

In brief: Sharon Bowles

CURRENT AND MOST RECENT EMPLOYMENT

I am Principal Solicitor and Director of ABC Food Law, a niche practice specialising in food law, regulation and consultancy to food authorities, industry and consumers. The firm gained its ABS licence in 2013.

I am also Director and Company Secretary of ABC Food Safety, which is a specialist Food Safety Consultancy providing training and advice to local and central government officers specialising in enforcement. I co-founded this company in 2002.

Before setting up ABC Food Safety, I was a solicitor at London Borough of Lewisham in its contracts team where I worked on general contract and procurement matters.

In 2001 I also worked in-house at Laing O'Rourke, a construction firm and worked on construction projects and assisted the Group Company Secretary.

Before joining Laing O'Rourke, I was a solicitor at Sharpe Pritchard, a London law firm specialising in public law work. Here I worked on construction and engineering contracts and general supply contracts for local authority clients.

I trained at the London Borough of Enfield and qualified as a Solicitor in February 1999.

RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS

2014 – Present: De Montfort University; MBA for Lawyers (part-time)

2004-2007: De Montfort University; LLM Food Law

2005-2006: The College of Law London; Legal Practice Course

1989-1993: University of East London; LLB Law

1982-1985: North East London Polytechnic; BSc Psychology