

Curriculum Vitae

Qualifications: Open University BSc (Honours) Economics & the Environment.
Postgraduate Certificate in Business Management.
Fellow & Chartered Insurance Practitioner, Chartered Insurance Institute.
NAEA Technical Awards in “Sale of Residential Property” & “Residential Letting and Property Management”.

Career history:

1974–1992

Four companies in the City of London. Final position before “retirement” was Marine Underwriter & Nominated Representative. Reporting to the Board of Directors, I was responsible for all marine insurance risks worldwide (ships, cargoes, yachts, specie, oil rigs et alia). This included underwriting, risk philosophy, claims handling, training and leading a new team, a new database, reinsurance programs and accountability for the acceptance of millions of pounds of risk exposure. The aim was to beat competitors and make an overall profit. Global conditions and proactive management meant the targets on the ten year plan were met or exceeded in five.

1993-2004

A period of self-improvement. On behalf of the Chartered Insurance Institute, I wrote parts of three of the industry textbooks, acted as a distance tutor, examination question setter and lecturer at the College of Insurance. I taught at London Guildhall University and for various international broker organisations. In between I studied at the Open University. My existing qualification of Associate of the C.I.I. was upgraded when I was elected to Fellow. Periods overseas were spent as a customer service representative for two household names in the holiday industry. In 2004 family health reasons forced a return to the UK.

2005-2007

Company “A” Estate & Letting Agents, Gravesend. Working as a negotiator, every aspect of general office duties and sales was undertaken. In a single shop inevitably one became involved in letting/property management issues as well. Being the sole NAEA qualified employee, I ensured that operations and newspaper adverts complied with the Property Misdescriptions Act and remained within NAEA/NALS/Ombudsman rules. The company expanded unwisely into the credit crunch period, leading to many redundancies as the client base evaporated.

2005- present

Disheartened by inadequate care on my 206 unit development, plus the lack of residential control seven years after construction, I researched the Articles & Memorandum of Association and the Companies Acts to find a way to force change. In March 2006 I was elected as a Director of the Management Company. Influential in restoring sound finances and organising overdue curative work and scheduled maintenance, I work daily with the managing agent discovered and introduced by me in October 2006. My particular strengths are coverage of finance, insurance, garden, recycling and remedial issues. In January 2010 the IRPM granted me Affiliate status, so my intention is to take the Part 1 examination in May. This site is my everyday focus, but I sometimes do freelance tour manager work in UK and Europe, organising the smooth operation of their coach holidays for groups of up to 50 people.

Work references may be obtained from my previous employers and a personal one from the Managing Director of Classical Property Services (Westminster) Limited, Lord John Day. If you feel that your company may benefit from someone who always wants to learn, has demonstrated success in several fields and is prepared to accept responsibility, please contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you.