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Academic and work experience CV for expert witness

Academic and professional

Institution	Award	Year achieved
Hastings College of Arts & Technology	BTEC National Certificate in Building Studies	1992
University of Greenwich	Higher National Diploma in Building Studies	1995
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Technical Member (TechRICS)	1998
University College of Estate Management	Diploma in Surveying – Building Surveying option (DipSurv)	2003
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Professional Member (MRICS)	2004
Association of Building Engineers	Professional member (MBEng)	2005
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Registered Valuer (VRS)	2014
Chartered Association of Building Engineers	Chartered Building Engineer (C.Build E MCABE)	2014
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Certificate in Commercial Property Valuation	2019
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Expert Witness Certificate	2024
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	Registered Expert Witness	2024
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors	RICS Fellow (FRICS)	2024

Roles within construction and property

Dates	Organisation	Role
1990 to 1996	Specialist trade contractors within building industry, undertaking structural steelwork and architectural metalwork	Technician Trainee; Draughtsman / Project Engineer
1996 to 1997	Eastbourne Borough Council, Housing Department	Maintenance Surveyor
1997 to 2001	North British Housing Association (now Places for People group)	Technical Services Officer; Building Surveyor; Senior Technical Services Officer
2001 to 2004	Stredder Pearce	Building Surveyor
2004 to 2005	Frankham Consultancy Group	Chartered Building Surveyor
2005 to 2006	Appleby Petfield Chartered Surveyors	Chartered Building Surveyor
2006 to 2008	Anderson & Associates (Arun Estates Group)	Chartered Surveyor / Valuer
2008 to 2014	Stredder Pearce	Head of Surveying
2014 to date	Kingston Morehen Chartered Surveyors	Joint Managing Director

Current role

Joint Managing Director of Kingston Morehen Chartered Surveyors (KMCS).

KMCS is a small, independent firm of Chartered Surveyors, undertaking a broad range of work for private individuals, small businesses, local authorities, academic institutions, banks / lenders, managing agents and charities.

My role is split between that of a Chartered Building Surveyor and a Valuation Surveyor. My main work includes the following:

- Residential and commercial surveys
- Valuation: purchase; disposal; taxation; matrimonial disputes; development appraisal
- Leasehold enfranchisement – valuation and negotiation
- Building pathology / defects
- Specification and building contract administration
- Building Regulation advice
- Party Wall matters
- Specialist in blocks of flats and residential leasehold
- Planned maintenance advice
- Development monitoring for funding institutions
- Expert Witness, for Building Surveying or Valuation matters (see below)
- All aspects of business management

Expert Witness experience examples:

Housing Disrepair

Single joint expert appointments for a variety of cases, including H.M.O. rooms, individual flats and houses; party appointed expert by local authority for social housing.

Valuation

Single joint expert for single dwellings and for portfolios of mixed property in matrimonial cases.

Party appointed expert relating to value of disputed strip of land alongside boundary between two dwellings.

Party appointed expert relating to diminution in value of a rural property, due to the illegal use of adjoining property.

Party appointed expert relating to the diminution in value of a luxury, new build country house due to defective workmanship.

Building Surveying

Single joint expert in dispute concerning alleged inadequate refurbishment works.

Party appointed expert in case concerning matters at the boundary between two adjoining properties, including chimney stacks, roof, boundary walls and rainwater disposal.