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SUMMARY

Andrew is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, expert witness and claims practitioner with 27 years' construction experience working in Private Practice and for contracting organisations, 22 of which have been spent specifically providing expert services (quantum), claims advice, preparing, evaluating and resolving claims, managing the claims process and those participating therein.

Andrew's experience in the management and resolution of disputes spans a diverse range of sectors and project types, including high rise buildings, schools, hotels and resorts, hospitals, airports, process plants, nuclear decommissioning works, power stations, oil & gas, major tolled motorways, bridges and pipelines.

Andrew has extensive working knowledge of numerous major domestic and international contract forms including FIDIC, NEC, ICE, JCT, GC-Works, JBCC and GCC, in addition to bespoke EPC forms. Andrew also has detailed experience in numerous expert witness appointments on quantum issues, as an assistant, as lead assistant, and as the expert.

A competent presenter, Andrew regularly conducts seminars on issues ranging from the valuation of construction and engineering works, to the assessment of additional payment in the context of delay, termination, changed circumstances and acceleration.

Andrew has been appointed as quantum expert on multiple occasions and has testified by way of cross examination and witness conferencing / concurrent evidence (hot-tubbing), in DIFC-LCIA, ICC, DIAC and ad-hoc matters.

Andrew has recently been instructed by Herbert Smith Freehills, Ashurst, DWF, Blanke Arbitration, Dentons & Co., Holman Fenwick Willan and Horizons & Co.

REFERENCES

For References please do not hesitate to contact:

Nick Oury, Partner – Herbert Smith Freehills LLP | Dubai – nick.oury@hsf.com

Dr Gordon Blanke, Founding Partner – Blanke Arbitration LLP | Dubai – gb@blankearbitration.com

Cameron Cuffe, Partner – Ashurst LLP | Dubai – cameron.cuffe@ashurst.com

Bryan Dayton, Partner – Obeid & Partners | Dubai – b.dayton@obeidpartners.com

Soraya Corm-Bakhos, Counsel – Watson, Farley & Williams | Dubai – SCormBakhos@wfw.com

EDUCATION

LLB(Hons), Law	University of Northumbria at Newcastle, 2007
Msc, Construction Law	University of Central Lancashire, 2003
BSc(Hons), Quantity Surveying	Nottingham Trent University, 1997

PRESENT EMPLOYMENT

Director, Berkeley Research Group | Dubai

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Managing Director, J.S. Held LLC, 2018-2021
Vice President, HKA, 2017-2018
Director, Driver Consult Limited, 2003-2012

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Fellow, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (FRICS)
Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb)
Member, Academy of Experts (MAE)

RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES

Hotel and Mall Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims, disputed variations and counterclaims.

Villa, Spa and Hotel Resort, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, thickened resources, variations, increased costs, termination and completion of the works.

Villa and Hotel Resort, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims relating to prolongation, variations, additional costs arising out of termination, and counterclaims relating to additional costs of completion.

Oil Refinery Expansion Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, variations, termination and completion of the works.

Airport Terminal Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, variations, loss of opportunity, disruption, termination and costs of completing the works.

High Rise Residential and Commercial Tower, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, variations, increased labour costs.

Retail, Commercial and Residential Mega Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed by main contractor to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, discrete high-value variations, disruption, valuation of preliminaries allowances and acceleration.

Desalination Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, variations, termination and completion of the works.

Villa Project, GCC

Quantum expert appointed by contractor to provide opinion on valuation of claims and counterclaims relating to prolongation, variations and disruption in connection with a 1,000-villa project in Dubai.

Airport Re-Fuelling System, GCC

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of defects and costs of remedial works in a dispute between a national oil provider and an EPC contractor.

Petrol/Diesel Tanks Project, RSA

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of claims for prolongation and compensation events in an NEC3-based adjudication.

Residential Accommodation (Power Station Ancillary Project), RSA

Quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of compensation events relating to changes to employer's policies in an NEC3-based adjudication.

High Rise Twin Tower Hotel Project, GCC

Lead assistant to quantum expert appointed to in a main contractor sub-contractor dispute involving claims and counterclaims for prolongation, acceleration, disruption and varied works.

High Rise Residential Project, GCC

Assistant to quantum expert appointed to provide opinion on valuation of a disputed final account in the context of a suspension and termination.

Government Agency Headquarters Refurbishment, UK

Lead assistant to quantum expert on the assessment of additional costs relating to delay, prolongation, disruption and acceleration.

New Motorway Project, UK

Assistant to quantum expert assessing additional costs relating to delay, acceleration and reduced productivity.

High Rise Residential Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of revised post-tensioning of concrete slabs on an iconic twin-tower development in Dubai.

Airport Terminal Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor on Baggage Handling System Package to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of variations, changed circumstances and coordination issues flowing from other adjacent work packages.

Oil Storage Tank Farm Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to review and enhance claims for additional time and payment under a bespoke EPC contract for a US\$ 400M tank farm project.

Oil Refinery Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, variations, changed circumstances and disturbances to regular progress / reduced efficiencies, in connection with a US\$ 855M EPC package and contract.

High Rise Residential and Commercial Tower, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, variations and acceleration.

High Rise Boutique Hotel Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, variations and acceleration.

Steam Generator Replacement, Nuclear Power Station – Turbine Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to defend claims for additional time and payment under a series of NEC3-based adjudications.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Water Treatment Plant Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims for additional time and payment arising out of delay, variations, acceleration and changes to employer policies.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Turbine Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims for additional time and payment arising out of delay, variations, additional labour costs, changed employer policies and civil unrest.

Steam Generator Replacement, Nuclear Power Station – Turbine Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to defend claims for additional time and payment under a series of NEC3-based adjudications.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Miscellaneous Buildings Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims for additional time and payment arising out of multiple events, across in excess of 80 buildings as Sections, with four separate and independent cost/resource bases.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Control & Instrumentation Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, variations, changed circumstances.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Boiler Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims to support extensions of time and payment arising out of delay, variations, additional labour costs, changed employer policies and civil unrest.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Balance of Plant Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims to support extensions of time and payment arising out of delay, variations and changes to the manner, sequence and timing of the works.

New Coal-Fired Power Station – Civil Works Package, RSA

Appointed by state owned employer to review and defend claims for additional time and payment arising out of multiple events, submitted separately and in isolation across in excess of 1,500 claim submissions.

Oil Refinery Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to review and enhance claims for additional time and payment under a bespoke EPC contract for a US\$ 1.4billion crude tanks and crude tankage support facilities project.

Mixed-Use Complex (Hotel, Mall, Commercial and Residential), GCC

Appointed by MEP sub-contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time, additional time related and labour costs arising out of delay, disruption and variations.

Island Resort, Spa and Villa Project, GCC

Appointed by developer to deconstruct and defend contractor's claims for extensions of time and additional payment.

Oil Refinery Project, GCC

Appointed by owner operator of oil refinery to defend and assess package contractor's claims for extension of time and additional payment arising out of delay, variations, disruption and changed circumstances.

Oil Pipeline Project, GCC

Appointed by EPC contractor to prepare claims to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, thickening and varied works.

High Rise Twin Tower Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, varied works and issues with response façade curtain walling system on investment council headquarter project.

Luxury Villa Community Project, GCC

Appointed by developer to deconstruct and defend contractor's claims for extensions of time and additional payment arising out of prolongation and varied works on a new development consisting of 306 luxury villas under a contract for AED 1.6billion.

New Island Infrastructure Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of arbitration to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay and prolongation.

Water Installation Project, GCC

Appointed by designer to prepare claims for additional payment arising in consequence of acceleration on a US\$ 75M iconic water feature.

High Rise Residential and Commercial Project, GCC

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, thickening, varied works additional manpower on a project entailing three high rise towers and linked podium.

Oil Refinery Project, GCC

Appointed by owner operator of oil refinery to defend and assess package contractor's claims for extension of time and additional payment arising out of delay, variations and changed circumstances.

Nuclear Waste Project Storage Facility, UK

Appointed by EPC contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, prolongation, thickening and changes to the employer's requirements.

PFI Hospital Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims for additional time and payment on a GBP 371M new hospital project.

High Rise Residential Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, prolongation and varied works.

High Rise Residential Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims for extensions of time, additional costs and varied works arising out of a major fire and associated damage, as an insurance related event under the project's joint insurance policy.

New Bridge Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare submissions relating to delay and additional payment as compensation events under NEC3-based contract.

Oriental Boutique Hotel, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay and prolongation.

City Centre Regeneration Project, UK

Appointed by design and build contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay and prolongation on a GBP 110M commercial and leisure urban regeneration project.

PFI New Schools Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims for additional time and increased value under guaranteed maximum price target contract involving multiple new schools projects under a GBP 175M programme.

Gas Compression Plant, UK

Appointed by pipework and pipe rack fabrication and installation contractor to prepare claims for extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, prolongation and reduced productivity.

Major Talled Motorway Project, UK

Appointed by design and build contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication to support extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, prolongation and acceleration on a GBP 480M new tolled motorway.

New Museum Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims in contemplation of adjudication for extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay and prolongation.

High Rise Residential Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare claims for extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay, prolongation and variations.

PPP New Schools Project, UK

Working for PPP contractor in the management and commercial control of the inception, feasibility studies, design and construction of multiple schools under Public Private Partnership initiative contracting arrangement.

Combined Heat and Power Plant Project, UK

Appointed by pipework fabrication and installation contractor to prepare claims for extensions of time and additional costs arising out of delay and prolongation.

New Airport Terminal, UK

Appointed by airport authority to defend and settle multiple package contract disputes and final accounts, including approx. one third of which that involved insolvency.

City Centre Retail Refurbishment Project, UK

Appointed by specialist steelwork fabrication and erection sub-contractor to value the final account including the valuation of multiple disputed variations.

Hospital Redevelopment Project, UK

Appointed by specialist glazing and curtain walling sub-contractor to prepare claims for extensions of time and additional costs, and to value variations on multiple buildings (newbuild and refurbished) on a major new hospital redevelopment project.

Church Restoration Project, UK

Appointed by contractor to prepare submissions and entitlement documents for the valuation of disputed variations.

Mixed Use (Commercial, Retail and Hotel) Project, UK

Working for Construction Management Contractor in the deconstruction and defence of multiple package contractor claims for extensions of time and additional payment.

New Office Complex, UK

Appointed by specialist steelwork fabrication and erection sub-contractor to value the final account including the valuation of multiple disputed variations.