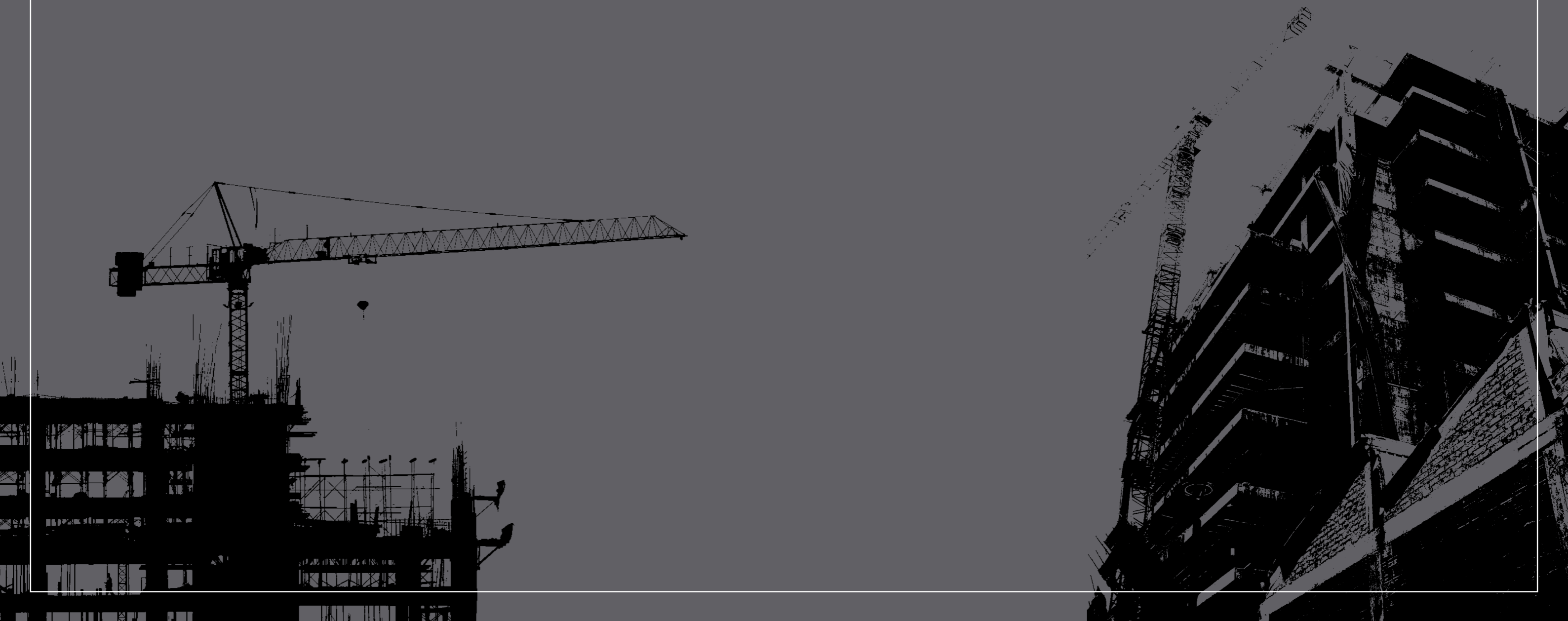


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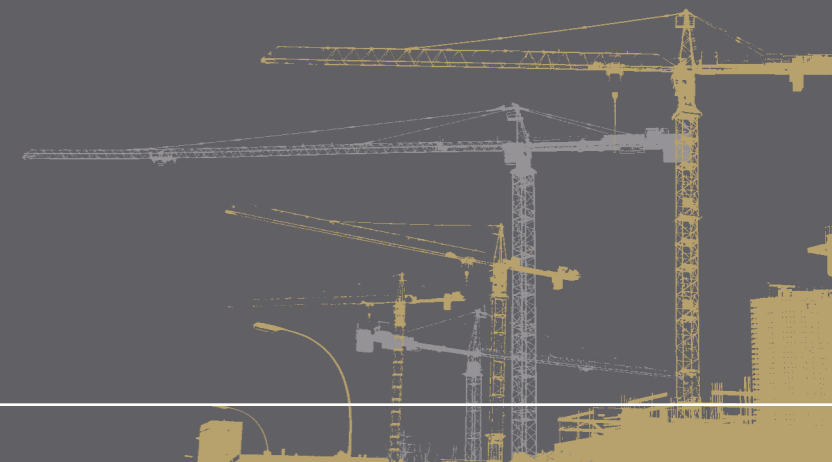
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Quigg Golden Limited are the leading specialists in construction dispute resolution in the UK and Ireland.

With over 20 years experience and offices catering for all aspects of Construction Disputes throughout the UK and Ireland, Quigg Golden provide a comprehensive service for contentious and non-contentious construction and other contract issues.

With consultants from legal and construction backgrounds, Quigg Golden have the expertise to advise clients in many sectors including engineering, construction and related industries. These include heavy industrial engineering, ship building and IT information services. Quigg Golden represents organisations within both the public and private sectors, main contractors, sub-contractors, consultants and suppliers.



Quigg Golden's primary function is to represent clients in alternative dispute resolution including arbitration, adjudication, conciliation and mediation.

Our Services



Ethos and Purpose

Quigg Golden provides a first class service to all of its clients. Quigg Golden achieve this by a combination of:

- High standards of professional ethics;
- Motivated, well trained and experienced staff;
- Prompt, accurate and commercially aware advice;
- Continual appraisal of the commercial reality in any dispute;
- A wealth of experience and resources.

Quigg Golden's purpose is to serve its clients and achieve their commercial objectives as far as possible.

Quigg Golden's success is based on developing partnerships with our clients by integrating the skills and knowledge of our experienced professional team.

Quigg Golden are committed to continual professional development in its staff which is essential to maintain the high standard of service we provide to our clients.

What We Do

Quigg Golden's primary function is to represent clients in alternative dispute resolution including arbitration, adjudication, conciliation and mediation.

Quigg Golden do this by providing skilled professionals from legal and construction backgrounds to provide advocacy in and administration of disputes.

Our multidisciplinary practice comprises engineers, quantity surveyors, lawyers and non-practicing barristers.

Quigg Golden's capacity includes the provision of expert witnesses to act in tribunals such as arbitration and adjudication.

Quigg Golden provides concise and practical advice based on commercial realities. We act for:

- Contractors;
- Clients (both public & private sector);
- Sub-Contractors;
- Consultants.

Quigg Golden serve the civil engineering, building and building services industries. We also serve related industries such as heavy engineering and information technology.

Quigg Golden provides contract drafting in construction related fields.

Quigg Golden provides in-house and public training on claims, claim preparation, dispute resolution processes and contractual risk assessment.

Quigg Golden provides pre-contract advice on estimating, tendering and public procurement issues.

Quigg Golden can provide litigation support to assist clients who must take disputes into the courts either for enforcement or the resolution of the underlying issues. Quigg Golden's understanding of both the law and the construction industry ideally place them in this role.

Arbitration

Arbitration has, for many years, been the leading form of dispute resolution for commercial disputes. Like litigation, arbitration results in a binding decision. However, the process is private and can be adapted to suit specific disputes.

Our unrivalled experience means that we can communicate confidently with the Arbitrator and the opposition. Our range of experience provides a vital link between the technical and legal aspects of a case.

For Quigg Golden the key to a successful arbitration is understanding the commercial and strategic goals of the client, coupled with early and full understanding of the evidence and law. It is this principle which is the focus of any arbitration we are involved in.

Adjudication

Since statutory adjudication arrived in the UK in 1997, adjudication has revolutionised dispute resolution within the Construction Industry. If used correctly, adjudication can dramatically reduce the length and cost of disputes.

Quigg Golden has been involved in many hundreds of adjudications and have the facilities to provide a full and comprehensive service to clients. Experience allows us to identify when adjudication is appropriate and will achieve the best results for our clients.

Adjudication is not a widely adopted process for construction dispute resolution in the Republic of Ireland. However, some bespoke contracts incorporate this alternative dispute resolution method. Our experience in the UK adjudications will assist in the understanding of this relatively new dispute resolution method in the Republic of Ireland.

Conciliation/Mediation

Conciliation/mediation offers the parties the opportunity to amicably resolve their disputes. In conciliation/mediation, the parties voluntarily engage an independent third party who hears the arguments of both sides and suggests a solution. Its inclusion in the standard forms of construction contract, as a precondition to arbitration, has made conciliation extremely common in the Republic of Ireland.

The aim of conciliation/mediation is for the parties to reach an agreed settlement which will allow important commercial relations to be maintained. While these processes are not binding on any party, proper advice is essential for the best results. Quigg Golden can provide this.

Claims

Quigg Golden are experts in the preparation and evaluation of all aspects of construction claims from final accounts to extensions of time and loss and expense.

Our knowledge and expertise guarantees that any claim we prepare becomes a valuable tool for negotiation and settlement. Often the submission of a claim is the first and final step in resolving our clients' disputes.



Contract Advice and Preparation

Over the last ten years contract drafting evolved into one of the key components of our work. Quigg Golden drafted contracts for several multi-million pound projects.

Our experience in dispute resolution makes us perfectly positioned to help you identify and avoid unnecessary risks. Preparation and analysis of contract documents, programmes, tenders and warranties can increase your chance of successfully completing a project.

Sometimes standard forms of contract are not suited to a particular project or trade. We can draft bespoke contract conditions to suit particular business needs.

Litigation

Quigg Golden is licensed to conduct litigation in the technology and construction court and has developed considerable experience in its efficient use.

In certain cases litigation is the only available option for a client. If this is in a jurisdiction where Quigg Golden does not have access to the courts directly, Quigg Golden can assist in the management and co-ordination of the necessary legal team.

International Disputes

Quigg Golden has vast experience in dealing with disputes between parties based in different jurisdictions.

Director Edward Quigg, through his work with the Forum for International Conciliation and Arbitration, regularly sits as an observer to Working Group II of UNCITRAL which considers revisions to the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.

Quigg Golden represent parties from all over the world and regularly have to deal with laws of different jurisdictions including the use of Islamic law in commercial contracts.

So whether the contract is in Hong Kong, Moscow, Riyadh or Dublin Quigg Golden has the expertise, knowledge and resources to assist, whatever the nature of the dispute.

Commercial Project Management

The contractual issues on any project can place an added burden on the resources of those involved. Quigg Golden use expertise and knowledge to deal with many of these contractual issues without detracting from our client's resources.

Procurement

In recent years there have been dramatic developments in construction procurement. EU directives and the implementation of corresponding legislation in Ireland and the UK has signified a sea change in procurement methods.

Modern Procurement Methods have proved problematic for both contractors and public employers. Quigg Golden's "Procurement Cell" has an expert procurement knowledge and Quigg Golden are the leaders in this field throughout Ireland.

Quigg Golden fully understand the legislation and its implication having been involved in the first procurement cases in the Northern Ireland Courts. We provide expert advice to clients procuring works. We also assist contractors with preparing tender submissions and with procurement disputes, as well as for debriefs.

No one has more experience and expertise in this field than Quigg Golden.

Petrochemical

Petrochemical plant installation contracts present unique challenges to all involved.

Quigg Golden has the resources, knowledge and expertise to help deal with those challenges.

Not least amongst the challenges is the scale of some of the projects Quigg Golden has dealt with. The production and successful prosecution of claims for unproductive working and disruption, when the man hours involved are counted in millions, can only be competently carried out by an integrated team of professionals with the experience and tenacity to get to a solution as efficiently as possible.

Constructive Training/ Professional Development

Quigg Golden uses its experience to provide training packages to private and public sector organisations. These are designed to help improve staff understanding and performance.

Our Fees

We offer a range of fee scales and arrangements to suit individual needs. We also offer a free one hour consultation to discuss your contractual problems. This will help identify your options and decide the best way forward.

To arrange a consultation, please contact any member of our team.

We offer:

- quick, accurate advice on how to move your dispute forward
- meetings arranged soon after initial contact
- no obligation for any further use of our services
- initial consultation absolutely free

Construction INSIGHT

Our newsletter is published twice yearly and provides comment and analysis on the latest developments in construction law.

Constructive TRAINING

Quigg Golden Constructive Training provide public seminars at various locations throughout the UK and Ireland, usually in Spring and Autumn. These cover a range of important construction issues and allow for delegate interaction with the specialist speakers.

We are registered training providers with the CITB, The Institute of Engineers of Ireland and FÁS.

In addition Quigg Golden can provide individual companies with training to suit specific needs.



James Golden

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Director/Barrister*

James has experience with many major consultants and contractors throughout the UK and Ireland. He has worked in Hong Kong and has considerable international experience.

James is widely experienced in all aspects of dispute resolution and large scale project management. Always commercially minded, he has a reputation for grasping the key issues quickly and thoroughly and an ability to explain them to decision makers and clients alike.

As a chartered engineer and surveyor, he acts as an Expert Witness in arbitration and litigation. He also retains a portfolio of works as contract administrator and/or project manager for clients. He specialises in the growing area of dispute resolution under the NEC and head Quigg Golden's training in the area.

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Edward gained his initial experience working for a civil and structural engineering consultancy and a major contractor.

Edward's extensive knowledge of both the design and construction processes is added to by his wide experience in all methods of construction dispute resolution.

Edward is a leading expert on the legal obligations of procuring work, including the EU requirements.

Edward is a guest lecturer at Queen's University, Belfast, an observer at UNCITRAL Working Group II on International Commercial Arbitration and the Treasurer of the Adjudication Society.

With a clear understanding of clients' needs Edward uses all his knowledge, skills and tenacity to get results, quickly.

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Senior Contracts & Arbitration Manager

Jarlath has extensive experience in the management and settlement of major construction arbitrations, adjudications and mediations/conciliations having acted for a number of large building and civil engineering companies, employers, public bodies and sub-contractors both in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

Jarlath's background is in Quantity Surveying and gained much practical experience serving time with private Quantity Surveying practices, main contractors and a large public body before specialising in construction dispute resolution.

Jarlath is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and has acted as Arbitrator.

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Pauric has specialised in construction law with Quigg Golden for over five years. Since January 2006 Pauric has been Manager of Quigg Golden's Dublin office.

Pauric advises on all aspects of construction law including contract drafting, preparation and evaluation of construction claims and the management of disputes in arbitration, conciliation, mediation and adjudication.

Pauric is a law graduate and an Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

He is also a qualified training provider with experience in the design and implementation of training programmes.

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Caroline Eccles

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Contracts & Arbitration Manager

Caroline is a law graduate who has been specialising in the field of construction law for over four years. Caroline has developed a high level of expertise in relation to Public Procurement matters, providing advice to public sector employers and consultants putting together tender packages, assisting contractors with compiling their tender submissions and representing parties in tender disputes.

She also has an expert knowledge of the NEC. Caroline has acted as a party representative in numerous NEC adjudications and successfully project managed a number of small scale NEC projects. Caroline has trained employers, consultants, contractors, subcontractors and legal professionals on the NEC from of contract.

Caroline is a guest lecturer at Queen's University, Belfast.

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Lisa Keenan

Office Manager

Lisa is the head of Quigg Golden's administrative team. Lisa's smooth running of the administrative team is vital for the efficient production of documents necessary to maintain the high level of service we provide.

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* Holds the degree of barrister but does not hold a practising certificate from and is not fully regulated by the Bar Standards Board and cannot appear as a barrister in court. The BSB can consider a complaint but cannot require a payment of compensation.