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Jonathan's career in the construction industry covers both contracting and professional services. He started his career as a quantity surveyor and estimator for a large regional contractor in Dorset in 1991, and commenced a degree in Building Surveying at the University of Reading in 1993. Jonathan joined Lawson's Chartered Surveyors as a graduate surveyor in 1996, before moving to William Martin & Partners in 1997 where he worked for a variety of blue-chip clients. He was promoted to Associate Partner in 1999 and Partner in 2001. Jonathan joined MCMS in 2004.

Jonathan has been involved with all aspects of dispute resolution. He has experience of many different forms of contract, including the entire JCT suite, NEC 2 and 3, GC Works and a variety of bespoke forms. Jonathan regularly acts as adjudicator, and is on the CI Arb, CIC, RIBA and RICS panels. He has also been appointed to act as arbitrator. Jonathan has undertaken expert witness work in adjudication, arbitration and litigation proceedings, including the provision of oral evidence both in court and arbitration. He is a Registered RICS Expert and has acted as party appointed expert, single joint expert and expert determiner in disputes concerning building defects, the administration of contracts, completion issues, professional negligence and dilapidations. Many of Jonathan's expert appointments have also included the valuation of construction and rectification works.

#### **Professional Qualifications**

Called to the Bar at Gray's Inn

Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

(Chartered Building Surveyor and Chartered Quantity Surveyor)

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Member of the Academy of Experts

#### **Academic Qualifications**

Bar Vocational Course – Outstanding (BPP Law School)

Graduate Diploma in Law – Distinction (College of Law: Winner of Hammicks Prize for achieving the best overall result)

Diploma in Arbitration – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

BSc (Hons) Building Surveying – 2:1 (University of Reading: Winner of Giles Curwell Memorial Prize for best project work)

Jonathan is chairman of the RICS Dispute Resolution Professional Group and sits on the RICS Dispute Board Working Party and the CI Arb Post Fellowship Working Group. He is a member of ARBRIX, the Society of Construction Law and the Adjudication Society.

Jonathan regularly gives lectures and presentations on construction law and dispute resolution topics for organisations such as the RICS, ARBRIX, IBC and the Adjudication Society. He has also written extensively on legal and ADR topics, and has had articles published in RICS Journals and Building Magazine. He is also a regular contributor to the Practical Law Company website.

Outside work, Jonathan loves the 'great outdoors' and enjoys skiing, sailing and walking; he also competes in triathlons. Jonathan also appreciates good food and wine whenever he gets a suitable opportunity.

A more detailed CV is available on request.