

Schutte
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Introduction to our Services

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Welcome

A personal welcome and thank you for your interest. I hope you find this Introduction informative and appealing.

I established Schutte Consulting Limited (SCL) in February 2014. SCL offers key services to industry:

- Consultancy: legal services, accredited Mediation and accredited Early Neutral Evaluation; and
- Training: learning and development workshops, and facilitation.

A snapshot of each is at the end of this welcome note.

You may be asking: why did I decide to set up SCL?

I am passionate about law supporting business, and “*making law work..*” forms the basis of our strap-line. I trained as a solicitor and practised in major City law firms for almost 7 years, where I gained solid grounding in construction and engineering law and practice, and excellent experience in a variety of projects and disputes, working with a mix of public and private sector clients.

In 2006, I decided to work in industry and in 2007 qualified as a Solicitor-Advocate. My aim was to provide a seamless project advisory service for internal clients. During a decade in-house as Senior Counsel at London Underground (the team later merging into the Transport for London legal team) and WSP, I gained experience in corporate governance, regulation and stakeholder interface, and developed expertise in corporate risk strategy, compliance and ethics, both in the UK and globally.

I became a trusted “whole-life project adviser” which was enriching and rewarding. I lived and breathed projects with the individuals and teams tasked with delivery, particularly commercial, finance, PMO and operations. Training project teams for contract management readiness, and offering early support to close out problems with minimal fuss became reliable services with tangible results.

I had to make law work to be a true trusted business adviser.

In-house responsibilities taught me to manage the requirements and expectations of multiple, sometimes competing, interests.

Making law work for the construction and engineering industry

I provided succinct advice distilled down to the absolute necessary, and became a go-to sounding board who gave executives a common sense opinion, fearlessly and without legal frills. I found my natural ability to grasp issues swiftly allowed me to give immediate advice, and delivering difficult messages leveraged my honed advocacy skills and sensitivity to competing objectives.

These experiences formed the basis for 2023's launch of the flexible SCL Class Pass© and SCL Contract Surgery©, ad hoc bookable sessions of 15 or 30 minutes run online with shareable screen; the key is they are centrally-purchased but locally-used, aiming to give busy project leaders space and individuals autonomy.

In 2022, I became accredited in technical project management as CAPM® Project Management Institute (PMI), bringing an unusual dimension to our work, and appreciation of daily project realities.

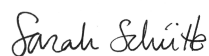
In 2023, I completed a long-held wish to qualify as a Mediator, accredited by Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) and Registered with Civil mediation Council (CMC) since 2024. Appointments taken are commercial and civil, mainly construction.

Our 10th birthday, and additional services

Stepping out alone has been a privilege; when we celebrated our milestone 10th birthday in 2024, I was proud of SCL's success. But we don't stop there! In 2025, I was accredited as an Early Neutral Evaluator by CEDR, and am on their register.

I hope you enjoyed reading this, and find our Services attractive for your organisation.

Best wishes



Sarah Schütte,
Director
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Snapshots

“Making law work for business’ is at the heart of SCL”

Below is a summary of what we do. Please visit the website as well....

Consultancy Services

We are **independent** consultants with 25 years of experience and expertise in construction and engineering projects; we make law work for your business.

As whole-life advisers, we work on projects from beginning to end, but also ad hoc.

We are industry experts in NEC, JCT, FIDIC, PPC and other standard forms, with particular experience in collaborative and partnering contracts, and bespoke agreements. We regularly set up projects and put in place all the jigsaw pieces.

We have extensive experience in dispute avoidance and ADR, mediation, ENE and formal proceedings such as adjudication, litigation and arbitration. We can advise on an appropriate strategy given the spectrum of options under contract and generally.

Legal services for clients are regulated and insured. SCL Class Pass© and SCL Contract Surgery© are offered to non-clients too.

We take appointments for Mediation or ENE as we are accredited by CEDR and CMC.

Training Services

We are passionate about training being **firmly grounded in law** but fused with the **practical reality of business life**. Making law work for business is at the heart of this.

Drawing on our tripartite experience, plus advocacy skills and natural interest in know-how development, we create **content-rich and stimulating** training materials, offering a **semi-bespoke** and **bespoke** service: our starting principle is that every organisation has unique values, ambitions and market presence.

Detailed workshop information is in our Introduction to Training Services brochure.

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