

CURRICULUM VITAE



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MAIN DISCIPLINE Quantity Surveying

OTHER SKILLS Adjudication
Mediation

A Quantity Surveyor with almost 20 years experience within the construction industry and a Masters degree in construction law. Experienced in commercial management; the preparation and defence of claims and the preparation and adoption of commercial control systems for contracting organisations as well as a variety of dispute resolution processes. Joined Centra Consult LLP in February 2008, previously senior consultant with Driver Consult Limited, having joined them from Nigel Lowe Consulting Limited with whom he commenced in January 2004. Prior to this employed in commercial roles within contracting organisations.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Adjudication Experience Includes:

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| Marine Works, Scotland | Prepared notice of adjudication, referral notice and all documentation in adjudication for Marine Works Contractor. Representation of Contractor in adjudication hearing. |
| Combined Heat & Power Projects, England | Management of adjudications on two separate CHP Projects. Involvement included preparation of notices and referral documents; management of adjudication process including liaison with legal representatives. |
| Community College, London | Preparation of multiple notices of adjudication and referral notices in relation to interim accounts on a building development project |
| Combined Cycle Gas Turbine, Power Station, England | Defended adjudication on behalf of Mechanical Contractor on CCGT Power Station. The defence included preparation of response documents, meetings during moratorium, and liaison with legal representatives. |
| Various | Prepared a number of small adjudication submissions for sub-contractors. |

Claim Preparation Experience Includes:

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| Refurbishment/ Development Edinburgh | Prepared claim submission for local Contractor, then assisted in settlement via Mediation, sums in excess of £2M |
| Sutton Bridge Power Station | Preparation of a claim for a mechanical contractor on a new build CCGT Power Station project. The claims were eventually resolved via an Executive Tribunal. |
| Damhead Creek Power Station | Preparation of a claim for a mechanical contractor on a new build Power Station project. The claims subsequently required to be resolved within USA Chapter 11 Bankruptcy proceedings. |
| Wastewater Treatment Facility, Scotland | Prepared monetary claims for D&C Contractor, for submission to SPV on PPP Wastewater Treatment Facility. |
| HMNB Project Neptune, Faslane | Preparation of monetary claims for Utilities Sub-Sub-Contractor on major building re-development project within Naval Base. |

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Mediation Experience Includes:

Refurbishment/ Development Edinburgh	Following preparation of claim submission for Contractor; then assisted in settlement via Mediation.
Tunnelling Project, Midlands	Following defence of claims received from Main Contractor on tunnelling project for Quarry Company represented client in Mediation; which resulted in a settlement.
Damhead Creek Power Station, England	Following defence of claims received from scaffolding Sub-contractor by Mechanical Contractor, including in adjudication proceedings, attended Mediation; which resulted in a settlement.

Contractual Advice / Commercial Management Includes:

Blacklaw Windfarm, Scotland	Provided contractual advice to earthworks contractor on major wind farm project. This included negotiation of contract documentation with Main Contractor.
Port of Tilbury, London	Assisted with preparation of final account submission in respect of civil engineering project.
Wastewater Treatment Facility, Scotland	Provided contractual advice on entitlement to time and money to Contractor under D&C Contract on PPP Wastewater Treatment Facility.
Spalding Energy Project	Negotiated contract terms on behalf of Mechanical Contractor.
General	Setting up, monitoring and maintaining Change Control procedures and systems for major projects including a variety of power related projects.

Expert Reports Includes:

Apartment Building, Scotland	Expert report in relation to the calculation of liquidated and ascertained damages for delay pursuant to clause 17.1.4 of the Conditions of Contract, being the Scottish Building Contract With Contractor's Design May 1999 Edition (January 2002 Revision) with amendments
Wembley Stadium, London	Assist in preparation of an expert report on delays to the turning of the 'arch' at the new Wembley stadium project. The dispute in relation to this matter was the subject of adjudication.
Office Development, Dundee	Assist in preparation of an expert report on delays during and in completion of a commercial office development in Dundee. The dispute in relation to this matter was the subject of adjudication.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2006 – 2008

Driver Consult Ltd Senior Consultant

Joined new office opened by Driver Consult. Involved in company service provision, including in relation to preparation of adjudication documentation; preparation of final account documentation; contractual advice and drafting of position statements; preparation of claim submissions; and assisting with representation of client in mediation.

2004 – 2006

Nigel Lowe Consulting Limited Consultant

Involved in all aspects of the company service provision. This included, on behalf of clients, provision of contractual advice; preparation of claims for payment, as well as defence of claims received; assisting with expert reports;

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preparation of notices of adjudication and referral notices; representation as adviser in mediation; development of company best practice procedures; and development of company newsletter.

2002 - 2003

Shaw Group UK Limited
Commercial Manager

Responsible for commercial management of the businesses construction activities. Summary of projects involved with included:

- Buxton Cement Plant.
- Immingham CHP Project.
- Spalding Energy Project.
- Liverpool CHP Project.
- Stoke & Blackburn CHP Projects.

1997 – 2002

Thermal Engineering International Limited
Commercial Manager

The role involved the full range of commercial management responsibilities for the Mechanical Services Division. Summary of projects involved with included:

- BP Chemicals, Hull - DF Off-Gas Project.
- North West Water Ltd - Shell Green Sludge Processing Plant.
- Sutton Bridge Power Project.
- Installation of new Waste Heat Boiler at Tate & Lyle production facility, Silvertown, London.
- Baldovie Waste to Energy Plant.
- Damhead Creek Power Station Project.

1994 – 1997

Carillion plc (formerly Wimpey Engineering & Construction)
Senior Quantity Surveyor

Summary of projects involved with included:

- M8 Foodpark Enabling Works, Springburn, Glasgow.
- RD66/1 Waste Storage Facility – Rosyth.
- Lesmahagow STW Reconstruction.

1989 – 1994

Edmund Nuttall Limited
Quantity Surveyor

Quantity Surveyor on specific projects. Summary of projects involved with included:

- Whitefriars Relocation Project, Victoria Embankment, London.
- Isle of Grain Container Terminal, Kent.
- East India Dock Link - Stage II, Docklands, London.
- A406 Road Widening - East Finchley, London.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Member of the Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors

Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Member of the Society of Construction Law

OTHER INTERESTS

Family; Reading; Football; Cinema & Arts