
Expert's Curriculum Vitae

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LL.M BSc(Hons) DipArb FRICS FCIArb FFPWS MPTS MAE

- Areas of Expertise:** Party Walls.
- Current Position of Employment:** The Dilapidations Consultancy Ltd (also trading as The Party Wall Consultancy)
- Career:**
- 2009 – Present: The Dilapidations Consultancy Ltd / The Party Wall Consultancy**
 - Sole Practitioner & Business Owner.
 - Consultant Chartered Surveyor.
 - 2004 – 2009: CS2 Chartered Surveyors Ltd**
 - Director (2008 - 2009).
 - Associate (2004 - 2008).
 - Head of Bristol Office.
 - 1999 – 2004: Tuffin Ferraby & Taylor LLP**
 - Associate (2003 - 2004).
 - Senior Surveyor (1999 - 2003).
 - 1997 – 1999: Alder King LLP**
 - Chartered Surveyor.
 - 1996 – 1997: The Prima Partnership Ltd**
 - Chartered Surveyor.
 - 1994 – 1996: TW Grillo Chartered Surveyors**
 - Graduate Surveyor.
- Experience as an Expert:**
- Expert Witness work as a party wall surveyor under CPR Part 35 in the County Court.
 - Pre-litigation expert advice on party wall matters and Awards under appeal.
- Court Experience:**
- Appearance in the Count Court as an Expert Witness in party wall cases.

Professional Qualifications & Memberships:

- Fellow of Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (FRICS).
- Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb).
- Individual Member of The Civil Mediation Council.
- Certified Commercial Mediator (UK Mediation).
- Civil Mediation Council Registered Mediator.
- Fellow of Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors (FFPWS).
- RICS Registered Expert Witness.
- Full member and Accredited Expert with The Academy of Experts (MAE).
- Member of Pyramus & Thisbe Society (MPTS).

Academic Qualifications:

- LL.M Master of Laws, Advanced Commercial Property Law [Distinction] – Northumbria University School of Law.
- BSc(Hons) Bachelor of Science in Building Surveying [2:1] – University of West England, Bristol.
- Diploma in Arbitration (RICS).
- Commercial Mediation Practitioner's Certificate (UK Mediation).
- RICS Expert Witness Certificate (RICS).

Academic Publications & Peer-reviewed Journals (Party Walls):

- *'Is The Party Wall Act Now Obsolete?'* - RICS Built Environment Journal (28 April 2022).
- *'Last Man Standing'* – Henry Stewart Journal of Building Survey, Appraisal & Valuation (Vol.9, Number 1, 20 April 2020).
- *'I Have My Reasons'* – Henry Stewart Journal of Building Survey, Appraisal & Valuation (Vol.7, Number 1, 18 April 2018).
- *'Is The Parte Over?'* – Henry Stewart Journal of Building Survey, Appraisal & Valuation (Vol.3, Number 3, 10 October 2014).
- *'Overstepping The Line'* – Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors Newsletter (Spring 2017).
- *'Is the Parte Over?'* - Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors Newsletter (Summer 2014).
- *'I Shouldn't Be Here Your Honour'* - Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors Newsletter (Summer 2013).
- *'Going It Alone'* - Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors Newsletter (April 2011).
- *'Expert Advice: Understanding the Party Wall Act'* – Your Home Renovation website (2018).

Seminars (Party Walls):

- University of West England, Bristol.
- University College of Estate Management, Reading.

- RICS.
- Henry Stewart Publications.
- Local Surveyors Direct.
- The Pyramus & Thisbe Society.
- The Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors.

Academic Tutorage:

- Co-authoring syllabus on party walls for University College of Estate Management – BSc(Hons) Building Surveying syllabus.