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## Sarah Anne Shemmings

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### Managing Partner

#### Academic Qualifications

Qualified as a Solicitor in 1982.

#### Experience

##### Dispute Resolution/Litigation

Sarah has over 20 years' experience in dealing with construction, environmental and general litigation claims for contractors, sub- contractors, employers, property developers, and landlords.

Sarah spent some 13 years dealing with professional negligence claims for construction professionals including acting for insurers of the Association of Consulting Engineers. Claims dealt with included construction claims relating to poor design and advice in relation to mechanical and electrical claims, structural and civil engineering claims. Sarah was the lead partner running the case of the *Department of National Heritage v SVM* (relating to the New British Library) and was the lead partner in the leading environmental case of *Cambridge Water Company Ltd v Eastern Counties Leather plc* relating to the House of Lords judgment on historic water pollution.

Sarah has also been acted for Higgins Construction plc, a case which has gone to the Supreme Court in defending a claim for recovery of monies paid under an adjudicator's decision.

Sarah has acted successfully on a number of litigation claims and adjudication enforcements and her reported cases include: –

- Adonis Construction v. O'Keefe Soil Remediation Ltd
- Capital Structures Plc v. Time & Tide Construction Ltd
- Cambridge Water Company Ltd v Eastern Counties Leather plc
- Department of National Heritage v SVM
- Fileturn Ltd v. Royal Garden Hotel Ltd
- Geoffrey Osborne Ltd v. Atkins Rail Ltd
- Glendalough Associated SA v Harris Calnan Construction Co. Ltd
- Harris Calnan Construction Co. Ltd v. Ridgewood (Kensington) Ltd
- Henley Homes plc v. P.M.P
- HG Construction Ltd v. Ashwell Homes (East Anglia) Ltd
- Aspect Contracts (Asbestos) Ltd v Higgins Construction plc (taken to the Supreme Court)
- Pegram v. Tally Weijl Ltd
- Thameside Construction Co Ltd v. Arthenella Ltd
- Thameside Construction Co Ltd v Stephens
- Mul v. Hutton Construction Ltd
- Harding v. Paice and Springall
- PP Construction v. Geoffrey Osborne Ltd

She is also co-author of the book "*Construction Law and the Environment*"

### Memberships

- The Law Society of England & Wales
- City of London law Society
- TeCSA (The Technology & Construction Solicitors Association)
- The Society of Construction Law
- UKELA (United Kingdom Environmental Law Association)
- The Adjudication Society
- London Solicitors Litigation Association
- The Health and Safety Lawyers Association
- The Arbitration Club
- The Property Peoples' Network