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PROFESSIONAL NARRATIVE

Jamie Shafto is a director and testifying delay expert witness within BRG's Global Construction practice. He has twenty-one years of experience working within planning/programming-related disciplines, including forensic delay analysis, productivity analysis, tender and construction planning, project management and development management.

Mr Shafto has been appointed as an independent expert witness, opining on matters relating to delay. He has provided written and oral evidence in International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC) arbitrations and has been cross-examined by Queen's Counsel.

Before being appointed as a delay expert witness, Mr Shafto provided extensive assistance to an industry-leading delay expert in both common and civil law arbitrations. He regularly provides support to counsel with the preparation of pleadings, cross-examination of expert and factual witnesses and closing submissions. He prepares and defends delay claims on behalf of employers, contractors and subcontractors and carries out independent determinations of delay claims.

Utilising his extensive knowledge and practical experience, Mr Shafto has conducted seminars to lawyers, contractors and consultants debating the various delay analysis techniques.

Mr Shafto spent the first eight years of his career in the UK, working for leading international contractors on multidisciplinary construction projects. He has gained a further thirteen years of experience in the Middle East and North Africa. His experience spans a number of construction sectors, such as retail, aviation, rail, high-rise commercial and residential, hospitality, healthcare, infrastructure, oil and gas, sewerage treatment plants and data centres.

Mr Shafto also has extensive construction knowledge and experience and is proficient in carrying out contract reviews. He has assisted with the review and drafting of professional service agreements and construction contracts and has provided recommendations relating to contractual risk and project controls best practice.

EDUCATION

BSc (Hons) Construction Management (Ongoing)
National Certificate in Building Studies

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Navigant Consulting
Arcadis (formerly EC Harris)
Bovis Lend Lease
ALEC
Osoul, Libya
SCS
Kele Contracting
First Line Consultancy
ISG Plc UK
Bouygues, UK
StructureTone, UK

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Delay Expert Witness

FIFA World Cup Stadium, Qatar

Assistant to delay expert. Jamie is undertaking the delay analysis for the construction of a football stadium in Qatar. The ICC arbitration is in relation to a dispute between main contractor and the MEP subcontractor.

Hospital, UAE

Jamie was appointed as the delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of a hospital in Dubai. The DIAC arbitration is in relation to a dispute between an employer and main contractor. Jamie provided both written and oral evidence and was cross examined by Queen's Counsel.

Rail, Dubai, UAE

Jamie was appointed as the delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of a rail infrastructure project in Dubai, UAE. The DIAC arbitration is in relation to a dispute between a multinational contractor and a subcontractor.

Airport, Doha, Qatar

Jamie was appointed as the delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of an international airport. The ICC arbitration is in relation to a dispute between a multinational contractor and a subcontractor.

Roads Project, Astana, Kazakhstan

Assistant to an industry leading delay expert witness. Preparation of a factual as-planned vs as-built delay analysis. The dispute related to the construction of a highway in Kazakhstan.

Gas Pipeline, Republic of Turkey

3rd party independent review of a Contractor's delay claims in relation to a gas pipeline project. Jamie carried out a review of the Contractor's delay claims for the purpose of securing arbitration funding from an investment group.

Metro System, Doha, Qatar

Assistant to an industry leading delay expert witness. Preparation of a factual as-built analysis to assist counsel with the preparation of pleadings. The dispute relates to design consultancy services on a major rail infrastructure project in Qatar.

Signature High-Rise Tower, Dubai Marina, UAE

Assistant to a leading delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of a signature high-rise tower. The arbitration was in relation to a dispute between a multinational contractor and employer. Jamie assisted with the preparation of a factual delay analysis and provided advice to Counsel on matters relating to delay.

Airport, Doha, Qatar

Assistant to a leading delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of an international airport. The arbitration was in relation to a dispute between a sub-contractor and multinational contractor. Jamie provided extensive assistance to Counsel during the preparation of pleadings, cross examination of expert and factual witnesses and closing submissions.

Sewerage Treatment Plant, Doha, Qatar

Assistant to a leading delay expert witness on a dispute relating to the construction of a sewage treatment plant. The arbitration is in relation to a dispute between joint venture partners. Jamie assisted Counsel during the preparation of pleadings, cross examination of expert and factual witnesses and closing submissions.

High-Rise Residential Tower, Dubai, UAE

Assisted a leading delay expert witness on a dispute between the main contractor and sub-contractor. Jamie provided Counsel with assistance with topics for cross examination.

Mixed Use Development, Dubai, UAE

Independent review of a contractor's delay claim. Jamie was retained to assist and support Counsel with the preparation of the Statement of Claim and respond to the Defence and Counter Claim.

Delay Claim Preparation, Resolution and Determination**Mixed Use Development, Astana, Kazakhstan**

Preparation of a factual based consolidated claim for the JV. Provided the JV is a strength and weaknesses report in relation to matters of delay.

Mixed Use Development, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Reviewed the contractor's extension of time claim, provided expert advice and represented the client in preparation for negotiated settlement.

Rail Project, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Preparation of an extension of time claim for a multinational Joint Venture. The claim was in relation to major variations, employer delay events and disruption. The concerned project was a major rail network under construction in Abu Dhabi.

Commercial Development, Riyadh, KSA

Independent 3rd party review of a contractor's delay claim and subsequent engineer's determinations. The review and report identified the strengths and weaknesses of the contractor's claim and ultimately the validity of the engineer's determination.

Bank Headquarters, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Jamie was part of the project management team for the construction of a bank headquarters in Abu Dhabi. He was tasked with the review and determination of the main contractor's extension of time claims.

Hospital, Al Ain, UAE

Preparation of an extension of time claim for a main contractor. The claim was in relation to major variations.

Refurbishment of a Landmark Hotel, Dubai, UAE

Preparation of an extension of time claim which led to the successful negotiation and settlement.

Flower Centre, Dubai, UAE

Production of as-built programmes utilising contemporaneous records in preparation for an extension of time claim.

Cross Rail Project, London, UK

Production and management of an extension of time claim.

Dubai International Airport Terminal 3, UAE

Responsible for gathering and methodically scrutinising progress reports against the contemporaneous project records.

Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Provided expert planning advice on progress updating, monitoring and reporting. He also advised the contractor during the preparation of an extension of time claim.

Planning and Programme Management

Al Ain stadium & mixed-use development, UAE

Project controls and systems manager for the 25,000 seat Hazza bin Zayed Stadium in Al Ain, UAE. Responsible for the development wide programme procedures, implementation, monitoring, guidance and maintenance of the master development programme and project controls system.

New Doha International Airport, Qatar

Head of contractor's planning department on the New Doha International Airport. The scope comprised of the fit out of 101 individual retail and food and beverage concessions worth Q.R. 450 million.

Tripoli, Libya

Planning Manager for government developer with a portfolio including 11 large scale mixed use developments. Responsible for the development of master programmes which included all aspects of the development life cycle from feasibility, investor strategy, to legal counsel, land acquisition, professional appointments, concept, schematic and detailed design, procurement, construction, handover, and facility management.

Al Falah Creative City & Carrefour Malls Expansion, Sharjah, UAE

Senior planning consultant on a major mixed use development and construction of 5 malls. Developed the master programmes and coordinated stakeholder programmes. Prepared monthly reports which covered all aspects of cost control, risk management, detailed and executive progress overviews, project 'look ahead' and proposed 'what if' scenarios demonstrating potential risks and mitigation measures.

Hydra Towers, Dubai, UAE

Planning manager for main contractor responsible for the production of fully cost loaded and resourced contract programmes covering design, submittals and approvals, procurement, construction, testing & commissioning and handover. Prepared weekly progress reports for internal distribution and monthly reports for external issue. Responsible for assessment of site progress, sub-contractor progress, labour returns, productivity reports and programme updates.

D1 Tower, Dubai, UAE

Planning manager for main contractor responsible for the production of fully cost loaded and resourced contract programmes covering design, submittals and approvals, procurement, construction, testing & commissioning and handover. Prepared weekly progress reports for internal distribution and monthly reports for external issue. Responsible for assessment of site progress, sub-contractor progress, labour returns, productivity reports and programme updates.

Al Duaa Marina Tower, Dubai, UAE

Planning manager for main contractor responsible for the production of fully cost loaded and resourced contract programmes covering design, submittals and approvals, procurement, construction, testing and commissioning and handover. Prepared weekly progress reports for internal distribution and monthly reports for external issue. Responsible for assessment of site progress, sub-contractor progress, labour returns, productivity reports and programme updates.

Promo-seven, Dubai, UAE

Planning manager for main contractor responsible for the production of fully cost loaded and resourced contract programmes covering design, submittals and approvals, procurement, construction, testing and commissioning and handover. Prepared weekly progress reports for internal

distribution and monthly reports for external issue. Responsible for assessment of site progress, sub-contractor progress, labour returns, productivity reports and programme updates.

Dubai International Airport Concourse 3, UAE

Senior planning consultant responsible for the development of contract programmes for the proposed concourse. Scope of works included the building services system installation and integrations with main contractor's programme of works.

Abu Dhabi Airport, UAE

Senior planning consultant responsible for producing standalone, cost loaded and resourced programmes covering the design, approvals, procurement and construction of the contractor's scope of works. Scope consisted of the installation of the radar, navigation and control towers. Prepared weekly and monthly reports for internal and external publication. The reports covered risk, cost, progress (engineering / procurement / construction), resources, productivity, delays, and potential delays.

South Thames College, London, UK

Project planner for the £60m re-development of South Thames College. Scope comprised of the demolition of existing buildings and the construction of three inter-connected buildings.

Responsibilities consisted of producing a revised master construction programme, short term programmes, progress updates, and developing an extension of time claim.

Eurostar International Terminal, Kings Cross St. Pancras, London, UK

Planning engineer on the refurbishment of Kings Cross St. Pancras Station (Eurostar International terminal). The scope of works included the renovation of the existing listed structure, fit out of retail units, departures and arrivals lounges, service and plant rooms and common areas.

UBS, Broadgate Circus, London, UK

Project planner on the UBS Liverpool Street project. Scope consisted of complete strip out and fit out of CAT B office space within an occupied building. Responsible for producing pre-construction and construction programmes, coordination of design, procurement and construction activities and monitoring progress.

JP Morgan Chase, Triton Square, London, UK

Project planner on the construction of a new data centre in central London comprising of complete MEP and data fit out and refurbishment of this existing structure.

Home Office HQ, Westminster, London, UK

Project planner responsible for the production of weekly and monthly progress reports, area programmes, completion programmes, labour returns, productivity, critical path analysis and earned value analysis. The project consisted of the demolition of the existing tower blocks and the construction of three new integrated office blocks and three residential apartment blocks.

BECD North Middlesex Hospital, London, UK

Project planner responsible for the production of construction programme detailing and coordinating internal fit out.