



Global Elite Thought Leader  
- Consulting - Quantum  
Delay & Technical 2023

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Construction Experts 2023

Arbitration 2023

## Expert Highlights

- Highly experienced quantity surveyor.
- Proven as a credible witness under cross-examination and during 'hot-tubbing'.
- International experience extends to the Middle East, Europe, Africa and Asia.
- Has delivered expert testimony and opinion on many substantial disputes.
- Ranked as an acclaimed construction expert by Who's Who Legal.
- From 60+ appointments as arbitrator, clearly understands the needs of the tribunal in relation to expert evidence.

Michael Tonkin is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Chartered Arbitrator, RICS Accredited Expert Witness and CEDR Accredited Mediator with over 30 years of construction industry experience. He is an effective dispute resolver and has acted as quantum expert on more than 40 occasions.

“Michael is very pragmatic and cuts through issues very swiftly” “He has a great attention to detail and always delivers on time” “He is an absolute pleasure to work with”

### **WWL Global Elite Thought Leader – Construction Expert Witnesses 2023**

Michael has been a party appointed expert witness, a single joint expert witness and a third-party expert evaluator. He has given oral testimony in traditional cross-examination as well as concurrent evidence (hot-tubbing) in international arbitrations, in Asia, Australasia and the Middle East. Michael often acts as 'coordinating expert' across several disciplines of expert.

Michael regularly provides commercial advice on formal dispute resolution, dispute avoidance and procurement. He is adept in many of the major standard forms of contract and has been employed by government bodies, large private companies, contractors and

## Expert Information

### Qualifications

BSc Quantity Surveying  
PgDip Arbitration  
RICS Accredited Expert Witness  
Bond Solon Expert Witness  
Certificate

## Professional Memberships

FRICS, FCIArb, FCIQB, MAE, FDBF,  
Chartered Arbitrator

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## Services

[Engineering and Construction](#)  
[Quantum](#)

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## Industries

Buildings, Mining and Metals, Oil and  
Gas, Power and Utilities, Production  
and Manufacturing, Transportation  
Infrastructure

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## Regional Experience

Africa, Asia, Europe, Middle East

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subcontractors to advise on commercial matters and procurement.

Michael has extensive experience of commercial negotiations in major projects, particularly where bespoke contracts and innovative methods of procurement have been used. With a background in cost management, he specialises in commercial management, contract management, negotiation, risk management, third party financial reporting and strategic advice. His project experience ranges from major infrastructure and buildings across the Middle East, UK and Asia; power and water in Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Europe; and oil and gas projects in the Middle East and Australasia.

Michael has been appointed as arbitrator on more than 60 occasions (as sole arbitrator, chairman of a tribunal of three, and co-arbitrator) under the auspices of ICC, LCIA, DIAC, ADCCAC and the TAI. He regularly participates in other alternative dispute resolution processes such as adjudication and dispute adjudication boards (DABs). Michael is a trustee and honorary treasurer of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a past chairman and past vice chairman of the UAE branch.

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Peers commend Michael Tonkin as “an excellent quantum expert” in complex arbitration proceedings.

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