

# curriculum vitae

## Gary Reeve BSc MRICS Building Consultancy Director



Gary Reeve is a Chartered Building Surveyor and Director of Richard Jackson Building Consultants, where he has operational responsibility for the building consultancy business across the office network of Richard Jackson. He currently works between the company's head office in Hadleigh (Ipswich) and the London office.

He has a degree in Building Surveying and became a professional member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in 2008. He is the RICS contact officer for the practice and was instrumental in obtaining the RICS Designated Professional Body licence which allows the business to undertake insurance mediation work and feature of the FCA Register. He is also an RICS Assessor for the associate membership route to professional qualification.

Gary re-joined the business in January 2012, having previously

worked for Richard Jackson Partnership during the period 1997 to 2005. He was previously a Partner of a prominent Norfolk property consultancy where he headed the building consultancy department. He has also been head of building surveying & project management at an Essex based property consultancy and worked for Halifax General Insurance Services as a claim consultant within the structural claims team.

He has over twenty three years experience in the surveying, insurance and construction arenas, with particular specialisms in insurance surveying (including subsidence, fire, flood, storm & major loss) and dilapidations. His broad experience encompasses expert witness, commercial and residential pre-acquisition surveys, party wall matters, project management, planned maintenance and building defect

analysis (where he has provided expert opinion on such matters as contractor negligence resulting in damage to flat roof finishes; surveyor negligence associated with dry rot; and both quality and quantum disputes surrounding contractor remedial works).

Gary is widely regarded as an expert in insurance surveying and his in depth knowledge and experience of the insurance sector has enabled Richard Jackson to build on its established reputation in this field, acting for insurers, loss adjusters, intermediaries and private clients in the handling of property claims. This has included major & complex losses, surge events, commercial & domestic claims, reinstatement of listed & historic buildings, subsidence, fire, flood and storm claims. Gary is regularly asked to act in the role of expert on contentious building insurance claims and has recently acted for a property

owner in a claim against a major insurer relating to the mitigation and remediation of subsidence damage.

In addition to the above, Gary regularly provides strategic advice to both landlord and tenant clients on a range of contentious and high value dilapidation matters during and at the end of their respective lease terms, with clients including BAA and Stansted Airport Limited. He is able to offer lease advisory services to clients prior to the commencement of the term and frequently advises on the application of diminution under section 18(1) of the Landlord & Tenant Act 1927 at the end of the lease term. Gary has recently acted as an expert in a dispute with London Borough of Tower Hamlets relating to the opposed grant of a new Lease under Section 25 of the Landlord & Tenant Act 1954 due to the state of repair of the demised premises.

## Expert Witness

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