



HCQS Legal Support Services

- Construction Contract Specialists ■ Dispute Management ■ Expert Witness
- Adjudication ■ Arbitration ■ Training ■ Claims and Claim Management

Construction Contracts

HCQS is a multi-discipline construction consultancy that offers a versatile and comprehensive portfolio of services to the UK Construction Industry.

HCQS' legal support consultants provide reliable advice and support in relation to legal matters affecting construction contracts.

HCQS regularly review terms and conditions on behalf of its clients in order to identify areas of risk and opportunity. HCQS are also experienced at drafting bespoke conditions of contract.

Contract Claims

HCQS' legal support consultants are all experienced in the preparation of claims for extensions of time; loss and/or expense; damages; disruption, and; variations. Accordingly HCQS also regularly assesses and defends claims made against its clients.

It is further recognised that many contracts impose strict procedures upon the parties which must be complied with if compensation is to be successfully claimed. HCQS' understanding of contractual mechanisms enables it to manage its clients' compliance with such procedures in order to safeguard their rights.

Expert Services

HCQS professionals are regularly appointed to provide independent quantum and technical analysis in connection with construction disputes, including formal expert witness appointments, support to ADR and expert determination.

Dispute Management

HCQS recognise that its clients benefit from avoiding disputes and we always seek to secure the most economically beneficial resolution of any disputes which may arise. However we also appreciate that our clients are often required to make or defend formal submissions in order to protect their rights.

HCQS' experience of construction contracts and dispute resolution procedures allows it to effectively advise its clients on the most suitable method of resolving their disputes.

Training

HCQS provides bespoke in house training in relation to a wide range of contractual and commercial matters. Such training is usually delivered in a workshop format that facilitates learning through interaction in order to ultimately improve performance.

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Msc Construction Law, MCI Arb is a Claims Consultant / Commercial Manager with over 30 years extensive practical experience representing Contractors, Sub-Contractors and Client/Employer Organisations on Rail, M&E and Building Projects. Has gained considerable expertise over the past 10 years as a contracts and dispute specialist involved with the Rail/M&E/Nuclear and Engineering Industry.

Has experience of working with all standard contract forms including: JCT, NEC, MF/1 and DOM 1 & 2.

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