



CURRICULUM VITAE – CHRISTOPHER BARRETT
Consultant, Building Surveyor and Project Manager

BSc (Hons) MRICS MCIQB CPE (Law) MFPWS APAEWE

SUMMARY

Christopher is a highly experienced Building Surveyor, Project Manager, Party Wall Surveyor and qualified Expert Witness with over 25 years' industry experience within the M&E commercial, industrial, domestic and high-end residential sectors. Christopher has over 15 years' experience at Project Director level, with extensive knowledge of building defects, loss and expense, delays and building disputes particularly in relation to Extension of Time and Loss and Expense claims.

Christopher is a member of both the Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors and Pyramus and Thisbe Club, with detailed knowledge of relevant legislation and extensive legal and technical expertise.

EXPERTISE

- Project Management.
- Building Surveying.
- Housing Disrepair.
- Expert Party Wall Surveyor.
- Technical and engineering inspections.
- Planning supervision.
- CDM Regulations.
- Contract Management.
- Value management / engineering.
- Risk and safety management.

HIGHLIGHTS AND RECENT EXPERIENCE

- Director for commercial projects over £2m.
- Technical expert for £28m extension of time and loss and expense claims.
- Project management for range of multimillion refurbishment construction projects.
- Experienced in managing contracts including JCT contracts.
- Party Wall Surveyor to numerous residential properties.
- Housing disrepair claims – appointed as single joint expert on numerous disrepair claims.
- Project Manager – Penthouse refurbishment - Bulgari Hotel and Residencies, Knightsbridge.
- Leader for the ISG ATM replacement Programme, regional.
- Lead consultant for damages analysis and assessment following flood damage at Chelsea Barracks development representing contractor in claim against main contractor.
- Building surveyor representing contractor in asbestos removal works to commercial premises for leading multi -disciplinary surveying consultancy.
- Building surveyor representing contractor managing estate wide maintenance upgrade works in various locations on behalf of a main contractor including kitchen and bathroom upgrades,

electrical upgrades, gas installations, scaffold erection, roofing works, decorations and landscape improvements.

- Lead consultant managing re-location of city broking firm on behalf of a main contractor with associated M & E considerations and management of logistics ensuring handover completed on time due to significant LAD's associated with delays.
- Lead surveyor representing a contractor in kitchen and bathroom upgrade works to multiple locations within a single London Borough undertaken on behalf of a main contractor.
- Various RICS Level 2 and 3 Homebuyer Surveys.
- Recent projects:
 - Yateley Care Village, Hampshire.
 - Grosvenor House Apartments – Park Lane.
 - Centrepoint Tower – Oxford Street.
 - Telecom Italia Sparkle, Canary Wharf.
 - Ambassador's residence for LAO People's Democratic Republic.
 - Chelsea Barracks, Chelsea.
 - Analysis of M & E requirements, and facilities upgrade to set of barrister's chambers, Central London.

RECENT EXPERT APPOINTMENTS

- Dispute between a homeowner and builder in respect of damp following construction (Swansea).
- Assessment of defects in an extension to a private house extension (Kent).
- Assessment of air leakage in a private house following construction works (Cardiff).
- A £30k dispute between a homeowner and a contractor (London).
- Numerous expert appointments under the Housing Disrepair Protocol.
- Single joint expert appointed in a dispute following construction works (London).
- Expert advisor in respect of multiple building defects in a commercial premises (Leyton).
- Expert witness in respect of building disputes in a luxury residence (Hertfordshire).
- Expert witness in respect of pool defects in a luxury house basement (Cobham).
- Expert witness in a basement damp issue (London).
- Single joint expert appointed in dispute following construction works (Swansea).
- Expert witness in respect of subsidence involving homeowner and insurance company (London).
- Various Party Wall appointments.

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the Chartered Institute of Building (**MCI**OB).
 - CIOB Chartered Construction Manager.
 - Member of the Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors.
 - Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (**MRICS**).
 - RICS Chartered Building Surveyor.
 - Advanced Professional Award in Expert Witness Evidence (APAEWE).
 - Common Professional Law Exam – LLB (Hons) Equivalent.
 - Bachelor of Science Degree with Honours in Building Surveying.
 - City & Guilds 2391- Testing & Inspection of Electrical Installations (authorised to test and inspect electrical installations in accordance with Health and Safety at Work Act and Electricity at Work Regulations and BS 7671).
 - Approved Qualifying Manager for NICEIC and ECA registered M&E and Building Contractor.
 - City and Guilds 2380 – BS7671-Electrical Wiring Regulations – 18th Edition.
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CAREER SUMMARY

2017 – Present	Belasco Associates Ltd
1998 - 2019	Freelance Consultant, Barrett Bros Building Services
1996 - 1998	Building Surveyor, Sinclair & Associates Chartered Structural Engineers
1995 - 1996	Lloyd's Chambers
1992 - 1994	Graduate Building Surveyor, Blakeney Leigh Chartered Building Surveyors

EXPERIENCE OF CONTRACTS

- Various bespoke forms of Contracts.
- JCT, NEC 2, 3 and 4.

REFERENCES - These can be provided on request.