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Date of birth: 9th May 1950. Chartered Architect since 1978.  
Present position: Director, Elden Minns & Co. Ltd., Chartered Architects, Surveyors.

### **Dispute resolution experience**

Expert Witness in Building Defects, Professional Negligence and other construction related disputes since 1979. Evidence given to County Courts, High Courts, attendance at the Appeal Court, Arbitrations, and Planning Inquiries on behalf of both Appellants and Local Planning Authorities.

To date I have been instructed about a hundred and fifty times by a number of solicitors, but also directly by building owners seeking advice about perceived problems prior to their deciding whether to commence proceedings.

The range of matters for which instructions have been given is very wide, from defective waterproofing of a basement in Worcestershire, to delay and its contractual implications for a housing development in Lowestoft! The matters have involved many different aspects of the construction industry, but generally have fallen within the realms of alleged professional negligence, alleged defective construction, or alleged contractual breaches. I have also been instructed in personal injury matters requiring specialist design for adaptations of the homes of those injured, and the valuation of those proposals for the purposes of assessing this part of the quantum of their claim.

In addition to carrying out inspections, studying papers and preparing preliminary and then revised reports for exchange and submission to the Court, I have been involved by Instructing Solicitors with Conferences with Counsel, to assisting in the drafting of Particulars of Claim/Counterclaim, to preparing Scott Schedules, to assisting with Discovery, and to preparing joint reports with Experts to other parties, after attending meetings with them as ordered by the Courts. I have been appointed as Single Joint Expert by the Court.

I have also held appointments as **Arbitrator**, **Mediator** and **Conciliator** in building disputes.

### **Career**

Experience as Architect of a wide range of building projects, mostly in conservation field, comprising Ecclesiastical, residential, industrial, monument and other building types.

1971-75: Architectural Assistant: Damond Lock Grabowski and Partners, London  
1977: Architectural Assistant: D. J. Curtis & Associates, Wakefield  
1978: Architect: S. Elden Minns & Partners, Sheffield  
1979-89: Partner: S. Elden Minns & Partners  
1989: Director (Managing): Elden Minns & Co. Ltd., Sheffield

### **Overseas experience**

Visiting and supervisory in Romania. Lived in various Mediterranean countries as a boy.

### **Official positions held**

Ecclesiastical Architects & Surveyors Association: Past President, Secretary.  
Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings: Member General Committee.  
International Council on Monuments & Sites (UK): Member International Committee.  
Academy of Experts: Member of Fellowship Application Committee.

### **Other activities**

Course tutor at the Architectural Association, London Post Graduate Building Conservation Course.  
Associate lecturer Traditional Building Repairs to post graduate students at Sheffield Hallam University.  
UK Architect to Transylvanian Trust/Institute of Historic Building Conservation, Banffy Castle Restoration Project, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

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