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**Managing Director, Loss Prevention Consultancy Ltd**

**EXPERT WITNESS CASES**

- Civil liability claim for inadequate security in empty building (for Claimant)
- Civil liability claim for hot work fire in historic building (for Claimant)
- Efficacy of security precautions (for Claimant)
- Arbitration case: new fire product and British Standards (for Complainant)
- Adequacy of fire protection system to meet regulatory requirements (for Claimant)
- Efficacy of fire precautions (for Claimant)
- Liability for injury in respect of ineffective security measures (for Claimant)
- Confidential security matter involving appearances before the Inland Revenue Special Commissioners (for HM Chief Inspector of Taxes).
- Fatality resulting from inadequate security measures (for Defendant – HSE Case)
- Loss caused as result of allegedly ineffective security (for Defendant)
- Loss caused by flood due to alleged negligent work on sprinkler system (for Defendant - Ireland)
- Alleged non-compliance with warranty in respect of hot work (for Defendant - Ireland)
- Denial of fire insurance claim due to allegation of non-compliant security measures (for Claimant)
- Criminal liability in respect of ineffective security measures (for Defendant)
- Civil liability in respect of ineffective security measures (for Claimant)
- Liability in respect of traumatic injury suffered as consequence of ineffective security (for Complainant)
- Liability of insurer in case where fire warranty clauses were breached (for Defendant)
- Denial of fire insurance claim on the basis that the fire was instigated by the policyholder (for Claimant)
- Denial of insurance claim as a result of error by security personnel (for Defendant)
- Part 20 Claim against security contractor in respect of burglary (for Defendant)
- Determination of extent of fire resulting from failure of a sprinkler system (for Claimant)
- Liability for injury to employee resulting from poor security training (for Claimant)
- Liability for damage resulting from advice given by fire protection supplier (for Claimant)
- Liability for major fire resulting from inappropriate actions by security guard (For Claimant)
- Denial of liability for major insurance claim for construction site fire (for Defendant)
- Liability for injury incurred during robbery at building society (for Claimant)
- Liability for injury incurred during robbery/ramraid at bank (for Defendant)
- Liability for injury incurred during robbery at a construction site sales office (for Claimant)
- Hot Work Fire –determination whether insured person complied with warranty condition (for Defendant)
- Liability for injuries incurred in a superstore during a robbery (for Defendant)
- Liability for gunshot wound occasioned during robbery (for Claimant)

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

November 1998 - Date

**Director Loss Prevention Consultancy Ltd**

June 1997 - October 1998

**Group Security and Loss Prevention Controller, Asprey Group plc**

February 1989 - June 1997

**Director, The Fire Protection Association/Head of External Affairs, Loss Prevention Council (also from April 1996- May 1997): Director-General, Arson Prevention Bureau**

September 1987 - January 1989

**County Civil Protection Officer, Cambridgeshire County Council**

September 1982 - August 1987

**Security Advisor, Ministry of Works, Power and Water, State of Bahrain**

1981 - 1982

**Director and General Manager, AFA Minerva (Thorn EMI) Hong Kong Ltd.**

1978 - 1981

**Loss Prevention Engineer, China Light & Power Co Ltd., Hong Kong**

1977 - 1978

**Fire, Safety and Security Advisor, Libyan Institute of Petroleum, Tripoli, Libya**

1975 - 1977

**Assistant Director of Safety and Security, King Faisal Medical City, Saudi Arabia**

1974 - 1975

**District Security Officer, Ealing Health District**

1973 – 1974 A number of short-term assignments with Group 4 Ltd (as a security consultant) and others.

1973 – 1975

Part Time Service as a Lieutenant and in the Corps of Royal Military Police (V)

Part time service as 2Lt with 51 (Highland) Volunteers (V)

1966 -1969

Service with Hong Kong Police Force as an Inspector also 1979 -1982 service as an Inspector with Royal HK Auxiliary Police Force.

## **EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL**

1956 - 1961      Blairmore School, Common Entrance

1961 - 1965      St Bees School (GCE x 7 'O' levels)

1965 – 1966	Aberdeen College of Commerce (GCE x 1 'A' levels, 3 x SCE Highers and 1 x Scottish Universities Preliminary Certificate)
1969 - 1973	University of Aberdeen, MA (Combined Studies)
1977	Institute of Industrial Security, Member (By examination)
1977	Institute of Fire Prevention Officers, Member
1979	Institution of Fire Engineers, Member (By examination)
1979	Institute of Fire Prevention Officers, Fellow
1980	Institute of Industrial Security, Fellow (By dissertation)
1984	Certified Protection Professional (US) (By examination)
1986	Institute of Risk Management, Fellow
1994 - 1996	University of Leicester, MSc (Study of Security Management )
1995	Institution of Fire Engineers, Fellow
1999	Institute of Fire Safety Managers, Fellow
2000	The Security Institute, Fellow
2003	Fellow, Society of Antiquaries, Scotland
2006	Life Vice-President, Institute of Fire Safety Managers
2011	Life Vice-President, The Security Institute
2011	Chartered Security Professional, Register of Security Professionals

## **OTHER/PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Fellow, Royal Society of Arts  
 Member, HK Institute of Management  
 Member, Society of Industrial Emergency Service Officers  
 Member, Society of Authors  
 Member, Association of Security Consultants  
 Member, Society of Association Executives  
 Member, Institute of Risk and Safety Management  
 Member, Institute of Civil Defence  
 Member, Institute of Professional Investigators  
 Member, Society of Expert Witnesses  
 Registered as an Expert Witness with the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers

## **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

Officer Cadet: TA (Royal Signals 1965-66)/Aberdeen University OTC 1969 - 71  
 (Certificate B Parts 1 & 2)  
 Commissioned service, TA 1971 - 75 (Infantry and Royal Military Police)  
 Commissioned service Lt & A/Capt, Royal HK Regiment, 1978 - 79  
 Chairman, HK Branch, International Professional Security Association 1979-81  
 Lecturer, Security Studies, HK Polytechnic 1979-82  
 Licensed by HK Fire Services Department as Class I, II and III Fire Service Contractor  
 Prepared several HK Fire Services Department Fire Service Circulars  
 Inspector, Royal HK Auxiliary Police, 1979 - 82  
 Member, NFPA Committee on Non-Nuclear Power Generation (NFPA 850/1) 1980 - 88  
 Vice Chairman, Middle East Chapter, American Society for Industrial Security 1985-87  
 President, Industrial Fire Protection Association 1989 - 97  
 Freeman, City of London 1991  
 Vice Chairman, Confederation of Fire Protection Associations - Europe 1992 - 97

Special Expert Member, NFPA Committee on Cultural Resources (NFPA 914/920)  
 Vice Chairman, Federation of British Fire Organisations – 1992-97  
 Special Expert Member, NFPA Committee on Security (NFPA 730, 731)  
 Governor, Institute of Risk Management, 1993 - 99  
 Expert Witness, Bailey Enquiry into Fire Safety in the Royal Palaces (1993)  
 Security Adviser, Pool Reinsurance Ltd 1990-94  
 Insurance Industry Rep., Inspectorate of the Security Industry, 1993-97  
 Member, Contact Group, Government Deregulation Initiative 1993-4  
 Vice chairman, Security Industry Lead Body (1993 - 95)  
 President, Institute of Fire Safety Management, 1997 - 2005; Life Vice President 2006  
 Member, Advisory Board, Cranfield Security Centre, RMCS Cranfield University, 1998 - 2001  
 Secretary and then Vice Chairman. The Security Institute, 1999 – 2007  
 Director, The Security Institute, 2000 - 2007  
 Secretary General, British Automatic Sprinkler Association 2000 –  
 Director and Secretary General, British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association 2010 -  
 Member, Home Office/ODPM Fire Safety Advisory Board/Cost of Fire Working Group 2000 - 2004  
 Member, Fire Safety Advisory Board/Fire Statistics Sub Committee, 2000-2007  
 British Standards Committees 1987- including: Fire, Fixed Fire Protection Systems, Sprinkler Systems, Fire Terminology, Manned Security Services  
 Board Member, Security and Risk Studies Institute, Rome, 2001-2005  
 Director, Fire Industry Confederation, 2000-2007  
 Member, ODPM Review Group on Fire Safety Order 2003 - 4  
 UK Delegate and Chairman of WG2 to EC COST C17 Programme - Protection of Heritage 2002 - 2007  
 Lead Trainer in Fire Safety, Risk Management and Business Continuity Management for British Institute of Facilities Management (1998 - )  
 Convenor, Sprinkler Coordination Group (2008 -)  
 Council member, Federation of British Fire Organisations 2005 -  
 Council Member and Director, Business Sprinkler Alliance 2010 -  
 Director, British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association 2010 -

## **LOSS PREVENTION COUNCIL/ABI WORKING PARTIES**

Fires on Construction Sites (Secretary)  
 Gas Turbine Fire Protection (Chairman)  
 Empty Premises (Chairman)  
 Protection of Heritage Buildings (Chairman)  
 Electrical Safety (Chairman)  
 London Groundwater  
 Fire Safety in the Food Industry (Chairman)  
 Halon Replacements  
 Terrorism and Security  
 Keyholding and Alarm Response  
 Water Supplies and Sprinkler Systems  
 Adviser on security and business continuity to Pool Re Ltd for terrorism cover

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*A Dictionary of Industrial Security*, London, 1987: Routledge and Kegan Paul  
*Fire Safety in Hotels: Recommendations for Europe*, (Editor) London, 1993: Fire Protection Association  
*Heritage Under Fire*, (Editor) London, 1995: Fire Protection Association.  
*An Introduction to Physical Security*, (Editor) London, 1996: The Loss Prevention Council  
*European Hotel Fire Safety: An Analysis of the Implementation and Impact of the 1986 EC Recommendations 666 on Fire Safety in Existing Hotels*, IFTO, London, 2000  
*TAN 22 Fire Risk Management in Heritage Buildings*, Edinburgh, 2001: Historic Scotland  
*TAN 28 Fire Safety Management in Historic Buildings*, 2005, Historic Scotland  
*Security Report 2006*, (Editor) 2006, Workplace Law Publishing  
*Guide for Practitioners No 7: Fire Safety Management in Traditional Buildings*, 2010, Historic Scotland. (Note this is an Approved Code of Practice under Scottish Building Standards)

### Chapters in Books or Proceedings

'Managing Fire Safety in Heritage Premises', *Proceedings of Second International Symposium on Fire Protection of Ancient Monuments*, Poznan, Poland, 1995  
'Fire Safety Management' in *Heritage under fire, Proceedings of colloquy organised by the Council of Europe*, Strasbourg 1995  
'Working towards common standards of training and competency throughout the industry' in *Loss Prevention in the Oil and Gas Industry*, Mechanical Engineering Publications, London, 1995, .  
'Fire Safety Management' in *Fire Protection and the Built Heritage*, Historic Scotland, Edinburgh, 1999.  
'Fire Risk Assessment and Risk Improvement at Schönbrunn Palace' in *Brandschutz in historischen Bauten*, Arbeitsmaterialien Nr 8, Schönbrunn Akademie, Wien, 1999  
'Damage Limitation Planning for the Schönbrunn Palace' in *Proceedings of 2nd seminar on Fire Risk Assessment in Historic Buildings, Network of Royal Residences*, 8 November 1999.  
'Some Problems of Reuse of Railway Heritage Buildings' in *Proceedings of the Eurofire '99 Conference*, Affligem (Essene) Belgium 24-27 November 1999.  
'Fire and Law' and 'Fire Safety Management' in *A Century of Fire Protection*, Wormald Fire Engineering, London, 1999.  
'Global Corporate Security: Experiences and Lessons' in *Proceedings of the World Security Congress 2000* Bangkok, 2000.  
Security for Facilities Managers in *The Complete Guide to Facilities Management* LexisNexis, 2003  
*Business Continuity Planning: Essential FM Report No 24*, Butterworth Tolley, 2003  
Managing Transformer Risks in *Monitoring and Managing Transformers*, Aon Limited, London, 2004  
Security 2006: Special Report (Editor), Workplace Law, Cambridge, 2006  
Case Study 'Historic Scotland Conservation Centre' in *Hypoxic Air Venting for Protection of Heritage*: Cowi AS, Riksantikvaren, Oslo, Norway, 2006.  
Fire Safety Management of Generators in *Monitoring and Managing Generators*, Aon Limited, London, 2007

Practice Note 2/10: Fire Safety During the Construction of Large Timber Framed Buildings, April 2010. Association for Project Safety  
*The Fire Protection of Steam Turbine Generators and their Ancillaries*, GENSIP, 2010  
Guide for Practitioners No 7 *Fire safety management in traditional buildings*, Historic Scotland, 2010.

### **Editorial Boards**

- Member of Editorial Board and Consultant to Croner Publishing *Handbook of Security*, 1983-97, author of 8 chapters and reviser of several more. Also Consultant to Croner's Premises Management publications.
- Publisher, *Fire Prevention* (1989-1997)
- Member of Editorial Board, *Journal of Disaster Management*, 1987-94
- Member of Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Security, Risk and Crime Prevention*, 1995-7
- Historic Scotland: Member of Review Panel for Publications, 1994 -
- Diogenes Group, Cranfield University (1999-2001)
- Risk UK (2003 - 4)
- Editor, Security Institute *Yearbook and Directory of Qualifications* 2000 - 2006
- Editor, *The Sprinkler Yearbook* (2005 -)

### **Magazine Articles:**

From 1982 - 1989 I was a regular columnist in *Security Times*

I wrote the Editorial in most issues of *Fire Prevention* from August 1989 to April 1997

Member of Editorial Board and Consultant to Croner Publishing *Handbook of Security*, 1983-97, author of 8 chapters and reviser of several more. Also, Consultant to Croner's Premises Management publications.

Publisher, *Fire Prevention* 1989-1997

Member of Editorial Board, *Journal of Disaster Management*, 1987-94

Member of Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Security, Risk and Crime Prevention*, 1995-7

Historic Scotland: Member of Review panel for Publications, 1994 -

Diogenes Group, Cranfield University, 1998-2001

International Risk and Security Research Forum, Rome 2001 -

Chairman, Publications Committee, Security Institute 2000 - 2007

### **Magazine Articles:**

From 1982 - 1989 I was a regular columnist in *Security Times*

I wrote the Editorial in most issues of *Fire Prevention* from August 1989 to April 1997

Perimeter Security, *International Security Review*, August 1980

Philosophy of Physical Security, *Security & Protection*, August 1980

Planning for Security, *Security Asia*, October 1980

Power Station Security, *Security & Protection*, November 1980

Security Manpower, *Security & Protection*, November 1980

The Security Role, *Security Asia*, October 1981

Security in the Developing Nation, *Security Asia*, January 1982

Cost Effective Security, *Works Management*, October 1982

Fire Protection and the Engineer, *Al Mohandis*, September 1983.

Fire Protection for the Security Officer, *Security Times*, January 1985

Selling Security in the Middle East, *International Security Review*, January 1985

Advance and be Recognised, *Security Times*, January 1986

Hotel Security, *Security Times*, October 1986

Money, *Security Times*, October 1986

Keeping up with Two Worlds, *Security Management*, February 1987

Manned Security - The Way Forward, *Security Times*, February 1987

Security & Hotel Personnel, *International Security Review*, March 1987

Home Security - The Cobbler's Child, *Security Times*, June 1987

Planning for Security - A Profile, *International Security Review*, January 1988

Security Scoring - Estimating the Risk, *Security Times*, January 1988

A Middle Eastern Approach, *Ambulance Management International*, April 1988

Construction of a Data Base, *Journal of Disaster Management* July 1988

Emergency Preparedness for Museums (Etc.) *Journal of Disaster Management*, Oct. 1988

The Fire and Security Interface, *Security Industry*, April 1989

Arson - Security's Burning Question, *Journal of Disaster Management*, August 1989

Training for Industrial Emergencies. *Journal of Disaster Management* Jan 1991

Hotel fires - the facts, *Fire Prevention* 236, Jan 1991

Another fire fighting agent bites the dust ? *Fire Prevention* 248, April 1992

Getting through construction, *Fire Prevention* 248, April 1992

Preparing for emergencies in museums and galleries, *Fire Prevention*, 254 November 1992

Beware of the building contractor - he'll burn down your heritage, *Architect & Surveyor*, December 1992

Bombs and incendiary devices. *Kluwer Security Bulletin Special Report No 3*, March 1993

Fire protection at gas turbine power stations, *Fire Prevention* 268, April 1994

Arson, Motives and Perspectives, *The Magistrates Journal*, June 1994

Disaster planning, *Kluwer Security Bulletin Special Report No 10*, December 1994.

Empty buildings - the forgotten risk?, *Fire Prevention* 283, October 1995

Revised Joint Code of Practice, *Fire Prevention* 286, January 1996

Arson, *Fire Prevention* 294, October 1996

Arson - The Problem that Won't Go Away, *Fire Engineers Journal* 193, March 1998

Does private vigilance mean vigilantes?, *Security Management & Industry Today*, April 1998

Tried and Tested - Physical Security, *Security Management & Industry Today*, August 1998

Crisis Management for the Millennium, *Fire International*, May 1999

Planning for Millennium Disasters, *Croner Premises Management Bulletin*, June 1999

Protection of Heritage Buildings, *Kluwer Security Bulletin No 40*, December 1999

Security and Arson Prevention, *Kluwer Security Bulletin No 41*, January 2000

Career Development: Setting the Agenda, *Security Management & Industry Today*, Mar 2000

Upgrading Fire Safety in an Austrian Royal Palace, *Fire International*, April 2000

Global Corporate Security, *Southeast Asia Fire and Security*, July/August 2000

Sprinklers and Myths, *Fire Safety Engineering*, June 2000

A Day in the Life, *Fire Times*, September 2000

Historic Assessment, *Fire Prevention*, March 2001

New European Sprinkler Standard, *Sprinkler Bulletin*, April 2001

Managing Fire Risk in Computer Rooms, *Industrial Fire Journal*, June 2001

Hotel Reservations, *Fire Prevention*, December 2001

Learning by Experience, *Security Management and Industry Today*, May 2002

A Brave New World, *Security Management and Industry Today*, June 2002

Protection of Cultural Heritage: Problems of Fire Statistics, *EurOhs*, April/May 2003

Sprinklers in schools: the realities, *Fire Prevention and Fire Engineers Journal*, June 2003

Power Tools: HPR and the protection of power generation plants. *Fire Prevention and Fire Engineers Journal*, June 2004,

Check Points. *Fire Prevention and Fire Engineers Journal*, January 2006

*The time has come*, FSE Magazine, May 2006

Professionalism in Corporate Security. *Security Management Today*, May 2006

Check Points: The Maintenance of Automatic Sprinkler Systems, *Fire Prevention and Fire Engineers Journal*, January 2006

The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2006, *Practical FM*, Issue 9.5, November 2006

'Turbogenerator Fire Protection' in *Monitoring and Managing Generator Risks*, Aon London, December 2006,

Castle Issues - Sprinklers in a scheduled ancient monument, *Fire Prevention and Fire Engineers Journal*, September 2007

Sprinklers - Primary defence for people and property, *Practical FM*.10.5 December 2007

Sprinkler priorities, *Fire Risk Management*, February 2008

Protection of an Ancient Monument, *Sprinkler Age*, January 2008

Heads Up *Health and Safety at Work*, August 2008

Six things I hate about sprinklers *Sprinkler Yearbook* Jan 2009

Sharing the load, *Fire Risk Management*, July 2009

Standing Tall, *Fire Middle East*, July/August 2009

The Fire Safety Order-could you be liable? *FM World*, 9 April 2009

Pandemics and Business Continuity Planning, *FM World*, September 2009

Enforcement of Fire Regulations, *FM World*, June 2011

Large Timber Framed Buildings - the Hazards, *Building Engineer*, June 2011

I have presented papers at many major international security conferences including:

ASIS International (New Orleans, Bahrain, London and Vienna)  
Bangkok,  
Singapore  
Hong Kong  
Vienna  
Spain  
Hungary

and also lectured at many locations in the UK including:

University of Loughborough, University of Westminster, Home Office Crime Prevention Centre, Home Office Emergency Planning College, Fire Service College, RMCS Shrivenham