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Richard Hertz's work experience is rooted in the construction industry. He started with Concor in 1981 where he worked his way up from a trainee civil engineering technician to the position of Managing Director of Concor Coastal. He studied Civil Engineering at what is now the University of Johannesburg and qualified with a National Higher Diploma (Civil Engineering) in 1984. He went on to specialise in structural engineering, attaining his M.Dip(Tech) in 1986. In 1991 he registered with the Engineering Council of South Africa as a PrTechEng. He subsequently completed the [Certificate Course](#), the [Fellowship Course](#) and the [Specialisation in Construction Law Course](#) with the [Association of Arbitrators \(Southern Africa\) NPC](#) ("the Association"). He is a [Fellow](#) of the Association of Arbitrators of Southern Africa and is also a member of the South African Institute of Civil Engineers where he serves on the panel of adjudicators and arbitrators.

With Concor he worked on projects of both a civil engineering and building nature, initially: mining infrastructure, bridges, roads, dams, and later: shopping centres, commercial buildings, industrial buildings and high-rise residential. Whilst managing the Coastal Division, Richard also served as a director on the board of Concor Properties and as the Managing Director of Concor's electrical company, Electro.Network.

Hertz left Concor in late 1999 and formed his own project management consultancy that spawned Key Projects. He was the principal agent on numerous commercial, industrial and residential buildings in Durban, Johannesburg and Cape Town. He was a founder of Key Developments and was involved in several successful developments in Durban, Johannesburg and Cape Town, some in joint venture with a major JSE-listed Property entity.

Since 2010, he has been involved in the development of wind farms in the Eastern Cape as an investor and developer, which involvement is on-going. He was involved in the tilt-up industry for a few years, overseeing special projects where his responsibilities included pricing, technical and commercial. He is currently a partner in a project management consultancy.

Hertz has an intimate knowledge of the built environment industry from the perspectives of contractor, principal agent and developer. He has personally formulated numerous contractual claims and defences for disputes including extensions of time, variations, payment certificates, termination and suspension, and expense and loss. His background provides solid grounding to support his occupation as a claims consultant, party representative, adjudicator and arbitrator in the built environment industry.