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ARBITRATORS, MEDIATORS
& DISPUTE BOARD MEMBERS

John Redmond



Professional career:

- ☐ Trainee Solicitor, Cobbetts, Manchester 1974-76
- ☐ Assistant Solicitor, Clyde & Co London 1976-78
- ☐ Assistant Solicitor and Partner, Laytons Bristol 1978-2000
- ☐ Partner, Osborne Clarke 2000 - 2010
- ☐ Consultant, Osborne Clarke, 2010 - continuing
- ☐ Independent Arbitrator, Adjudicator & Mediator

As Solicitor, a specialist in construction contract disputes since 1980. Head of Construction Law for Laytons and subsequently Osborne Clarke nationally. Extensive experience of construction litigation and arbitration in civil engineering and conventional building projects and related fields.

Indicative reported UK cases include Birse Construction v St David (recognised as the leading case on disputes arising out of partnering relationships), Tesco v Costain (limitation issues in negligence) and Birse Construction v Eastern Telegraph (measure of damage in defects claims). Regularly acting for employers, contractors and subcontractors in a wide range of projects and disputes, including the collapse of a port complex, power plant construction, sports stadia and several underground railway and road tunnel projects (eg the Jubilee Line Extension, Docklands Light Railway and Channel Tunnel Rail Link).

International cases include disputes relating to the refurbishment of the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, the construction of Dublin Port Tunnel, a highway project in Ghana, commercial and diplomatic buildings in Moscow, a residential development in Budapest, a sports stadium in Korea, an international hotel in the Ukraine, process plant projects in Fujairah and South Africa and pipeline projects in Brazil and Saudi Arabia.

Regularly appointed as either arbitrator or adjudicator in construction disputes, and acts as arbitrator in commercial contract, partnership and consumer disputes. Currently Chair of a Dispute Adjudication Board for a project in Sudan.

Also acts as mediator and as expert in expert determination matters (including property development, international sale of goods and computer software matters).

Experience in consumer disputes includes acting for parties in a wide range of residential housing matters and disputes involving quality of goods issues (ranging from clothing to motor yachts). Acted as arbitrator in over 250 travel disputes.

National Chairman, Society of Construction Law, 1996 - 1998

Author of Adjudication in Construction Contracts (February 2001) and Civil Engineering Claims (with Douglas Stephenson) (third edition 1999) both published by Blackwell Scientific

Regular contributor to publications such as Building and speaker on construction law topics in UK and Europe. Speaker at the following international conferences:

- ☐ Harmonisation of Czech Construction Law with Europe, Prague (1996).
- ☐ Problems of the Procurement Process, Athens 1997.
- ☐ Procurement of Major Projects, Paris 1998.
- ☐ Comparative Public Procurement Procedures, The Hague 1999
- ☐ Adjudication, International Law Congress, Dublin 2001
- ☐ Partnering in Construction, Copenhagen 2002
- ☐ Forbes Superconference, London 2003, 2004, 2005 & 2006
- ☐ PFI - the UK experience (European Society of Construction Law Conference) Oporto 2005
- ☐ Cooperation between the Public and Private Sectors, Athens, 2006.
- ☐ Environmental Aspects in the Award of Public Contracts, Athens 2008
- ☐ Construction Adjudication in the UK, The Hague, 2009
- ☐ International Construction Contracts and Conflict Management, London, 2009
- ☐ Corporate Counsel leadership Forum (paper on International Arbitration) Mumbai, 2010
- ☐ Construction Law and Strategies (paper on alternatives to adjudication), London, 2010
- ☐ International Construction Contracts and Conflict Management, London, 2010
- ☐ Expert Determination. Society of Construction Arbitrators Conference, Marrakech, 2010
- ☐ Enforcement of Dispute Board Decisions, Bucharest, 2010
- ☐ Also invited to assist the Swiss Government enquiry into public procurement practices in Europe (1998).



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Educated:

- ☐ University of Kent at Canterbury
- ☐ College of Law, Chester

Qualifications:

- ☐ BA (Hons), Law 1973
- ☐ Solicitor 1976
- ☐ Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 1994
- ☐ Chartered Arbitrator, 1999
- ☐ Arbitrator Member and Hon Secretary of the Society of Construction Arbitrators, 2005 - 2011
- ☐ Member of the London Court of International Arbitration
- ☐ Member of the following Panels of Adjudicators:
 - ☐ Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
 - ☐ Construction Industry Council
 - ☐ Technology and Construction Solicitors Association
 - ☐ Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
 - ☐ The Law Society

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