Jim Bourke

Quantum Expert & Director

Professional experience

Jim has over 40 years' experience in the construction and civil engineering industries. Having trained as a Quantity Surveyor with one of the UK's major construction companies, he then moved into the consultancy field where he has remained since. During this time Jim has held Board Level Director positions with a 200 strong international construction consultancy, before joining TSA Riley.

Through Jim's consultancy experience he has worked with many national and international construction companies and clients, helping them resolve issues with projects from conception through to Final Account negotiation, whether that be through the normal contractual process or subsequent adjudication, arbitration, mediation or litigation proceedings.

Covering all sectors of the construction industry Jim has commercially managed multi million pound contracts and additionally prepared and negotiated the settlement of extension of time and loss & expense / additional cost claims, as well as being appointed to prepare Independent Expert Quantum reports for use in formal proceedings.

Relevant project experience

Energy

Power Plant, UK: Appointed as Party Representative to prepare, submit and negotiate delay and disruption claims on a CCGT power plant on the Isle of Grain in Kent.

Ports

Large harbour, Kent, UK: Appointed as Quantum Expert to act in formal adjudication proceedings on a Pier Extension dispute to a large harbour in Kent.

Logistics and Distribution

Distribution centre, UK: Appointed as Party Representative in Adjudication proceedings on a major distribution centre scheme in the South West of the UK, to defend referrals from a groundworks subcontractor in South West UK.

Road

Motorway, UK: Acting as party representative on a major UK motorway scheme in North London, preparing, submitting and negotiating extension of time and additional costs claims.



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Qualifications and training **FCICES MCIArb** Bond Solon Expert Witness Course (Cardiff University Accredited)

Relevant skills

Claims & Dispute Management **Quantum Expert Witness** Adjudication Arbitration Litigation Contractual Advice Mediation

Relevant sectors

Energy Ports Manufacturing and Industrial Road Health Tourism and Hospitality Residential Retail Rail

Rail

• **Railway station, UK:** Appointed as Party Representative on a rail station enhancement project in Essex, to prepare, submit and negotiate extension of time and additional cost claims.

Education

Royal Academy, London, UK: Jointly appointed by the parties as Independent Mediator to produce a bespoke
Expert Determination report / recommendation, in respect of delays and associated quantum for the fit-out of a
new London based Royal Academy headquarters.

Office

- Architect's office, UK: Acting as Party Representative to act on matters of delay, disruption and additional cost in respect of an Architectural practice's office fit-out in South London.
- Multiple office refurbishments, UK: Acting as Party Representative providing contractual advice on various Fast Track Office Refurbishments in Central London.

Tourism and Hospitality

- Appointed as Party Representative to defend the MEP subcontractors claims and prepare a counter claim on a high-end central London landmark restaurant.
- **Central London Hotel, UK:** Appointed as Party Representative to prepare, submit and negotiate extension of time and additional cost claims on a luxury hotel in Central London.
- **Luxury hotel, Abu Dhabi:** Appointed as Party Representative to prepare an independent review of the main contractors claim submissions on a luxury hotel in Abu Dhabi.

Health

• **Day centre, UK:** Appointed as Independent Expert to prepare a latent defect claim relating to the construction of a new day centre unit for the Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Trust.

Housing

- Residential refurbishment scheme, UK: Appointed as a Quantum Expert to provide an independent review of the MEP subcontractors account on a high-end, landmark residential refurbishment scheme in Central London.
- **Residential new build project, UK:** Appointed as Quantum Expert in adjudication proceedings on a new build bespoke high end housing scheme in South London.
- Residential conversion, UK: Appointed as a Quantum Expert to provide an independent review of the MEP subcontractors account on an exclusive, luxury high-end residential conversion scheme in Central London.
- High-end residential new build project, UK: Appointed as a Quantum Expert to provide an independent review of the MEP subcontractors account on a high-end residential new build scheme in South London.
- Local authority housing project, UK: Appointed as a Quantum Expert to provide an independent review of the procurement processes adopted on two local authority residential refurbishment frameworks in Central / South London.

Employment History

TSA Riley (formerly DGA Group) Managing Director

(April 2008 - Current)

Managing Director of a commercial and planning consultancy which provides specialist services to both end user clients and contractors,

construction industry. Jim provides contractual advice on commercial issues including expert reports for use in formal proceedings. Operations Director for a 200 strong international construction consultancy with an annual fee turnover of £14m, providing commercial, project management, planning and environmental advice. Subsequent to this he became involved in advisory roles and dispute management for a number of key clients. This included contract audits, due diligence exercises, preparation and negotiation of extension of time and loss & expense / additional costs Operations (August 1992 – March Schofield Lothian Ltd claims. All sectors of the Director 2008) industry were covered in this respect from fit-out contacts, 5* hotels, and residential / retail properties to major civil engineering infrastructure projects. During this period Jim's also managed Schofield Lothian's specialist dispute team, providing extended advice to Clients over and above that being provided by the Consultant directly engaged. This included projects based in the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Jim joined this consultancy shortly after it was established and assisted the two partners in building the business, through providing commercial consultancy services on a **Senior Quantity** (September 1987 – July variety of construction Schumann Smith Ltd (Aecom) Surveyor 1992) projects, mainly in the building sector. This included cost planning, b of q preparation, procurement, post contract commercial management and final account / claims preparation and negotiation.

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R M Schofield & Partners	Quantity Surveyor	(September 1985 – August 1987)	This was Jim's first experience of consultancy, were he joined a practice of twelve commercial staff providing secondment and consultancy services to contractors and sub-contractors in all sectors of the construction industry. His main involvement was in relation to heavy civil engineering projects including a sea defence project, flood defence / river diversion project and construction of two sections of the M25 orbital motorway around London.
Fairclough Building Ltd (AMEC)	Training Quantity Surveyor	(June 1979 – August 1985)	This was Jim's first post in construction, joining a major UK contractor straight from school and being inducted into their formal quantity surveying training scheme. As part of this training scheme, Jim spent extended periods of time working in their cost and bonus, site engineering, estimating, procurement and planning departments, in addition to the extensive site exposure to the role of quantity surveying on a variety of building sector projects in London.