

ANDREW GOUD
BEng CEng MICE CEDR Registered Mediator
Commercial Mediator & Structural Engineer

Dispute Resolution Experience



Practising Structural Engineer since 1982 with a specialism in Construction, Structural Engineering and Insurance. He has successfully mediated construction disputes involving works at a large football club and defects in connection with a new property.

He was an Insurance auditor for a large insurer providing advice and assessments on disputes, which had arisen particularly on large and difficult insurance claims involving subsidence, fire and flood. Used his dispute resolution skills to analyse the issues and prepare a way forward to bring the claim to a speedy resolution.

He has acted as a structural engineering expert for a three-day mediation. This involved design errors on a large hospital construction extension. The dispute involved a claim against the professional team employed by the Health Trust, who in turn counter claimed their fees. The case settled after three days. He has acted on a range of mediations bringing his Civil & Structural Engineering skills to bear on several slope stabilisation/land slippage disputes. He has co-mediated on a construction dispute arising from the extension of cricket club facilities, a construction dispute on a West Midlands farm and a £40,000.00 employment discrimination dispute where he worked with a lady mediator.

Mediations Include

- **Multi party experience.** Worked with a mediator to encourage the three defendants, (acting as one) to make sensible offers following a claim of £4 million by the claimant.
- **Construction.** He successfully mediated a 45k defects dispute on a new house and a £150k construction claim for a football club in their dispute with the engineer. His experience in construction brings independent advice to assist mediations on a wide variety of disputes including design defects, final account disputes, slope stabilisation disputes and PI Claims.
- **Employment disputes.** Resolution of a dispute involving employment and discrimination issues. Worked with a lady mediator.
- **Expert Witness.** Acted as a structural engineering expert witness in connection with a large construction dispute involving defective design to the roof construction.
- **Personal Injury.** Acted as co mediator in family dispute involving long term injury following accident
- **IT Dispute.** Successful resolution of an IT installation dispute at solicitor's offices.
- **Partnership dispute.** Problems arising following a buy out of an Accountancy practice.

Commercial Experience

Structural Engineering director for a wide variety of projects including industrial buildings, coal mine facilities, commercial offices, health care facilities, schools, churches & hotels. His experience ranges from the design elements up to project director. The largest scheme involved a £35 million extension for a paper mill facility in Gloucester.

He is a Director of North West Subsidence Group Ltd and Northern Subsidence Group Ltd, two consortium companies set up to service large national insurance contracts, He was seconded for 18 months as MD of Premier UK Ltd, a national company involving eight consulting engineering practices (total turnover £30million.) He was involved in marketing strategy, company direction, and partnership development

He has acted as Expert Witness in a whole range of disputes, both on the commercial and domestic properties. His commercial experience includes defective roof design, a defective external paving dispute at a freight terminal, advice on roof collapse from an industrial building. His domestic experience includes preparation on independent structural reports on properties affected by structural damage and claims made against Structural Engineers. He has handled a wide range of subsidence claims in behalf of Loss Adjusters and Insurance Companies. He has also undertaken a claims audit for insurance claims.

Other Interests

Lay leader in a local church. Actively involved with a large local children's charity working with inner city children

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