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Qualifications

2011	RICS Level 5 Diploma in Adjudication in the Construction Industry
2002	Eversheds/Nottingham Law School Advanced Diploma in Litigation
1996 – 1997	Law Practice Course, Nottingham Law School, Nottingham
1992 – 1996	LLB (Hons) Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham

Experience

James undertakes both contentious and procurement work and his experience includes drafting and negotiating construction and engineering contracts, professional team appointments and security documents such as performance guarantees and collateral warranties.

James advises on a range of procurement solutions and alternative methods of dispute resolution, such as mediation and expert determination. He also acts on adjudications, arbitrations and Technology & Construction Court (TCC) proceedings.

James acts for developers (including Housing Associations), contractors, commercial occupiers, financial institutions, education establishments and local authorities. He has extensive experience of search orders and freezing injunctions and is a Court approved supervising solicitor. The Legal 500 describe him as “first rate” in his field.

James often speaks at seminars for organisations such as the RICS, the Eastern Asset Management Group and LawNet.

Relevant Contentious experience

- Advising a main contractor in relation to loss and expense claims and final account submission in relation to a £1.5 million social housing repair and maintenance contract.
- Advising a sub-contractor defending a negligence and misrepresentation claim in relation to the alleged defective specification of products.
- Advising a main contractor in relation to a dispute over practical completion and a performance guarantee on a development of luxury waterside properties.
- Advising the UK subsidiary of an international engineering contractor on a loss and expense and variations dispute with a specialist sub-contractor in relation to a fit out works contract for a construction equipment company.
- Advising a main contractor in a dispute with the employer in relation to the construction and fit out of a new office and storage facility.
- Advising the Employer in relation to a final account dispute concerning the construction of a new mosque.
- Advising a steelwork sub-contractor in relation to negligence and breach of contract claims concerning the construction of composting facility for a local authority.
- Advising a fit-out contractor in relation to final account disputes for works at a national furniture retailer's stores across the country.
- Advising an individual in relation to various claims arising under a joint venture to purchase and redevelop various residential properties for commercial profit.