



Mr Seth Handley

Curriculum Vitae

Qualifications, Training, Accreditation

Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Legal Studies, 2007, The City University, London,

Postgraduate Diploma in Law with Commendation, 2001, BPP Law School,

Master of Science in Construction Law and Arbitration, 1999, King's College London,

Postgraduate Diploma in Architecture, 1994, The University of Westminster,

Bachelor of Science (Hons), architecture, planning, building, environmental studies 1992, UCL,

National Diploma in Engineering, Civil Engineering with Distinction, 1988, D.I.T.,

National Diploma in Construction Studies (architecture), 1984, LCoACT.

Past and Present Positions

2009 to Present: principal of RIBA Chartered Practice 'AEW architecture and expert witness' working on residential projects of construction cost £50k to £500k,

2008 to 2009: employed expert witness at Probyn Miers, working on expert reports for residential, office and hotel developments,

2007 to 2008: Senior architect and project architect at Wilkinson Eyre Architects, working on residential and office developments,

2006 to 2007: Senior architect at Glen Morley, Eric Parry, Zaha Hadid, working on residential, hotel and Olympic swimming projects,

2005 to 2006: senior architect and Team leader at Nightingale Associates, working on Peterborough major hospital,

2004 to 2005: senior architect and project architect at Anshen Dyer, working on Manchester children's hospital,

1994 to 2004: architect, senior architect, project architect at Rolfe Judd Architecture, working on residential and office projects,

1990 to 1990: architectural technician for Storehouse, for four months of summer, working on a major shopping unit,

1988 to 1989: architectural technician at Richard Seifert & Partners also GMW Partnership, working on residential and office developments,

1985 to 1988: associate for architectural and engineering projects at Gai associates, working on residential developments and a micro hydro electric scheme,

1984 to 1985: architectural technician at Eric Thompson & Associates, working on a shopping centre, train station



development,

1983 to 1983: architectural technician at Thurlock McKeivitt architects, for summer months, working on residential projects.

Principal Professional Specialism

Seth specialises in the technical side of all stages of the design process for a wide variety of building types. Seth specialises in the technical aspects of planning, building control, tender documentation and contract administration. Seth's present architectural work is primarily in relation to residential developments. Seth has recently obtained planning permission for a four dwelling development including change of use and extension of an existing Victorian building, adding an extra floor with a new chalet style house within the site. This project involved a change of use from restaurant to residential flats, adding a floor to make one flat Duplex. It also included the design of a new chalet-style house. Seth has recently obtained planning, building control agreement and tendered, prepared the contract for a development of an 1850s house, side extension for full depth, rear extension of 6m and loft conversion of 50m³ volume. This project has a construction cost of over £400k plus VAT. Seth has another of his designs, a 6m rear extension, almost completed, with spiral cellar, terrazzo heated floor and sedum roof, of construction cost £200k plus VAT.

Seth has recently been a Court approved Joint Expert concerning a housing development in Haringey, regarding the builder's final account. He received the Court's approval to answer further, questions on his report.

Seth has recently prepared a report for three joint claimants, each with a new house, where the ground floor has collapsed. This report looks at the design and contract administration.

Seth has recently prepared expert advice concerning two developments for a client, both projects were extensively delayed with one not finishing. This advice looks at the contract administration.

Seth has recently prepared a report for a client concerning significant defects that remained after Practical Completion following the redevelopment of a detached house in Ballsbridge, Dublin.

Seth has recently acted as an expert instructed on behalf of a builder, in relation to a dispute concerning defective work, where the builder was removed from site, without notice.

Seth has also recently acted as an expert for a specialist supplier, installer of roof-lights, to an art gallery in central London and a large factory in North London.

Seth has prepared a report concerning an architect's extending the design outside the surveyed area, requiring a rock face to be removed to realise it. Seth was cross examined on this report in the TCC.

Seth has prepared a report concerning an architect's writing a professional consultant's certificate before a house, stables purchase.

Seth has also prepared a report concerning the defective design contract administration of a stone slate roof to a Town Hall.

Membership of Professional Organisations

Academy of Experts, 2012, Practicing Member,



Degree of an Utter Barrister, 2007, The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn,

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 2006, Fellow,

Royal Institute of British Architects, 1995, Corporate Member,

Architects Registration Council UK, 1995, registered as an architect.

Written Work,

“The changing use of, and relief from; ‘Penalties’, and their effect on construction Contracts”, 1999, Centre of Construction Law, Kings College London, Dissertation, 95 pages.

“Lloyds and Revolutionary architecture”, 1993, University of Westminster, Dissertation, 120 pages.

“Small scale Hydro Electric Development at Beauparc, County Meath, 1988, DIT, Dissertation (distinction), 193 pages.

Training qualifications and accreditation as an expert witness

Seth worked as an employed architect expert in Central London, before leaving to concentrate on his own projects and expert witness work. Seth is a practising member of the Academy of Experts and regularly attends expert witness CPDs at the Academy of Experts.

Seth attended the Advanced Report Writing training day at the Academy of Experts in May 2016.

Seth is due to attend a training day at the Academy of Experts entitled; ‘Into Court’ in June 2016.