

Peter Collie

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Overview

Peter is a dual qualified construction professional and barrister he has 47 years' experience in the construction industry and has worked as legal adviser on major projects around the world. According to The Legal 500 UK Peter has acted in several international multimillion-pound disputes, he "stands out as being a specialist" and is recommended as "extremely knowledgeable, tactical and reliable". After 15 years working in the construction industry, Peter was called to the Bar in 1994 and been in Chambers since 2000.

Academic qualifications

- LLB(Hons)
- LLM
- FCInstCES
- FCIArb
- FCIOB
- FRICS
- FIOC
- LCGI

Professional qualifications & appointments

Peter is on the following panels:

- Arbitration: CIArb, TECBAR, DIAC, GIAC
- Adjudication: RICS, TeCSA, CIArb, CIOB, CIC, TECBAR, ACE (Founder Member), FIDIC, DRBF
- Dispute Boards: DRBF, FIDIC, TECBAR, RICS
- Mediation: RICS, CIArb, Bar Council, TECBAR.

Professional bodies

- Elected Chair of the ARBRIX Construction Group

- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Civil Engineering Surveyors
- Fellow of the Institute of Carpenters
- Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
- Licentiate of the City & Guilds of London Institute
- Member of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple
- Member of the Technology & Construction Bar Association (TECBAR)
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building
- Member of the Dispute Review Board Foundation

Expertise

Construction and engineering

Peter is a dual qualified construction professional and barrister he has 47 years' experience in the construction industry and has worked as legal adviser on major projects around the world. Peter has acted in a wide variety of construction, building, civil engineering, rail, light rail, tram, MRT systems, road, tunnelling, dam construction, mechanical and electrical engineering, water and sewage engineering, power, process plants, clean room and IT disputes, as well as in professional negligence matters involving architects, building surveyors, quantity surveyors, civil engineers, M&E engineers and project managers.

Peter has significant experience of FIDIC, JCT, ICE, NEC, IChemE, IMechE and EPC contracts both in the UK and internationally as well as PFI and PPP experience both in the UK and internationally. Peter negotiated one of the first PFI Hospital projects in the 1990's and since then has been involved in a number of disputes over PFI and PPP infrastructure arrangements both in the UK and Internationally. Peter's international experience includes working in Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Mauritius, Seychelles Central and Southern Africa, Middle East (UAE, Bahrain, KSA), the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, Armenia, Kazakhstan and Kirgizstan.

Peter's experience has seen him acting for parties and sitting as neutral in many jurisdictions and whilst not a civil code lawyer, he has worked on many projects in civil code jurisdictions as such he is well aware of the principles of civil code law and how it differs from common law.

Peter was a member of the FIDIC Contract Committee responsible for drafting the suite of FIDIC Contracts from 2019 until the end of 2023.

Specialist expertise

Peter has particular expertise in dispute resolution, acting as an independent neutral (Arbitrator, Adjudicator, Dispute Board and Mediator). Peter has had over 500 appointments as an independent third party dispute resolver. As such he deals with all types of construction dispute dealing with extensions of time including delay analysis, money claims, change, design, commissioning and performance. Peter spends an increasing period of time assisting parties avoid disputes by combining his legal, neutral and practical skills to understand and then avoid risk.

Dispute Boards (DB, DAB and DRB)

Peter is on the FIDIC President's Panel of Dispute Board Members. He is a member of the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation. Peter is an international adjudicator on Dispute Adjudication Boards, Dispute Resolution Boards and Dispute Avoidance Boards. He has lectured on the benefits of Dispute Boards in the UK, India, Italy, Mauritius and Dubai. He has been appointed to dispute boards by FIDIC, RICS and the ICC. Peter enjoys acting on standing dispute boards where he can use his construction and legal skills to work with the parties to avoid disputes. Peter is a member of the TfL CAP (Conflict Avoidance Panel) and has been appointed several times to make recommendations to the Parties.

Adjudication

Peter is an adjudicator under the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 and internationally under ICC, FIDIC and other adhoc procedures.

Arbitration

Peter is a Chartered Arbitrator and has conducted arbitrations in the UK and internationally.

Mediation

Peter qualified as a mediator on the CEDR training programme in 1999 and has acted regularly as a mediator having dealt with a range of matters including construction disputes, IT, copyright, internet and professional negligence.

Expert determination

Peter has been appointed by third parties and nominating bodies such as the ICC and RICS on numerous occasions to act as "expert" to determine disputes.

Appointments

Examples of Peter's appointments include:

- Appointed Adjudicator on a Waste to Energy Scheme.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a Green Energy Scheme
- Appointed by LCIA as a Member of a 3 person DAB is KSA.
- Appointed as Sole Arbitrator in a FIDIC dispute in Zambia.
- Appointed as Adjudicator on an NEC4 dispute in Botswana.
- Appointed as DB Member on an EPC Electrical Transmission supply installation in Africa.
- Appointed Chair on a DAB dam project in Africa (FIDIC)
- Chairman of a Dispute Board on a Hydro Electric Tunnel and Dam project in Africa (FIDIC)
- Appointed Chair of Dispute Board on a large Railway Project in the Philippines.
- Appointed Member of Dispute Board on a large Railway Project in the Philippines
- Appointed Adjudicator (7 times) on an IT Infrastructure project in London.
- Appointed as member of a 3 man DAB in Armenia.
- Appointed as sole Expert Determiner (DB) on a major project in KSA.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a Major North- South Rail Project in Europe.
- Appointed (twice) as Sole Expert Review Board by ICC on a US$2 Billion PPP gas-fired power station & desalination plant in Bahrain.
- Appointed to a panel of DB members for a Housing Project in Bahrain.
- Appointed Arbitrator on a dispute on a sports facility.
- Appointed as a co Arbitrator by the ICC on a FIDIC dispute in the Caribbean.
- Appointed Arbitrator on a Design Defect Dispute in Northern Ireland.
- Appointed as Expert on a number of PFI projects in the South West of England
- Appointed Adjudicator on a rail station redevelopment project in London.
- Appointed as Arbitrator on a house building project in the UK
- Appointed Co Arbitrator on an Arbitration in the Seychelles.
- Appointed Expert to determine defects on a high rise housing project.
- Appointed Arbitrator on a matter in Mauritius.
- Appointed by the ICC as Chairman of a Dispute Board on a Major Oil Terminal in Europe.
- Appointed Sole Dispute Board for the Design, Build, Operate (FIDID Gold Book) of a Hospital Project in the Caribbean.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a number of underground station refurbishments
- Appointed Sole Dispute Board across two roads projects in Kyrgyzstan.
- Appointed Sole Dispute Review Expert on three road projects and a Road Bridge in Africa
- Appointed Sole Standing Dispute Board across 3 Roads Contracts (FIDIC) in Georgia by ICC
- Appointed Sole Standing Dispute Board across 2 Roads Contracts (FIDIC) in Kazakhstan
- Adjudicator on a dispute over a fit out of a pharmaceutical facility

- Adjudicator in a dispute over the construction of a Waste to Power Project.
- Adjudicator in a dispute over the design of the work in an EPC Waste to Power Project.
- Appointed as a dispute avoider (6 different appointments to date) on Crossrail projects (TfL CAP) circa £14.8 Billion
- Appointed as Adjudicator on a £140million high rise mixed development project in London
- Appointed as Adjudicator on a £3million professional negligence claim on a roads project in Scotland.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a dispute over a Flood Defence Scheme
- Appointed 4 times as Adjudicator on a housing development in London.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a M&E dispute on a Project in Belfast.
- Appointed Adjudicator on LPG Terminal in the UK.
- Appointed as Sole Arbitrator on a construction dispute in the UK.
- Representing a contractor in an ICC Arbitration relating to a PPP Desalination Plant in Saudi Arabia.
- Representing a government in an arbitration over an Infrastructure project in the Caribbean (FIDIC Contract).
- Advising a specialist contractor in relation to several coal fired power stations in South Africa.
- Appointed Adjudicator twice on a £10 million dispute over Construction Halls in a Dockyard
- Appointed twice as Adjudicator in relation to a professional negligence claim on a 5 star Hotel.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a Design and Build dispute at a Sewerage Works
- Appointed Adjudicator on a Shopping and Hotel complex in the UK.
- Appointed Adjudicator 4 times on a Combined Cycle Power Station in the UK.
- Appointed Adjudicator on an Olympic 2012 Legacy Project.
- Appointed Arbitrator on a dispute in Mauritius.
- Appointed Adjudicator on a dispute over a Waste to Energy and Composting Facility.
- Acting as co-arbitrator (DIAC) in a dispute over the termination of a contract for a large water plant (UAE).
- Acting as co-arbitrator (DIAC) on a dispute over professional fees and alleged negligence (UAE).
- Appointed as Adjudicator on four disputes over a new Football Stadium
- Appointed Adjudicator on a dispute over the Media Centre for the London 2012 Olympics.
- Appointed as Adjudicator 5 times in relation to disputes under an NEC Contract.
- Appointed Adjudicator 5 times in relation to disputes over the construction of a boutique hotel.
- Appointed as Arbitrator on a dispute over professional fees.
- Appointed as Arbitrator on a dispute over the construction of a large private residence.
- Arbitration (FIDIC); Representing a specialist erection company in relation to a dispute over the erection of wind turbines in the North Sea.
- Advising a blue-chip client with regard to their contractual entitlement in relation to a large PFI Light Rail Infrastructure Project in a £45 million dispute.
- Acting as adjudicator on a FIDIC engineering contract in a circa £10 million dispute over the construction of a power station.
- Sole Dispute Board Member on a dispute over water and sewerage installation in Bulgaria.
- Representing a contractor in relation to sewage works scrubbing plant disputes.
- Representing the employer (HAT) in a major claim for breach of contract and professional negligence.
- Acting as mediator in a five-party dispute in relation to high aluminium concrete structures.
- Advising on a contract for the construction of an international airport.

Other activities

Peter was appointed to FIDIC's Contracts Committee for the term 2020 to 2023. He was a visiting lecturer on the MSc in Construction Law at the University of Wolverhampton and the LL.M at Nottingham Law School. He lecturers, examines and assesses candidates for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the RICS. He lectures regularly for the CIOB, RICS, CIArb and various clients. He is the author of the CIArb's book "Introduction to Adjudication". He is a member of the Chartered Institute of Building's Contracts and Procurements SIG Committee. He was part of the working party revising the RICS Practice Note on Surveyor's Acting as Expert Witnesses 4th Edition. He is the Chair of the working party currently revising the RICS Practice Note on Surveyor's Acting as Expert Witnesses. He Chaired a Webinair on Procurement Law and co-presented a Webinair on the NEC3 suit of contracts. He lectures around the world on construction administration and construction law issues.

He was awarded the Chartered Institute of Building's Silver Medal for the Contract Administration Paper of the Membership Examination in 1988. In May 2022 the DRBF awarded him their Distinguished Service Award.

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