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As a global company, we employ only the services of external consultants who fully understand our core business and in particular how our company operates.

We choose John as we found him to be very down-to-earth and capable of navigating us through some very complicated challenges facing our business over the many years we have been working together. He has worked with us now for almost a decade on various matters and has always been able to provide a tailor-made, customised service.

Because of his experience and incredible in-depth knowledge of our industry, we have found that you can trust him to provide the best possible advice. We have built up a very good working relationship with his company allowing him to liaise with our in-house and external consultants and legal teams to provide a seamless solution to any matter.

Whether you're a start-up or an established global organisation we feel that John will give you equal attention. If you are looking for someone to go the extra mile then contact John Farage O'Brien.

Kieran O'Brien | Commercial Manager

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John's range of technical expertise and skill is very impressive particularly as it is allied to a very deep knowledge and understanding of the various relevant forms of dispute resolution. These are major assets, and make John an extremely valuable commodity in the context of any construction dispute.

However, what really sets John apart, and makes him someone with whom we are always delighted to work, is his relentless commitment to achieving the best possible result for his client and, of course, his track record of doing just that.

Dudley Solan | Partner, Head of Litigation



Eversheds

Eversheds engaged the services of John O’Brien and Roy Sherlock as consultants for our client, to advise on a loss and expense claim on a road project. Our client was a subcontractor in a contractual final account dispute with its contractor, with delay claims and issues to defend on contractor LADs.

Our experience and that of our client was very positive as both John and Roy were very flexible and open minded in their engagement with us and our client. We also found them to be most responsive and always hit agreed deadlines. The output was thoughtful and they looked around corners — all in all, we would definitely recommend them again.

Dermot McEvoy | Partner, Head of ADR



Linacre Associates

I have worked on the other side from John in a number of conciliations and arbitrations — he proved a formidable opponent with a complete mastery of the facts and had compelling arguments to support his case.

More recently we have undertaken a number of arbitrations where — thankfully — he has been on the same side. John provided major contributions to the case to distill the issues and successfully made the arguments for delay and disruptions claims. I have no hesitation in recommending him to others.

Peter A Johnson | Planning Director



EDCM Consulting Engineers

As an expert technical witness, I have worked with John O'Brien on a number of conciliations and arbitrations and have always been impressed with John's immediate grasp of detailed technical matters and how he creates an effective link between these and the fundamental core issues.

John is an extremely effective team leader and driver and his in-depth knowledge and ability to coordinate and engender 'joined-up thinking' stands head and shoulders above my experience of other cases where John has not been involved.

Stephen Beverley | Managing Director



Coastway Surveys

Coastway Surveys have worked with John Farage O'Brien on many projects over the last decade where precise surveying and monitoring is required. John's knowledge of modern technology enables him to present clients with detailed drawings and models in presenting his expert opinion. We will continue to work with John as expert witnesses when our expert opinion is required.

Enda Nolan | Managing Director



GNCE Consulting Engineers

We provided expert technical witness services over many years, working as part of a multi-disciplinary team lead by John Farage O'Brien. A number of complex conciliations and arbitrations stand out. It is without doubt that John's ability to understand and disseminate interrelated construction activities in a coordinated and focused manner was key in identifying the genesis of the issues, leading to a clear understanding of the events. John's capacity to view the larger picture while never losing sign of the finer details has proven to be one of his trademarks which, combined with his charisma and determination, makes for a winning team.

Glenn Nunan | Principal



Frank Murphy Law

I have known John Farage O'Brien for a number of years and have had the pleasure of working with him and his team on a number of varied and interesting cases during that time. John's very extensive experience in the world of construction projects allows him to approach clients' issues in a pragmatic, commercial and highly effective manner. It is always a pleasure to deal with the firm.

Siobhan Kenny | Solicitor



Bruce Shaw

John O'Brien was the case manager in an arbitration I was involved in recently as an expert witness. I was immediately struck by John's exceptional grasp of the key issues and his ability to analyse, process and link data and information from the various and diverse sources to form a comprehensive overview. John demonstrated a huge and in-depth range of technical knowledge of all aspects of construction, construction and engineering technology, contracts and construction law. I have absolutely no hesitation in recommending John's firm.

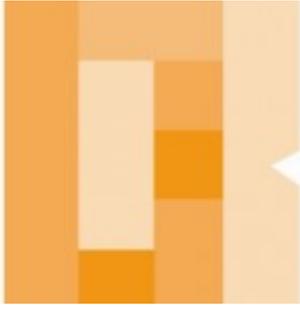
Des O'Broin | Partner



Maples & Calder

In the words of Lyndon B Johnson, I would rather have John inside my tent pissing out, rather than outside my tent pissing in.

Malachi Sweetman BL



CDS LLP

I have worked with John O'Brien for a number of years, having originally been on the opposite side of the table from him on two small roads cases. On three major cases where we have both been engaged together, our mutual clients have enjoyed success on two and await the outcome of the third. John brings vigour, intellect and clear thinking to his case management.

David Richards | Principal



Lagan Asphalt

John's diligent research into the core issues of the dispute, combined with his strategic thinking, provided our organisation with expert advice that was invaluable – literally. His professional modus operandi and presentation skills are second to none.

Fraser Thom | Operations Director



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I have known John O'Brien in a professional capacity for a number of years. As a dispute resolution consultant he is an expert in his field. His experience and professional background in the construction industry are undoubtedly an asset, demonstrated through his impressive and successful record in dispute resolution settlement. I fully endorse John as a committed and valuable advisor.

Ignacio Clopes | Director EMEA & Australia



Crown Roofing Ltd

John has always delivered above and beyond what was required in order to achieve the desired outcome for our company. We have built up an excellent working relationship with John and he is our first port of call for any issues relating to his area of expertise.

Owen O'Gorman | Managing Director

Kildavin Technical M&E Engineering Contractors

We retained John Farage O'Brien consultants to act on our behalf to resolve a dispute. John Farage O'Brien is a well established company and came highly recommended to us and our association proved to be a pleasant and efficient with a strong understanding of our legal needs. We found them to be very professional in their representation and followed through on their excellent reputation for a timely completion of the work.

Murth Dempsey | Managing Director

From the MD of an Irish building and civil engineering firm in the CIF Top 10

Over the past number of years we have engaged John Farage O'Brien as external consultants, providing specialist expertise and advice on a broad range of contractual matters.

John O'Brien's depth of knowledge and mastery of legal and contractual issues, his practical understanding of the construction process and his ability to apply strategic thinking to complex matters of dispute have been an invaluable asset to our company.

What further differentiates John is the enthusiasm and level of commitment he brings to the process, and his ability to work collaboratively with our in-house staff and our external consultants to develop commercial resolution strategies and achieve successful outcomes on our behalf.

We will continue to retain John's services in the years ahead and wholeheartedly recommend him to any business in need of wise counsel and good guidance in this area.

Managing Director



Crossflow

I had the good fortune of working with John during a dispute for final account on a project. His expertise, knowledge and negotiation skills were exceptional and the outcome was very satisfactory for our business.

I am very happy that we now have John's expertise available to us and would recommend his services without hesitation.

Barry Corcoran | Director, Ventilation and Architectural Department

Advanced Construction and Fitouts Ltd

Advanced Construction and Fitouts Ltd retained John Farage O'Brien to act on our behalf to resolve a dispute arising between ACFL and the Employer (private dwelling owner) namely, a claim for delay, disruption and disputed domestic variations. From the outset, John presented as an expert in the fields of construction contracts and dispute resolution. He had an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the contract in question along with the technical and legal issues contained therein.

John was fully committed to giving his best to our case at all times. His ability to investigate complex matters of the dispute and apply strategic thinking to their resolution was invaluable in bringing our case to a satisfactory close in a timely manner. We found John to be most reassuring, even when presenting worst case scenarios to us, and have no hesitation in recommending John in his area of expertise.

Gráinne Heneghan | Director

Well-known international business couple building their family home

When making the decision to build your family home, nobody expects to have anything but a good experience in building your dream home. Unfortunately this is not always the case and when you find that you have employed the wrong builder who actually can't do what was promised, real conflict is inevitable.

As we had not experienced building a family home before, we were really in the dark and feared the worst!

In steps, John and his team, with great knowledge, experience and patience to understand the case in huge detail, got it all sorted. The comfort of having someone with the years of industry experience gave us great confidence that we had real experts on our side. We were guided carefully step by step by John and we were so happy with the excellent conclusion in a very short time.

We will always recommend John and his team to any friends or family who may someday find themselves in this dilemma — they are a first class operation!

Architecturally designed 5,000 sq ft dwelling | (Anonymity requested)



Coolnagreina

I manage a small charity which embarked on its biggest construction project in its 100+ year history. When we encountered problems, and when our questions were not answered satisfactorily, we realised that we needed help navigating our way through the project.

We consulted John O'Brien as he was fluent in contractual language and able to translate complex matters into everyday language. He quickly identified gaps in the administration of our venture before working methodically and tirelessly to ensure that they were rectified.

For one particular problem, he brought about a resolution following a long period of stasis. There's no way that we would have made it through without him, and we are particularly thankful for his work *pro bono*.

Jonathan Ellis | Director



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I have worked with John O'Brien for more than ten years in a broad range of litigations, conciliations, negotiations, arbitrations, etc. In these cases I have dealt with public clients, private clients and subcontractors.

Notwithstanding the positive outcomes of these processes, the most important values brought by John was that on all occasions, he fully understood in depth all issues in a contractual, technical, commercial and legal point of view, and most importantly, John was so fully committed to the cases, that I considered him part of my team and not an external advisor.

Pedro Martinez-Artigas | Country Director Ireland
