through a case study of
- Tax and the events in the lives of a footballer and a model/film actress.
 These are all things I have had to deal with in practice.
- Including
 - their journey to a family brand
 - "tick the box" companies and Anson
 - Form 16 contract and Image Rights, Appearances etc.
 - Hull City AFC (Tigers) Limited v HMRC 2019
 - Perfume, lingerie design, merchandising and the development of branding
 - PE, FEU, s 720
 - Testimonials
 - Californian Living or Revocable Trust
 - Temporary non residence
 - Pensions ad family planning
 - World foundation and wills



Overview

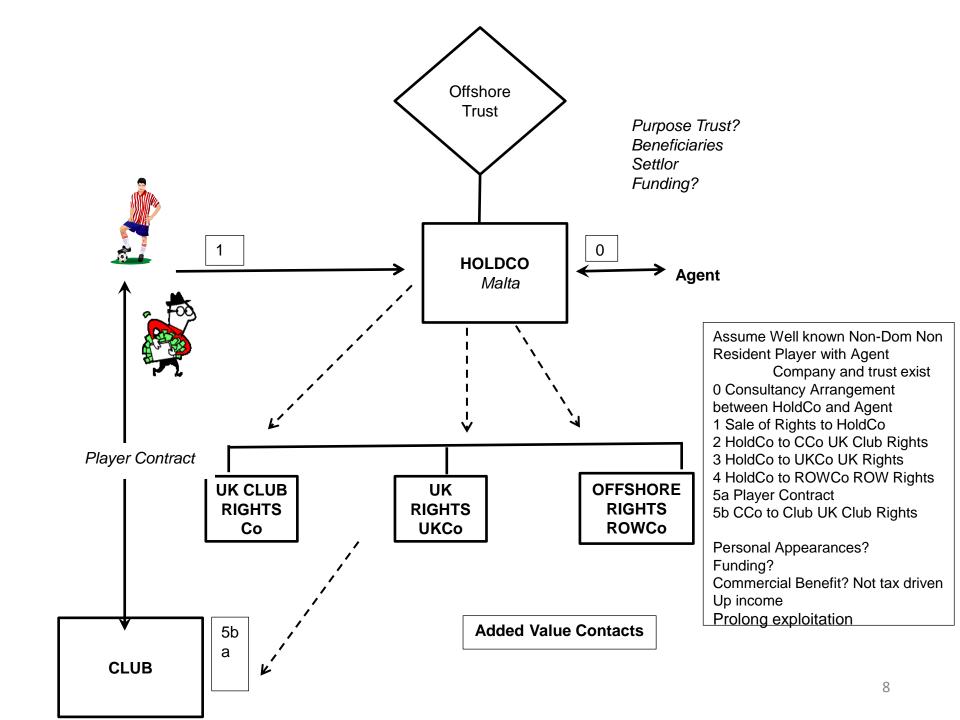
- Drill down into:
 - Tax effects of arrangements for Entertainers and Sportspersons
 - Effects of an unexpected changes of plan and what may seem sensible in
 - one country and the impact of the Artistic temperament
 - Double Tax Treaties, FTC's etc.

1 ARTISTRY, WIZARDY AND TAX?

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- 3 Jude Fawley is a football star who started off with Casterbridge Town FC and made 4 it to the big time in Spain, Germany, and England.
- 5 He was adopted by parents who were domiciled in Ruritania at the time of his 6 adoption. His natural parents were British through and through.
- 7 He became romantically involved with Arabella Donn, an American model, actress 8 and entrepreneur. She is a US citizen borne in California
- 9 Arabella travelled the world on various assignments including in the UK for her 10 modelling and filming.
- 11 She makes films at Pinewood and Twickenham studios. She has a Winnebago on
- 12 set. She works mainly through loan out companies but not always. These are "tick
- 13 the box" entities in the main.
- 14 Jude signs for Sandbourne United in England and they set up home in the UK.
- 15 Arabella's US companies receive large sums whilst they are in the UK. US tax is
- 16 paid. One of the tick the box companies is a Delaware LLC with special bylaws,
- 17 the others are Californian corporations with the usual by laws.
- 18 Before coming back to the UK from Spain Jude registers his image rights in
- 19 Guernsey and sets up a structure through Malta to manage these. He then signs a
- 20 contract substantially in the form of the Premier League Form 16.
- 21 He is paid the usual footballer's salary and also for the use of his images and 22 appearances separately.

- 23 "Jubella" try to set up a brand for themselves and start selling fragrances under
- 24 the trademark "Jubella". They also sell clothing and other merchandise.
- 25 Arabella signs a deal for a lingerie line for which she is the designer and main model.
- 26 Jude decides that he wishes to try his hand in films. They move to LA and
- 27 acquire property and put their assets into a "living trust". Jude and Arabella
- 28 have a big bust up after four years and he storms back to the UK leaving the
- 29 trust and various companies in the US being run by his business agent.
- 30 There is a reconciliation and they start living between London, LA, and Tuscany.
- 31 Arabella receives a non-returnable advance for a "retro-album" which bombs.
- 32 The Jubella brand picks up and eventually becomes successful and profitable.
- 33 They wish to provide for their children and have put money into various pensions.
- 34 They have various trusts in various parts of the World they have mainly
- 35 forgotten about and have been badly run. There are no real accounts.
- 36 They decide to set up a foundation to save the World which is in part revocable.
- 37 They have made Italian wills.





Questions









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