

SIMON MURPHY
CURRICULUM VITAE – REGULATORY/ARBITRATION

Personal Details

Name: Simon J. Murphy BCL, ACI Arb
Address: “Edelweiss, Fountainstown, Co.Cork.
Date of Birth: 16/4/1960
Place of Birth: Cork.

Qualifications:

1. BCL Degree (Hons) – UCC 1980.
2. Qualified as a Solicitor in 1984.
3. Admitted to Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in 2005.
4. CEDR Accredited Mediator since 2006.
5. Member of the Law Society of Ireland Panel of Arbitrators and Panel of Mediators for many years.

Experience

I served most of my qualified experience in the firm of Barry M. O’ Meara & Son Solicitors 18 South Mall, Cork, where I was a Partner from 1988. Since April 2018, following a merger, I am a Partner in the Firm of JRAP O’Meara, Solicitors, 89/90 South Mall, Cork.

Since 2001 I have also held and/or performed numerous **quasi-judicial roles**:

Year

Role

2001-2004

Chairman of the Law Society Regulation of Practice Committee –

This Committee regulates the Solicitors’ Profession against breaches of the Solicitors Acts and Solicitors Accounts Regulations and maintains significant statutory powers in the performance of its functions.

2008-2011

Chairman of the Law Society Complaints and Client Relations Committee –

Prior to the coming into operation of the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015, this Committee dealt with primarily consumer complaints against Solicitors and also maintained significant statutory powers in making findings, imposing sanctions and generally carrying out its functions.

2012-2014

Chairman of the Law Society Education Committee –

A portion of the powers reserved to this Committee is the regulating and monitoring of the Solicitors Profession compliance with CPD obligations.

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| 2015-2016 | President of the Law Society of Ireland. |
| 2007 to date | <p>Statutory Legal Chair of the Veterinary Council of Ireland Fitness to Practise Committee.</p> <p>I am currently serving my fourth consecutive four-year term in this role, which expires in December 2022.</p> <p>In this role I am responsible for the running of Disciplinary Inquiries, heard on sworn evidence and which demands an inherent understanding of Rules of Evidence, Natural Justice and Fair Procedures.</p> <p>The role also requires the ability to write reasoned reports setting out findings of fact and findings of professional misconduct.</p> |
| 2005 to date | <p>Arbitrator</p> <p>During this period, I have conducted over 60 Arbitrations, as Arbitrator, with a significant proportion of these Arbitrations resulting in written reasoned interlocutory determinations or awards following full hearing.</p> |
| 2006 to date | <p>Mediator</p> <p>Having been accredited as a Mediator with the Centre of Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) in 2006, I have since conducted a number of commercial Mediations as Mediator.</p> <p>Other</p> <p>Other roles have included acting as a Legal Assessor in Teaching Council of Ireland Regulatory Hearings and I am also a current serving member of the Conduct Committee, Chartered Accountants Ireland.</p> |

Dated 4 October 2024