



Summary CV

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BSc MRICS ACI Arb



James is a Director of BDG Thomson Gray Dispute Ltd. He has worked for Thomson Gray since its inception in 2004 and has been a Director since 2009. James previously worked for a major international surveying practice in their Edinburgh and Glasgow offices.

He has over 20 years' experience in the construction industry working as a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, successfully advising on and managing costs on a vast range of projects throughout Scotland.

James specialises in public sector construction and in particular has significant experience in Healthcare projects. He has been involved in and delivered well over £1 billion worth of healthcare facilities in his career and continues to offer strategic advice to our major NHS boards and Clients.

James regularly provides advice and opinions on construction related disputes to individual clients, and to the legal profession in general in the capacity of an expert witness.

He is regularly engaged by many of the leading legal practices in Scotland to assist with the financial and contractual aspects of a wide range of construction disputes

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QUALIFICATIONS

▀ BSc Building Surveying (BSc)

▀ Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (MRICS)

▀ Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (ACI Arb)

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

NHS Lothian v Kier Construction Ltd and Others

Acted as Expert Witness providing opinion in respect of quantum associated with remedial works required at a highly sensitive and complex NHS healthcare property arising out of claimed negligence in design and construction works provided by Defenders (Contractor and Designers). Attendance at Mediation during which the claim was settled. Total value of claim - £1.2 million

Prospect Healthcare v Kier Construction – Hairmyres Hospital

Acted as expert witness providing opinion on submitted quantum report including full assessment of remedial works costs to the entire hot water distribution network at Hairmyres Hospital. Total value of claim - £11.0 million

Retail Property Holdings Ltd v Dunne Construction and Others

Preparation of cost estimation of repair works to multi-story car park including full quantum report and responses to counter claims. Main defects related to the integrity of the waterproofing layer together with general workmanship issues including external cladding panels. Attendance at mediation after which the claim was settled. Total value of claim - £3.7million

UK Slipform Limited v Stephenson Construction Ltd

Acted as expert witness providing opinion and full financial assessment and validation of submitted withholding notice following the malfunction of moveable concrete formwork system ("Slipform") on a fifty-two-story concrete framed tower block in central London. Total value of claim - £1.0 million

City of Edinburgh Council v Balfour Beatty Construction – St Andrew's Bus Station

Acted as expert preparing quantum reports following the discovery of defects at St Andrews Bus station relating primarily to the cladding, drainage systems, fire integrity of the building and the condition of the concrete bus concourse. Total value of claim - £5.0 million

Queen Margaret University v Carillion plc

Preparation of full quantum report including comprehensive valuation of repair works following alleged defective workmanship of the Queen Margaret University building in Edinburgh. Defects primarily related to roofing and cladding panels together with more minor issues with the buildings mechanical and electrical systems. Attendance at mediation. Total value of claim - £4.0 million

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

Private Client – Residential Dispute Over Build Quality

Appointed by Solicitors acting for Pursuers to act as Expert Witness providing an opinion on the alleged professional negligence of Main Contractor and appointed designers on a residential development. Asked to provide full quantum report detailing the estimated costs of repair work.

Private Educational Facility – Dispute Over Build Quality Following Material Failure

Preparation of full quantum report including comprehensive valuation of repair works following catastrophic failure of materials during adverse weather conditions. Defects primarily related to roofing and cladding panels Attendance at joint meeting of experts. Case settled out of court.

Leisure Facility – Defective Materials, Design and Workmanship

Acted as Expert Witness providing early opinion in respect of quantum associated with remedial works undertaken at a high-profile leisure facility arising out of alleged negligence on the part of the contractor and designer.

Office Development Dispute – Aberdeen

Acted as Expert Witness providing opinion in respect of quantum associated with defective workmanship on roofing and cladding installation.

Boundary Rectification Works at Rail Depot

Appointed by solicitors to act as Expert Witness providing opinion in respect of quantum associated with the potential boundary reinstatement. Value of Claim - £200,000

Farmland Reinstatement Dispute, Edinburgh

Appointed by solicitors to act as Expert Witness providing opinion in respect of quantum associated with the potential reinstatement of farmland following a boundary dispute. Case was settled out of court. Original Value of Claim - £200,000