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SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

I began my career as a researcher at the Health and Safety Laboratory (HSL) where I worked on the development of a range of devices designed to monitor exposures to hazardous dusts and fumes (including asbestos) in a variety of industrial settings.

I then joined the HSE as one of HM Inspectors of Health and Safety. With HSE, I was responsible for inspecting a variety of workplaces across different sectors including construction, heavy engineering, molten metals, manufacturing and the service industries. I also worked as a nominated asbestos inspector for my local HSE Division and had responsibility for the inspection and enforcement of both licensed and non-licensed asbestos removal work, as well as the licensing of asbestos removal contractors.

I have given evidence and prosecuted at the Magistrates Court in more than 50 cases including those involving manslaughter and multiple duty holders as well as at numerous inquests and tribunals.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health (1996)
- BSc (Hons) in Applied Mathematics and Physics (1989)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2015 - Date Pragma and Associates Ltd

Consultant

2015- Date Dave Bradley Consulting Ltd

Managing Director

The provision of expert advice and evidence in relation to asbestos-related disease. Dose assessment and apportionment; consideration of employers' actions in comparison to knowledge and standards contemporaneous with exposure.

Managing Director of Dave Bradley Consulting Ltd, a company specialising in the provision of independent health and safety advice and expert witness commissions relating to work-related injury and ill health.

1995 - 2015 Health & Safety Executive

HM Inspector of Health and Safety (Factory Inspector)

Responsible for the inspection of workplaces covering the full range of industrial sectors, including construction, heavy engineering, molten metals, manufacturing and the service industries. Acted as Lead Inspector for Sheffield, Barnsley and North East Lincolnshire Councils and British Steel/Corus.

The enforcement and provision of advice regarding the Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations, the Asbestos Licensing Regulations and the Control of Asbestos Regulations. The inspection of licensed asbestos removal contracts. Work with HSE's Asbestos Licensing Unit (ALU) in the production of written guidance books relating to licensed removal work, and with local authorities on the management of asbestos in local housing stock. Carried out asbestos management audits at oil refineries and other industrial sites with provision of advice regarding safe removal techniques for work on live plant, including vessels at high temperatures. In addition, the inspection of demolition and refurbishment sites.

Worked with surveyors and analysts to ensure the required standards for identification and clearance of asbestos materials was adhered to. The application and enforcement of legislation in relation to work with non-licensed asbestos materials such as asbestos cement and decorative coatings.

The application of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and the associated relevant statutory provisions on a day to day basis in relation to health risks such as asbestos, silica, noise, vibration and radiation, and safety risks such as work at height, machinery safeguarding and workplace transport. Also, the investigation of accidents and incidents, many of which were fatal.

A member of HSE's national lifting team with responsibility for interventions with the suppliers and users of both tower cranes and mobile platforms (MEWPs) and the production of guidance material for HSE inspectors. The production of bespoke guidance for inspectors on the appropriate enforcement standards to be applied in the wire drawing industry.

I have provided oral evidence at many court hearings, inquests and enforcement notice tribunals, and my written reports have been praised at all levels for their clear, logical and comprehensive content and have been used as training tools for inspectors new to HSE.

1991 - 1995 Health and Safety Laboratory (HSL)

Research into the development of personal and static sampling devices to monitor personal and background exposures to hazardous dusts and fumes, including asbestos, and the drafting of internal research papers and external journal and conference papers produced and presented.

Undertaking trials of various samplers and prototype samplers carried out in different industrial environments to determine the accuracy and validity of different sampling techniques.