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Overview

Gillian Birkby is a consultant in the real estate department at Fladgate.

Gillian is an experienced construction practitioner who has been advising employers, contract administrators, designers and contractors for many years on the wide range of issues which arise during the course of a construction project.

Acting for all sides of the industry has given her an invaluable insight into the construction process from a contractual point of view. She has considerable experience of advising employers, designers and contractors in both contract drafting and disputes on the full range of standard and bespoke construction contracts and appointments for substantial projects, including the NEC forms and FIDIC. She has a particular expertise in health and safety issues and has advised clients individually and in workshops, both on preventive measures and in reaction to health and safety incidents.

Gillian is an Honorary Fellow of the Association for Project Safety.

Gillian has lectured extensively for many years on a wide range of construction topics and leads practical training workshops on a regular basis. She is the co-author of The Good Practice Guide on Extensions of Time, published by RIBA Enterprises Ltd and a regular contributor to the construction press such as Building.

Gillian is a member of the Liability Panel of the Construction Industry Council, which oversees the work of the BIM Task Group. She is also a member of its Adjudication Board.

Gillian is ranked as a leading individual in construction by the legal directories.

Expertise

Construction law

- Construction Projects
- Construction Disputes
- Facilities Management
- Health & Safety

Dispute Resolution

- Professional Negligence

Industry

Projects & Infrastructure

Professional Practices

Real Estate

Energy & Resources

Engineering & Construction

Location

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Experience

- Advising a substantial contractor providing waste-to-energy plant in relation to PFI contracts for the construction of state of the art recycling facilities for domestic waste at various sites in England
- Advising on a fee claim coupled with a £200m professional negligence claim arising from the design and construction of a large shopping centre.
- Operating the APS advice line on the interpretation of the CDM regulations.
- Outsourcing the facilities management functions for a large and diverse estate of over 350 properties for a large public authority.
- Advising a contractor on contract administration issues on a substantial long term project at multiple sites.
- Acting for the developer of a luxury hotel and adjoining apartments in connection with various adjudications and court proceedings brought by the contractor, subcontractors and consultant.
- Advising on compliance with health and safety law and potential HSE prosecutions.
- Acting for the owner and developer of a large central London residence in a dispute with his main contractor which was brought to adjudication and subsequently settled before a decision was issued.
- Advising on contract administration, including delay issues, for a complex multi-million pound refurbishment over an extended period for a substantial leisure facility.
- Acting for a mechanical services subcontractor in connection with a large loss and expense claim.

Testimonials

“Gillian Birkby advises clients from across the construction market on non-contentious matters including procurement, contracts and appointments. One client says: ‘She provides insightful and cutting-edge advice with fantastic support’.”

Chambers UK 2017

“Gillian Birkby’s expertise runs the full gamut of construction, including procurement, construction contracts and disputes.”

Chambers UK 2016

“Practice head Gillian Birkby advises a range of clients on the drafting of contracts and contract-related disputes. She has recently been instructed by a number of high-profile clients in arbitrations and projects work.”

Chambers UK 2015

“The ‘fantastic’ Gillian Birkby assists all manner of clients with construction-related contracts and disputes. She heads the firm’s construction department.”

Chambers UK 2014

“The ‘absolutely superb’ Gillian Birkby heads the firm’s construction team. Her recent work includes advice on the design and construction of a number of high-value

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waste-to-energy projects across the UK.”

Chambers UK 2013

“Gillian Birkby regularly advises purchaser clients on a broad range of transactional issues. She is particularly well versed in contractual matters. She is highlighted by one source for being ‘really sensible and practical’.”

Chambers UK 2018

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