



## CV OF JONATHAN COPE

### ADJUDICATOR | ARBITRATOR | EXPERT DETERMINER | MEDIATOR

#### Summary

Jonathan is an experienced dispute resolver and has been appointed in over 350 construction and engineering disputes as either adjudicator, arbitrator, expert determiner, conflict avoidance panel member or mediator. These disputes have concerned projects ranging in value up to £20bn, and have been in a variety of sectors including infrastructure, power generation (including renewable energy and nuclear), hospitality, healthcare, offices, education and residential. Jonathan is on a number of panels of dispute resolvers, and is also named as dispute resolver in a variety of significant contracts and framework agreements. He is also regularly agreed to act as dispute resolver by parties and their representatives. Jonathan is a CEDR accredited mediator.

Examples of recent experience acting as dispute resolver include:

- Adjudicator: £5m dispute between a developer and national contractor concerning the value of the final account on a £100m office redevelopment (JCT D&B contract);
- Adjudicator: £4m dispute between a national main contractor and developer concerning an 87-week extension of time and associated repayment of liquidated damages and payment of loss and expense on a £20m housing development (JCT D&B contract);
- Adjudicator: £10m dispute between an energy infrastructure company and national contractor concerning sums due following termination (NEC3 ECC contract);
- Arbitrator: £1m dispute between the purchaser of a £6m apartment and a developer concerning alleged defects (Bespoke sale agreement);
- Arbitrator: £1m dispute between a subcontractor and main contractor concerning the lawfulness of a suspension and associated damages (Bespoke subcontract);
- Expert Determiner: £10m dispute between an investment company and developer concerning completion issues on the purchase of a 700-residential unit development (Bespoke sale agreement);
- Mediation: Dispute between a home owner, contractor and architect concerning the costs of rectifying alleged defects (RIBA domestic building contract).

Jonathan has undertaken expert witness work in adjudication, arbitration and litigation proceedings, including the provision of oral evidence both in court and arbitration. He has acted as a party appointed expert, a single joint expert and a tribunal's expert. Jonathan has recently acted as quantum expert to an arbitral tribunal on a circa £320m dispute in the Middle East.

Jonathan is a former Chair of the UK Society of Construction Law (2018-20) and is a member of the Society of Construction Arbitrators, ARBRIX, the Adjudication Society and the DRBF. Jonathan is also a former Chair of the RICS Dispute Resolution Professional Group (2011-13), and is the principal author of the current edition of the RICS Guidance Note, *Surveyors acting as adjudicators in the construction industry*.

Jonathan regularly gives lectures and presentations on construction law and dispute resolution topics, both in the UK and internationally, for organisations such as the Adjudication Society, ARBRIX, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, IBC, International Cost Engineering Council, RICS, Technology and Construction Bar Association and the Society of Construction Law. 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 Thomson Reuters Practical Law construction blog.

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### Panel Memberships

- Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution – Adjudication Panel
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Adjudication Panel
- Construction Industry Council – Adjudication Panel
- Irish Government – Adjudication Panel
- Royal Institute of British Architects – Adjudication Panel
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors – Adjudication Panel
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors – Arbitration Panel
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors – Dispute Board Register
- Technology and Construction Solicitors' Association – Adjudication Panel
- Transport for London – Conflict Avoidance Panel

### 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 (Chartered Construction Manager)
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

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

### 2004 – Present: MCMS Limited, London EC2 - Director

Since joining MCMS in 2004, Jonathan has been involved in all aspects of dispute resolution, mainly acting as a dispute resolver or expert witness.

### 1997 – 2004: William Martin & Partners, London SW1 - Partner

Jonathan undertook a variety of surveying services whilst at William Martin & Partners, including undertaking the roles of contract administrator, project manager, employer's agent and project monitor on building repair, maintenance, refurbishment and conversion projects. On many of these projects Jonathan also undertook the quantity surveying. Jonathan also carried out dilapidations, building surveys and expert witness work. These services were provided for a variety of clients including BP, NCP, Diageo, Derwent London, GE and City of Westminster. Jonathan had responsibility within the practice for the review of all extension of time and loss and expense claims, and also provided contract advice to a number of clients.

### 1996 – 1997: Lawson's Chartered Surveyors, East Sussex - Graduate Surveyor

Jonathan joined Lawson's after graduating from the University of Reading. He was mainly involved with the project management of new build and refurbishment public sector residential developments.

### 1991 – 1996: Hayward Building Group, Dorset - Quantity Surveyor and Estimator

Jonathan gained a wide variety of experience whilst working for Hayward Building Group and was based both in the office and on site. His work involved the preparation of tenders, general surveying duties throughout the construction phase and the preparation of main contract and subcontract final accounts. Jonathan continued to work for Hayward during his university vacations.