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PROFESSIONAL CURRICULUM VITAE

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Professional Qualifications

1982	B.Sc. (Hons) Land Management - Reading University
1984	Professional Associate of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
1984	Fellow of the Central Association of Agricultural Valuers
1992	Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
2013	Fellow of the National Association of Estate Agents
2025	Qualified Mediator, Society of Mediators.

Employment History

2008 to date.	Senior Partner, Barbers Rural Consultancy LLP. Consultant Market Drayton Market Ltd (Barbers Auctions).
1992 - 2008	Partner, Barbers, Market Drayton. Head of Rural Property Dept.
1985 - 1992	Senior Surveyor, Barbers, Market Drayton.
1982 - 1985	Surveyor, Coles Knapp & Kennedy, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire.

Professional Development

Senior Vice President The Central Association of Agricultural Valuers (CAAV)
Member CAAV Executive and Council
Member of the RICS Rural Group Expert Group.
Past external examiner at Harper Adams University.
Past Branch Chairman of the RICS and the CAAV.
Regular contributor to professional publications and market commentaries.
Contributor to "Agricultural Valuations, a practical guide" by the late RG Williams FRICS FAAV.
Member of the Agricultural Law Association.
Past examiner for the Central Association of Agricultural Valuers and the RICS.
Author of technical guidance on agricultural valuations for the RICS.

Areas of Professional Expertise

- Sale, Valuation, Purchase and Letting of Property, Livestock and Machinery.
- Compulsory Purchase and Compensation, Town and Country Planning. Successful advocate and expert witness in various Compulsory Purchase Inquiries and planning appeals. Experience in various major infrastructure schemes including pipelines, roads and railways (HS2 and other Network Rail schemes).
- Fully trained and experienced Expert Witness.
- Fully trained Mediator (Society of Mediators).
- Land and Property Law, Landlord and tenant disputes including rent reviews.
- Panel Valuer for various High Street Banks and the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.
- Appeared as expert valuation witness in NatWest v Jones 2002 (Tenancies at an under value) and Michael v Miller 2004 (Mortgages, mortgagees' duties on sale) both of which went to the Court of Appeal.
- Advocate for successful Objector to The Wrexham County Borough Council Wrexham Industrial Estate Northern Access Road 2009.
- Appeared as advocate and/or expert witness at various Town & Country Planning Inquiries, Lands Tribunal, Agricultural Land Tribunal, Arbitrations, County and High Court hearings.

Misc

Mike lives in North Shropshire, being the son of a local farmer. He is married to Louise who is qualified mediator and business consultant and is also a partner in Barbers Rural. They have two adult children, one of whom is also a Rural Chartered Surveyor in the south east, the other is a musical, climbing carpenter. Mike is a keen golfer, skier, and sailor. He is an RYA Yatchmaster Coastal and holds a commercially endorsed Advanced Powerboat licence.