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Qualifications and training

BSc (Surveying)

MSCSI

MRICS

Relevant skills

Claims & Dispute Management

Expert Witness

Project Management

Contract Administration

Contractual Advice

Procurement Strategies

Commercial Management

Relevant sectors

Ports

Road

Energy

Office

Rail

Data Centres

Housing

Michael Lewis

Director

Professional experience

Michael has gained extensive experience over the past 40 years in the area of construction claims and dispute resolution in both the domestic and international construction and engineering industry.

Michael has extensive experience in fulfilling a commercial / contractual role on behalf of asset owners, contractors and sub-contractors.

Michael specializes in the preparation, defence and negotiation of claims arising from contracts for building construction, civil engineering and infrastructural development.

Arising from this work, Michael has honed an ability to analyse the key aspects of a contractual dispute and to identify and articulate the strengths and weaknesses of the various arguments.

Michael is a trained Conciliator, a member of the SCSi Panel of QS Expert Determinators and an active member of the Society of Construction Law.

Relevant project experience

Retail

- **City Centre Department Store, Dublin, (claim value € 20m):** Witness Statement in Quantum of value of Final Claim for reparation of alleged extensive defective works; Negotiation of recommended figure in conjunction with four other defendants on floor finish to store.
- **Blackrock Co. Dublin:** Witness Statement in Quantum of value of Final Account Provided oral evidence under cross examination in Arbitration for demolition of shopping centre.

Office

- **Office building, Dublin 2:** Preparation of successful rebuttal of contractual claim for delay and disruption allegedly incurred during construction of Linked-In HQ, ground works, basement excavation and piling. Strategize and articulate argument and lead subsequent Final Account negotiation with Employers Project managers

Data Centres

- **ARDMAC Data Centres - Microsoft and Google:** Procurement of sub contracts and commercial management of post contract variations – Ireland and Netherlands
- **Facebook Data Hall- Clonee, Co.Meath:** Risk management of contractual issues with Employer (MACE) and sub-contractor – (Roadbridge). Identify and articulate contractual basis for potential contractual claims and disputes.

Energy

- **Medupi Power Station SA:** Claims writer and claims team leader for Hitachi Power Africa July 2013 – September 2014; Preparation and presentation of contractual claims following strict FIDIC contractual provisions for Notice,

Detailed Particulars and updates; management of researchers/writers and formulation of arguments for Employers allegations of defective work unwarranted suspensions of the Work and alleged liability for delay work.

Land Development

- **Marine/Civil Engineering; construction of tunnel in reclaimed landfill. Central Wanchai Bypass Hong Kong - (FIDIC):** Claims writer and claims quantum analyst. February / March 2015. Preparation and presentation of claim for basis of negotiated settlement; Identification of strategy and presentation to JV management board.
- **Irish Archaeological Consultants:** Strategize and articulate argument in support of contractual claim support of contractual claims. Various employer's representatives including TII and gas Networks Ireland and HS2 (High Speed Rail UK).

Housing

- **Period Residence:** Witness Statement in Quantum of value of Remediation Costs.
- **Housing development, Co. Dublin approx. € 15 million:** Cost Planning, defining budget, contract procurement, Administration of commercial aspect.
- Provision of Project Monitoring of development for lending banks and other funders

Rail

- **London Underground:** Formulation of Claim defence through critical overview of Project Management performance.
- **Light Rail Infrastructure Construction:** Claims preparation and negotiation – LUAS Tallaght Line. NEC 3 Conditions of Contract
- **Dublin Arrear Rapid Transport (DART Electric Rail): 8 Car Extension Programme of station and signalling reconfiguration:** Claims preparation and negotiation on behalf of contractor FIDIC Conditions of Contract
- **DASH (DART capacity enhancement project):** Preparation of Final Account and Loss/Expense Claim –

Road

- **Central Wanchai Bypass Hong Kong (FIDIC):** Preparation and presentation of claim for basis of negotiated settlement; Identification of strategy and presentation to JV management board.
- **City Centre Motorway Diversion, Belfast:** Consultant to International Civil Engineering contractor – Infrastructure works – Northern Ireland. Independent audit of accounts for German Civils Contractor in JV.

Employment History

TSA Riley (formerly DGA Group)	Director	Feb 2024 – Current
Schofield Lothian (Irl) Ltd	Director	June 1996 – Jan 2024
Schofield Lothian UK	Senior Quantity Surveyor	Dec 1991 – May 1995
WG Dick Chartered Quantity Surveyors	Senior Quantity Surveyor	June 1988 – Oct 1991
Bruce Shaw Partnership, London	Quantity Surveyor	July 1982 – May 1988