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Dispute Resolution History

In the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Joe has, in the past 25 years, acted as Arbitrator, Adjudicator, Conciliator, Standing Conciliator, Mediator and Expert Determiner on a variety of disputes in Ireland, the UK, and the Middle East.

In Ireland, he sits on many professional ADR Panels of arbitrators, adjudicators, conciliators and mediators for bodies such as the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb), Law Society, Engineers Ireland, Construction Industry Federation, Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR), Single Electricity Market (SEMO) where he also sits as Chairperson of their two Dispute Resolution Panels and formerly the Private Residential Tenancies Board and MII.

He is a Member of the Environmental Facilitation and Mediator Panel for CI Arb.

Joe has been a member of the Irish Government Panel of Construction Adjudicators since the panel was first formed and has been appointed adjudicator many times both in Ireland and England.

Internationally he is a Member of the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration - Arbitrator Panel, the Dubai International Arbitration Centre panel of Arbitrators, the Kigali International Arbitration Centre panel of Arbitrators, the CCPIT / CCOIC (China) International Mediator Panel, and the Mediator panel of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) in London. Joe has served as co-President of the World Forum of Mediation Centres with the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA).

Professional Membership Positions 2002 – 2024

Irish Institutions and panels

- Chairperson and panel member of two Single Electricity Market Dispute Resolution Panels (SEMO/SONI/Eirgrid)
- Irish Government Panel of Construction Adjudicators
- Member of Arbitrator, Adjudicator, Conciliator and Mediator panels for the Law Society, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Construction Industry Federation, Engineers Ireland and CEDR.
- Formerly Irish Courts Service and Chambers Ireland Panel of Mediators
- Member of the Environmental Facilitation and Mediator Panel for CI Arb
- Formerly Practitioner Member with Mediators Institute Ireland

International Institutions

- International President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators 2010
- Certified Mediator with the International Mediation Institute (I.M.I.)
- Member of the Association of Mediation Assessors Trainers & Instructors

International Panels

- Dubai International Arbitration Centre - Arbitrator Panel Member
- Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration - Arbitrator Panel Member
- Kigali International Arbitration Centre – Panel of International Arbitrators
- Member of President's Panel of Mediators with CI Arb in London
- CCPIT / CCOIC (China) - International Mediator Panel

Academic Qualifications

- Fellow in Arbitration & Fellow in Mediation of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Accredited Conciliator with CI Arb / Engineers Ireland
- Accredited Adjudicator with Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb)
- Accredited Mediator, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Advanced Commercial Mediator M.A.T.A
- Mediation Certificate UCD/ M.I.I.
- Diploma in Legal Studies, DLS
- Chartered Engineer and Fellow of Engineers Ireland, CEng FIEI
- Bachelor of Engineering, B.E. Hons, UCD, Ireland

Educational Positions Held

- Currently Chief Assessor for Mediation Accreditation Programme with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in Ireland, the U.K. and Mainland Europe
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Tutor and Course Director for Arbitration, Adjudication and Mediation Courses
- Delivered Mediation Training Programmes at N.U.I. Maynooth in Ireland for the Commercial Mediation element of the Masters and Diploma in Mediation and Conflict Intervention courses
- Lectured in International Dispute Resolution on Masters in Dispute Resolution Course with Independent Colleges, Dublin, Ireland
- Course designer and co-coordinator of Post Graduate Certificate in Adjudication at N.U.I. Maynooth
- Approved Trainer for M.A.T.A. and the Construction Industry Federation's Conflict and Dispute Management Programme

Dispute Resolution Experience

- Appointed in over 70 Arbitrations by Corporate and diverse Institutions as sole Arbitrator and Tribunal member, in Ireland and the UAE
- Appointed by many public bodies and the Construction Industry Federation, Engineers Ireland, and directly by private parties as a Conciliator and Standing Conciliator in numerous construction disputes including those with values in excess of €50m, in Ireland and the UK.
- Appointed by Dept of Education as Standing Conciliator on five major projects and as Conciliator on other school projects throughout Ireland.
- Appointed on numerous occasions as sole and co-Mediator on commercial disputes such as international supply contracts, environmental and land, multi-party service contracts, partnership, family businesses, construction conflicts and business relationships.

Has mediated and co-mediated many family disputes and couple separations.

- Appointed as Adjudicator in numerous construction disputes by the Chairperson of the Irish Government Panel of Construction Adjudicators
- Acted as Adjudicator in UK under the 1996 Housing Grant Act
- Appointed as Expert Determiner by the Law Society, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Engineers Ireland and directly by private parties.
- Appointed by Eirgrid, SEMO, ESB and other parties as Dispute Resolution Board (DRB) one panel member and as a member of a three person DRB on disputes in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland.
- Appointed by EirGrid Ireland (www.eirgrid.com), as National Advisory Committee Facilitator in 2013
- Completed over 150 adjudications for the Private Residential Tenancies Board. All determinations issued were reasoned.

Facilitation

- Facilitated the National Advisory Committee for Eirgrid on the Grid 25 Project
- Facilitated diverse groups in wide ranging disputed issues.
- Facilitated public meetings relating to difficult community issues.

Directorship and Boards

- Joe served as a National Council Member and Director of ISME (Irish Small and Medium Enterprises Association)
- Served as Board member of St Michael's House Housing Association
- In the Charity Sector he served as Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of Open Door in Bray Ireland
- Joe served as Chair of the Business Owners Network with Dublin Chamber of Commerce
- Currently serves on the Insurance Link Oversight Committee (ILOC)

Additional Relevant Information

- Joe, who is a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of Engineers Ireland, has been engaged as Consulting Engineer, Property advisor and Project Manager on a wide variety of building and infrastructural projects during the past 45 years.
- Joe assists the Courts at all levels as expert witness in litigation.
- He designs Conflict Management and Dispute Avoidance Systems for companies and organisations and delivers workshops on these topics throughout Ireland and the UK.
- Over the past 15 years he has delivered lectures and workshops around the world, written many articles and appeared on television and radio programmes.
- Develops and delivers workshops on Effective Stakeholder Engagement