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## **EXPERT WITNESS CASES**

Civil liability claim for inadequate security in empty building (for Claimant)

Civil liability claim for hot work fire in historic building (for Claimant)

Insurers liability to compensate insured in alleged arson fire (for Claimant)

Efficacy of security precautions (for Claimant)

Arbitration case: new fire product and British Standards (for Complainant)

Adequacy of fire protection system to meet regulatory requirements (for Claimant)

Efficacy of fire precautions (for Claimant)

Liability for injury in respect of ineffective security measures (for Claimant)

Confidential security matter involving appearances before the Inland Revenue Special

Commissioners (for HM Chief Inspector of Taxes).

Fatality resulting from inadequate security measures (for Defendant – HSE Case)

Loss caused as result of allegedly ineffective security (for Defendant

Loss caused by flood due to alleged negligent work on sprinkler system (for Defendant - Ireland)

Alleged non-compliance with warranty in respect of hot work (for Defendant - Ireland)

Denial of fire insurance claim due to allegation of non-compliant security measures (for Claimant)

Criminal liability in respect of ineffective security measures (for Defendant)

Civil liability in respect of ineffective security measures (for Claimant)

Liability in respect of traumatic injury suffered as consequence of ineffective security (for Claimant)

Liability of insurer in case where fire warranty clauses were breached (for Defendant)

Denial of fire insurance claim (for Claimant)

Denial of fire insurance claim as a result of error by security personnel (for Defendant)

Part 20 Claim against security contractor in respect of burglary (for Defendant)

Determination of extent of fire resulting from failure of a sprinkler system (for Claimant)

Liability for injury to employee resulting from poor security training (for Claimant)

Liability for damage resulting from advice given by fire protection supplier (for Claimant)

Liability for major fire resulting from defective sprinkler system/ inappropriate actions by security (For Claimant)

Denial of liability for major insurance claim for construction site fire (for Defendant)

Liability for injury incurred during robbery at building society (for Claimant)

Liability for injury incurred during robbery/ram-raid at bank (for Defendant)

Liability for injury incurred during robbery at a construction site sales office (for Claimant)

Hot work fire determination whether insured person complied with warranty condition (for Defendant)

Liability for injury incurred by employee during a bank robbery/ramraid (for Defendant)

Liability for injury incurred in a superstore (for Defendant)

Liability for gunshot wound occasioned during robbery (for Claimant)

Consultancy advice preparatory to resisting an insurance claim for fire damage on a

construction project as a result of non-compliance with a fire protection endorsement (for insurers)

Consultancy advice preparatory to possible litigation following a fire in a biomass power station (for insured)

Efficacy of sprinkler systems in a warehouse fire (for Claimant)

Liability for Injury/PTSD occasioned after repeat robberies in a betting shop (for Claimant)

Liability of police authority to pay damages for property destroyed in a riot (for Defendant)

Liability for injury/PTSD following robbery in a bank (SJE)

Efficacy of impaired sprinkler system (For Claimant)

Liability for injury/PTSD following robbery in a supermarket (For Defendant)

Liability for injury/PTSD following a construction site fire (For Pursuer)

Efficacy of sprinkler system and liability for excessive water damage (for Claimant in Singapore courts)

Liability for fire damage resulting from negligence of security contractor (For Claimant)

Liability of insurer for damage following fire resulting from riot (For Claimant)

Allegation of breach of intellectual property rights (for Defendant in German courts) Interpretation of fire suppression system specification (for Part 20 Defendant) Compliance with standards for a watermist system (for Pursuer)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

April 2000 – December 2015

**Secretary General/Director, British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association** 

November 1998 - Present

**Director, Loss Prevention Consultancy Ltd** 

July 1997 - December 1998 **Group Security and Loss Prevention Controller, Asprey Group plc** 

February 1989 - June 1997

Director, The Fire Protection Association/Head of External Affairs, Loss Prevention Council (also from April 1996 - June 1997): Director-General, Arson Prevention Bureau

September 1987 - January 1989

**County Civil Protection Officer, Cambridgeshire County Council** 

September 1982 - August 1987

Security Advisor, Ministry of Works, Power and Water, State of Bahrain Manager, Risk Control Department, Power and Water Affairs

1981 - 1982

Director and General Manager, AFA Minerva (Thorn EMI) Hong Kong Ltd.

1978 - 1981

Loss Prevention Engineer, China Light & Power Co Ltd., Hong Kong

1977 - 1978

Fire, Safety and Security Advisor, Libyan Institute of Petroleum, Tripoli, Libya

1975 - 1977

Assistant Director of Safety and Security, King Faisal Medical City, Saudi Arabia

1974 - 1975

**District Security Officer, Ealing Health District** 

1971 - 1975

Commissioned Service, Infantry, Corps of Royal Military Police (V)

1966 - 1969

Service with **Hong Kong Police Force** as an Inspector also 1979 -1982 service as an Inspector with Royal HK Auxiliary Police Force.

## **EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL**

1956 - 1961	Blairmore School, Common Entrance
1961 - 1965	St Bees School
1965 - 1966	Aberdeen College of Commerce
1969 - 1973	University of Aberdeen, MA
1977	Institute of Industrial Security, Member (By examination)
1977	Institute of Fire Prevention Officers, Member
1979	Institution of Fire Engineers, Member (By examination)
1979	Institute of Fire Prevention Officers, Fellow
1980	Institute of Industrial Security, Fellow (By dissertation)
1984	Certified Protection Professional (US) (By examination)
1986	Institute of Risk Management, Fellow
1994 - 1996	University of Leicester, MSc (Security & Risk Management)
1995	Institution of Fire Engineers, Fellow
1999	Institute of Fire Safety Managers, Fellow
2000	The Security Institute, Fellow
2003	Fellow, Society of Antiquaries, Scotland
2006	Life Vice President, Institute of Fire Safety Managers
2011	Life Vice President, Security Institute
2011	Chartered Security Professional

#### OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Chairman, HK Branch, International Professional Security Association 1979-81 Lecturer, Security Studies, HK Polytechnic 1979-82

Licensed by HK Fire Services Department as Class I, II and III Fire Service Contractor Prepared several HK Fire Services Department Fire Service Circulars

Member, NFPA Committee on Non-Nuclear Power Generation (NFPA 850/1) 1980 - 88 Vice Chairman, Middle East Chapter, American Society for Industrial Security 1985-87

President, Industrial Fire Protection Association 1989 - 97

Freeman, City of London 1991

Vice Chairman, Confederation of Fire Protection Associations - Europe 1992 - 97

Chairman CFPA Europe Hotel Fire Safety Working Party 1992-4

Special Expert Member, NFPA Committee on Cultural Resources (NFPA 914/920) 1991-

Vice Chairman, Federation of British Fire Organisations – 1992-97

Special Expert Member, NFPA Committee on Security (NFPA 730, 731) 2002 -

Governor, Institute of Risk Management, 1993 - 99

Expert Witness, Bailey Enquiry into Fire Safety in the Royal Palaces (1993)

Security Adviser, Pool Reinsurance Ltd 1990-94

Insurance Industry Rep., Inspectorate of the Security Industry, 1993-97

Member, Contact Group, Government Deregulation Initiative 1993-4

Vice chairman, Security Industry Lead Body (1993 - 95)

President, Institute of Fire Safety Management, 1997 - 2005; Life Vice President 2006 Member, Advisory Board, Cranfield Security Centre, RMCS Cranfield University, 1998 - 2001

Secretary and then Vice Chairman. The Security Institute, 1999 – 2007

Director, The Security Institute, 2000 - 2007

Member, Home Office/ODPM Fire Safety Advisory Board/Cost of Fire Working Group 2000 - 2004

Member, Fire Safety Advisory Board/Fire Statistics Sub Committee, 2000-2007

UK Nominee to European Science Foundation COST C17 Project and chair of WG2 2003-6

Board Member, Security and Risk Studies Institute, Rome, 2001-2005

Director, Fire Industry Confederation, 2000-2007

Member, ODPM Review Group on Fire Safety Order 2003 - 4

UK Delegate and Chairman of WG2 to EC COST C17 Programme - Protection of Heritage 2002 - 2007

Lead Trainer in Fire Safety and Business Continuity Management for British Institute of Facilities Management/Quadrilect Conferences & Training 1998 – 2018

Secretary General and Director, British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association 2000 - 2016

Convener, Sprinkler Coordination Group 2008 - 2015

Council member, Federation of British Fire Organisations 2005 - 2012

Council member, Fire Industry Coordination Group 2008 – 2010

Council member, Fire Safety Federation 2012 - 2015

Council Member and Director, Business Sprinkler Alliance 2010 – 2015

Vice Chairman, Fire Services National Museum Trust 2015 -

Chair, BAFSA Watermist WG

# BSi COMMITTEES/LOSS PREVENTION COUNCIL/ABI WORKING PARTIES

Fires on Construction Sites (Secretary)

Gas Turbine Fire Protection (Chairman)

Empty Premises (Chairman)

Protection of Heritage Buildings (Chairman)

Electrical Safety (Chairman)

London Groundwater

Fire Safety in the Food Industry (Chairman)

Halon Replacements

Terrorism and Security

Keyholding and Alarm Response

Water Supplies and Sprinkler Systems

Adviser on security and business continuity to Pool Re Ltd for terrorism cover

# **BSi Committee Memberships**

Fire (F)

Fire protection systems (FSH/18)

Security services (GW/3)

Sprinkler systems (FSH/18/2)

Watermist systems FSH/18/5)

Fire terminology (FSH/9)

Review of PD7974-4 (Application of fire safety engineering principles to the design of

buildings: fire protection systems)

Review of BS 5306 Part 0

Also contributed text to BS 7913: Conservation of Historic Buildings, BS 5454: Archives

## **MAJOR PUBLICATIONS**

A Dictionary of Industrial Security, London, 1987: Routledge and Kegan Paul

Fire Safety in Hotels: Recommendations for Europe, (Editor) London, 1993: Fire Protection Association

Heritage Under Fire, (Editor) London, 1995: Fire Protection Association.

An Introduction to Physical Security, (Editor) London, 1996: The Loss Prevention Council

Arson and its Causes: MSc dissertation, University of Leicester 1996

European Hotel Fire Safety: An Analysis of the Implementation and Impact of the 1986 EC Recommendations 666 on Fire Safety in Existing Hotels, IFTO, London, 2000

TAN 22 Fire Risk Management in Heritage Buildings, Edinburgh, 2001: Historic Scotland TAN 28 Fire Safety Management in Historic Buildings, 2005, Historic Scotland Security Report 2006, (Editor) 2006, Workplace Law Publishing Guide for Practitioners No 7: Fire Safety Management in Traditional Buildings, 2010, Historic Scotland. (Note this is an Approved Code of Practice under Scottish Building Standards) Practice Note: Construction Site Fire Safety Management, 2016, Association for Project Safety

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