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PROFESSIONAL DETAILS

Introduction Jamie has gained extensive experience in the delivery and assessment of complex projects. He is an experienced construction professional having spent 10 years' working on-site on all aspects of construction and engineering projects, initially as a site engineer and then as a project planner; from tender planning, through main contractor site operations, to integrating commissioning strategies and closing out the construction stage.

Building on his construction knowledge, since 2014 Jamie has specialised in delay analysis, litigation support and dispute resolution work. He is a Bond Solon accredited expert witness who has been appointed as delay expert for domestic disputes and has experience presenting evidence at Adjudication meetings. He regularly assists appointed experts in large internal Arbitrations and domestic Adjudications.

Jamie's key areas of knowledge include delay analysis, expert report writing, pre-construction advice, project monitoring, construction and engineering project planning, tender planning, contractor procurement, real estate project planning, and logistics and site set up planning.

Qualifications ND Estate Management
BSc Construction Engineering
Diploma in Industrial Studies
MSc Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, at Kings College
Bond Solon Accredited Expert Witness

EXPERIENCE

In the Provision of Independent Reports

Building

- Student Accommodation - Jamie was appointed as the Expert, to develop an assessment and report that identified and described issues that caused delay and disrupted the completion of the project - negotiation - settled, avoiding adjudication.
- Residential Scheme - Developed an As-Built programme and identified events caused by the façade sub-contractor that delayed the completion of a mixed-use development comprising a 50-storey tower block for residential use. The client is a major international contractor.
- Housing Scheme - Prepared a Retrospective Longest Path Analysis and a report on delays / extension of time related to deficiencies in design and late instructions for the expenditure of provisional sums - adjudication that included a hearing for me to present my finding to the adjudicator - completed.
- School Development - Prepared a Time Impact Analysis and a report on delays / extension of time related to design changes, late information / confirmation of instructions and additional work and their impact on the critical path - negotiation - settled.
- University Development - Prepared an s-curve progress analysis and a report on delays caused by issues that affected the sub-contractor's performance - negotiation - settled, avoiding adjudication.
- University Development - M&E Contract - Prepared an As-Built programme and a report on delays / extension of time related to disruption of the M&E works resulting in multiple visits to the work face to complete activities - negotiation - settled; avoiding adjudication.
- Building Project - Prepared Collapsed As-Built programmes, a Retrospective Longest Path Analysis and a report on delays / extension of time - negotiation - settled.
- Multi-storey Apartment Blocks - Prepared an As-Built programme analysis and a narrative report on delays / extension of time related to the impact of the poor performance of other subcontractors on the commencement, progress and completion of the M&E sub-contractor's works - negotiation - settled.
- High-end Residential Apartments - Prepared a Time Impact Analysis and a report on delays / extension of time related to design changes and late instructions and their impact on the critical path - negotiation - settled.
- Appointed as delay expert by Main Contractor responding to an adjudication referral from its Sub-contractor. All matters of delay decided entirely in Main Contractor's favour.
- Assisted the appointed expert engaged by the claimant sub-contractor who was claiming an EOT in Arbitration against the main contractor. Written advice concerned both delay and disruption and formed the basis of the pleaded position. Amicable settlement reached.

- Assisted the appointed expert in the analysis and production of expert delay opinion. Project was a food processing plant in the south of England. Much of the project involved complex groundworks and drainage.

Infrastructure

- Rail Project - Developed a detailed As-Built programme to identify delays caused to the upgrade of electrical overhead lines and works associated, that spans the length of England. The client is a major international contractor.
- Road Project - Reviewed project and programme information, and prepared analysis and narrative reports on delays / extension of time - adjudication - completed.
- Railway Bridge - Prepared a 'retrospective-prospective' analysis and a 'retrospective-actual' analysis and narrative reports on the effects of a number of notified compensation events (CE) on the planned completion date where CE quotations were provided after the CE and its effects had already occurred.
- Bridge Project - Prepared a Time Slice Windows Analysis and a report on delays to installation of bridge sections / extension of time related to poor performance of other contractors, weather and early employer access to site and their impact on the critical path - negotiation - settled.

Energy

- Substation Project - Reviewed project records and programme information to prepare an As-Planned v As-Built programme analysis to identify the actual critical path of the project and issues that affected the critical path, to inform the Employer of the strengths and risks associated to bringing the dispute to Adjudication.

Oil / Gas

- Refinery Project, Colombia - Provided programming support to the Specialist Expert in an Arbitration (ICC).

Main Contractor (Site-based) Works (Non-contentious)

- Hotels
- Offices
- Residential
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Government buildings
- Retail

Curriculum Vitae



Planning & Programming Activities

- Tender planning
- Design and construction programme integration
- Live onsite monitoring
- Commissioning strategy integration
- Package management of trade contractors
- Developing site logistic plans