

KAMAL ABOU EL ZOLOF LEAD ARCHITECT/ PROJECT MANAGER

Personal, Educational and Language Details:

British Architect, graduated in 1986 from the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, Lebanese University specialising in architectural design of the built environment with more than 30 years continuous professional experience and over 14 years in the Middle East. Mother tongue is Arabic and fully fluent in written and spoken English.

Key Skills:

32 years in building design and detailing industry with contractors, consultants and clients. Skilled architectural designer, with extensive design leadership experience on a wide variety of projects and with particular skills in design coordination, value engineering and design management.

Experience:

2018-present: Fahd Alireza Engineering Consultants, Saudi Arabia – Lead Architect/ Project Manager:

Lead design architect and project manager for the Royal Commission in Yanbu projects including Jazan Bachelor Housing, Jazan Recreation Centre and Jazan Family villas.

2016-2017: Khonaini International Company, KSA – Project Manager:

Supervising design works, construction, finishes, sample submittals and getting approval for design and materials. Working with to get RFI for delivered materials and supervise subcontractors in installation leading to final handover. Ensure that the project is completed on time and within budget and that everyone is performing satisfactorily, follow up on day to day activity and ensure project goals, targets and standards are fully met.

2012-2015: Al Hamdan Consulting, KSA – Lead Architect/ Lead Designer:

Lead designer, responsible for major project design and execution of residential and industrial projects in Khobar, Dammam Industrial City and Jubail Industrial City. Projects included 25,000 sqm steel pipe factory and 8,400 sqm production and administration building including 10,000 sqm landscaping together with all permitting and approvals. Design, detailing and coordination of a development of 380 villas in different styles for the Royal Commission.

2009-2011: BA and BES Contracting, UAE and China – Senior Architect:

Led and managed the design operation covering all design aspects, execution of works, supervision of projects, and coordination between different design aspects, includes all disciplines and a specialized hospital. The design stage included the conceptual phase under the supervision of UHS Design Consultants for technical functions. Prepared the necessary shop drawings for wall settings, floor finishes, ceiling and interior design for each hospital unit. Coordinated all design disciplines and supervise work on site. Attended daily and weekly meetings with client to ensure progress. Line checked and quality control work as specified. Supervise medical equipment purchasing and installation on site and handover hospital on time.

2007-2008: Woods Bagot, UAE-Australia – Design and Coordination Manager:

Managed and coordinated the design operation in the company covering concept design, presentation boards, architectural and interior design drawings, supervision of projects, coordination between different design aspects including all disciplines.

2005-2006: PTAH Design, UK-China – Design Manager:

Led the design team to produce 3D visuals, movies and solid modelling for various projects in Europe and the Middle East. Follow up design progress by consultants, coordination drawings, supervise production of final product in China production offices, delivery and assembling the final model. Design of a prototype industrial unit and office complex with a connecting plaza.

2004-2005: Maison Blanche, London, UK – Design Manager:

Led the design team, prepared drawings and meeting the clients. Secure necessary permits from local authorities. Follow up site works and deliver high standards of final products to clients.

1996-2003: Areen Design Services, UK, Europe, Malaysia, KSA – Design Engineer:

Led team to produce full package of design drawings and follow up with client, including general arrangements, builders work, furniture, finishes, ceiling plans, interior design and building services.