

Case summary

Issue(s)

Whether the court should grant an injunction to restrain a company in insolvent liquidation from referring a dispute with a cross-claiming creditor to adjudication. Whether an adjudicator has jurisdiction to decide such a dispute.

Facts

Bresco agreed to perform electrical works for Lonsdale in 2014. Bresco is now insolvent and Lonsdale claims it is owed over £300,000 compensation by Bresco. Bresco says it is owed money for work done. Bresco's liquidator referred the dispute to adjudication but Lonsdale say adjudication is not available in these circumstances.