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Administrators work on proposals for fallen solicitors

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Administrators are working closely with the Solicitors Regulation Authority on proposals for creditors after the demise of Affinity Solicitors, which has offices in Milton Keynes, Luton and Northampton. The company traded under various styles - Adams Moore Family Law, AM Family Law and Affinity Mediation - and all staff were made redundant prior to the appointment of administrators.

Administrators at Libertas Associates told *Insider* all assets had been removed and stored securely pending sale.

The IT infrastructure at the company has also been backed-up and case files removed and stored.

The practice ceased trading on 31 October 2013. All staff at the company were made redundant on the same day by the company director, Toni Moore, before administrators were appointed on 1 November 2013.

Moore entered into consultation with another firm of insolvency practitioners with a view to placing the company into liquidation and had transferred all client files prior to the appointment of Libertas Associates.

Nicholas Barnett, administrator at Libertas Associates, said: "At the present time I do not have substantial information surrounding the company's insolvency and am currently piecing together the position regarding its assets and liabilities.

"I am not able to comment on the causes of insolvency at this time, albeit would confirm that the reason for my appointment was the company's inability to service the debt of a secured lender, and concerns regarding serviceability of accruing unsecured liabilities."

He added he was working closely with the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Legal Aid Authority to ensure client interests were protected and asset realisations maximised for the benefit of creditors.

Administrators will publish a full report to creditors in due course.

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