Leon Clarke BSc (Hons) MRICS MFPWS ICIOB

LMC SURVEYING SERVICES

Core Skills

- Building Surveying
- Project Management
- Contract Administration
- Expert Witness
- Party Wall
- Building Pathology
- Planning and Building Applications
- Condition Surveys
- Schedule of Condition
- Insurance Reinstatement Works
- Measured Surveys
- AutoCAD
- Internal Design and Space Planning
- Schedules of Condition
- Refurbishment and Alterations

Additional Roles and Responsibilities

- Asset Manager
- Mentor to APC and junior building surveyors

Qualifications

- BSc (Hons) Building Surveying (2004)
- CIOB Professional Examinations Part 1 & 2 (2000)
- HNC Building Studies (BTEC) (1992)
- Part 3 Certificate in Computer Aided
- Engineering, Advanced Computer-Aided Draughting and Design (C&G) (2005)
- Advance Craft Carpentry & Joinery (C&G)

Professional Memberships

- Member of the Royal Chartered Institution of Surveyors (RICS)
- Member of the Faculty of Party Wall
- Surveyors (FPWS)
- Incorporate Member of the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB)

Courses

- Asbestos Awareness and the Management of Asbestos (2020)
- Legionella (2019)
- CDM 2015 (2019)
- Working at Height (2017)
- RICS Expert Witness Certificate (2019)
- London Landlord Accreditation Scheme.
- BRE Academy Fire Door Inspection Training

 BRE Academy – Fire Stopping and Compartmentation

General Experience

Chartered Building Surveyor with over 25 years' experience within the building industry. Initially starting in local government as a carpenter working in both the public and private sectors. Skills have been developed through work experience and academic qualifications from working as a carpenter to being a Chartered Surveyor where professional qualification was achieved in 2009.

Throughout my working career, I have gained a considerable amount of experience on building pathology within the commercial and residential sectors; with a particular interest in housing maintenance and advising on recommendations of repair.

I have a working knowledge of the JCT Suite of Contracts and good understanding of the NEC Contracts.

My work experience has been gained within the residential sector, court buildings, offices, industrial units and schools.

I have gained experience working as an Asset Manager where a great emphasis has been placed on the responsibility and delivery of capital and revenue projects, insurance works and housing disrepair.

Party Wall Experience

I have worked with Party Wall matters for approximately 10 years initially supporting the named surveyor in all aspects with the requirements of the Act.

During my experience within Party Wall matters I have been appointed as the named surveyor for both the Building Owner and Adjoining Owner, and in some cases as the Agreed Surveyor representing both parties. Since September 2019, I have been a full member of the Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors.





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Expert Witness Experience

Over the last three years, I have taken instructions and appointments directly from Solicitors, carried out inspections and written expert reports where I have specialised in housing disrepair.

Initially my training within expert witness work started whilst supporting an expert who had been appointed as a single party expert or single joint expert. My role included the support of the inspection and the writing of the report.

Within the same company I have acted directly as a Single Joint Expert within housing disrepair claims where I have taken instructions directly from Solicitors.

As an Asset Manager/Building Surveyor working on the client's side, I have carried out inspections with appointed experts and have worked with Solicitors to discuss the processes of litigation.

Within my role as an Asset Manager for a leading Housing Association I was required to review expert reports, carry out joint inspections with experts, liaise with Solicitors and attend court hearings.

Example of Expert Witness Appointments

Single Joint Expert on behalf of contractor (claimant) v Building Owner (Defendant) concerning various building works.

Single Joint Expert acting for a Housing Association (Claimant) v Tenant (Defendant), where a tenant has also issued a counter claim against the Landlord for disrepair.

Career Profile

2019 to Present – LMC Surveying Services - Chartered Building Surveyor specialising in Party Wall, Expert Witness, Schedules of Condition, Building Pathology and Project Management.

2017 – 2019. Chartered Building Surveyor with Sharp & Bentley, working on a range of professional services for private and commercial clients including party wall matters, expert witness, contract administration and project work.

2016 - 2017. Chartered Building Surveyor with Glenny LLP, working on new build projects using the D&B contract and Schedules of Condition

2014 – 2016. Asset Services Manager for Sanctuary Housing. A client role managing a team of Area Building Surveyors. Responsible for capital and revenue work.

2007 – 2014. Chartered Building Surveyor with EC Harris LLP (Arcadis). General building surveying duties working in schools, banks, offices, libraries, private homes and public buildings.

Additional Information

I have obtained an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) security clearance, which has allowed me to work in schools and court buildings.

I regularly undertake CPD (Continued Professional Development) to ensure that I am up to date with my chosen area of expertise, current legislation and to the requirement of the RICS.



