

# Companies Act 2006

# **2006 CHAPTER 46**

# PART 30

## PROTECTION OF MEMBERS AGAINST UNFAIR PREJUDICE

## Main provisions

# 994 Petition by company member

- (1) A member of a company may apply to the court by petition for an order under this Part on the ground—
  - (a) that the company's affairs are being or have been conducted in a manner that is unfairly prejudicial to the interests of members generally or of some part of its members (including at least himself), or
  - (b) that an actual or proposed act or omission of the company (including an act or omission on its behalf) is or would be so prejudicial.
- [<sup>F1</sup>(1A) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a), a removal of the company's auditor from office—
  - (a) on grounds of divergence of opinions on accounting treatments or audit procedures, or
  - (b) on any other improper grounds,

shall be treated as being unfairly prejudicial to the interests of some part of the company's members.]

- (2) The provisions of this Part apply to a person who is not a member of a company but to whom shares in the company have been transferred or transmitted by operation of law as they apply to a member of a company.
- (3) In this section, and so far as applicable for the purposes of this section in the other provisions of this Part, "company" means—
  - (a) a company within the meaning of this Act, or
  - $F^{2}(b)$  ....

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Companies Act 2006, Section 994. (See end of Document for details)

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 S. 994(1A) inserted (6.4.2008) by The Statutory Auditors and Third Country Auditors Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/3494), reg. 42(1) (with reg. 42(2))
- F2 S. 994(3)(b) omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(r), Sch. 23 para. 28(7)

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Ss. 994-996 applied (with modifications) (1.10.2009) by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/1804), regs. 2, 48 (as amended (1.4.2013) by S.I. 2013/472, Sch. 2 para. 174)

#### **Commencement Information**

I1 S. 994 wholly in force at 1.10.2007; s. 994 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 1300; s. 994 in force at 1.10.2007 by S.I. 2007/2194, art. 2(1)(j) (with saving in art. 12 and subject to transitional adaptations specified in Sch. 1 and with transitional provisions and savings in Sch. 3)

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