

Michael Dawson

FRICS, MCIQB, ACII, FCILA, FUEDI-ELAE, Accredited Mediator

Chartered Quantity Surveyor : Chartered Loss Adjuster : Commercial Mediator

Overview:

As a Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Loss Adjuster for over 37 years, Michael has been involved with settlement negotiations for all of his working life. He qualified as an Accredited Mediator in 2008 to use his knowledge and experience in the resolution of civil and commercial disputes, setting up his own practice in 2011. Michael has a quiet but confident manner as a mediator and is able to relate to people at all levels, preferring to listen attentively to the parties, interjecting with questions only when necessary, whilst keeping the mediation moving forward towards an amicable solution.



He is a firm believer in the use of mediation to resolve all manner of disputes and coined the slogan "Don't Litigate - **MEDIATE**".

His website www.michael-dawson.co.uk contains more information.

Detailed Profile:

Commencing work in 1973 as a Quantity Surveyor, Michael gained experience of roads, bridges, structures and drainage associated with motorway construction before working on sewage plants, industrial buildings, retail units and social housing. He also gained experience of specialist subcontract work including industrial roofing and cladding, mastic asphalt and built-up felt roofing.

Whilst working in the construction industry Michael qualified as a Chartered Quantity Surveyor and a Chartered Builder.

His employers included Fairclough Civil Engineering (now Amec plc), Sir Alfred McAlpine, Henry Boot Construction and Briggs Amasco (part of the Tarmac Group).

In 1987 Michael moved into Loss Adjusting, where he continued to use his building and civil engineering knowledge in dealing with insurance claims for a wide range of policies. Over the years he has investigated and settled domestic and commercial claims for buildings and contents, together with Contractors' All Risks, Business Interruption, Public Liability, Products Liability, Goods in Transit, Subsidence and Construction Plant.

In conjunction with the above, Michael qualified as a Chartered Loss Adjuster, Chartered Insurance Practitioner and European Loss Adjusting Expert.

His employers have included Ellis & Buckle (now Cunningham Lindsey), Davies, Buckley Scott Associates and Garwyns.

In 2008, whilst working for Cunningham Lindsey, Michael also qualified as an Accredited Mediator, subsequently being appointed as Head of Mediation Services whilst simultaneously acting in a loss adjusting capacity within the Liability Services Complex Loss team. In addition to mediating commercial disputes, Michael also carries out voluntary community mediation work for Smile Mediation, a charity based in Burnley, an organisation where he also acts as a Director.

Based in North West England, Michael is prepared to travel anywhere in the UK and EU where his construction, insurance and general commercial skills may be of use. His immediate locality includes Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Cheshire, Merseyside and West Yorkshire.

Qualifications:

Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors - FRICS
Member of the Chartered Institute of Building - MCI OB
Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute - ACII
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Loss Adjusters - FCILA
European Loss Adjusting Expert - FUEDI-ELAE
Accredited Mediator

Hobbies / Interests:

Skiing, running, gym training, hill walking, DIY, computers, woodturning

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