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Commercial Mediator

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PROFILE



Richard McCaffrey is a CEDR accredited Mediator and a trained adjudicator with a Masters degree in construction law and arbitration. He has acted as expert witness at arbitrations involving contamination and contractual issues and is a chartered civil engineer, project manager and water and environmental manager with over 30 years experience working across the built, natural and social environment.

During his extensive career Richard has been engaged on a variety of projects and framework contracts up to £1.5 billion in value spanning education, healthcare, infrastructure, regeneration, energy, commercial property and international aid funded programmes for social and economic reform in developing economies. Most recently he was Chief Operating Officer of a large international multi-disciplined support service Plc with over 3000 staff based in the UK, Ireland, Eastern Europe, Russia and Southern Africa where he contributed to a major growth phase with extensive involvement in commercial transactions including over 15 acquisitions valued in excess of £100million. He has considerable business experience and now holds a portfolio of non-executive roles advising on business strategy and governance in addition to being a commercial mediator on the panel of the Association of Northern Mediators, the ICE panel of Conciliators & Construction Mediators and a member of the Civil Mediation Council.

Mediation Style

Richard has strong negotiating skills with an engaging and collaborative style drawing on a wealth of knowledge in dealing with employment disputes, negotiating contractual and commercial claims and resolving transactional settlements.

Mediation Experience

Recent mediation experience includes complex multiparty disputes involving land and buildings, structural engineering, earthworks, environmental issues, professional negligence, agency transactions and director dealings. Other fields covered are:

- Construction
- Civil/heavy engineering
- Building Services
- · Land & Property
- Quantity surveying/cost consultancy
- Town Planning
- Environmental
- Energy

- · Professional negligence
- Partnership
- Executive employment
- M&A transactions
- Public sector
- Social & community
- Ecclesiastical matters

Feedback as Mediator

"Confident and authoritative"- "Good with people, puts them at their ease"-"Quickly grasps the issues"-"Commercially astute"-"Creative"-" Incisive"-"Superb timing and tactical use of information"-"Strong stamina, sees the job through to a conclusion"