THE LEGAL RIGHT TO USE THE TITLE “QUANTITY SURVEYOR”

The following information applies to persons registered as Candidates in terms of Section 18.(1)(b) of Act 49/2000, regarding their legal right to use the title "Quantity Surveyor" in designating / presenting themselves (to whomsoever):

Registered Candidate Quantity Surveyors - according to Act 49/2000 - (if they are in good standing in terms of the Law of the RSA) are entitled at all times to

= use the title Candidate Quantity Surveyor only and
= append their academic qualifications after their names (in addition to using the statutory title)

Unregistered persons in all fields of economic activity are entitled - only - to append - only - their (legally-achieved) qualifications after their names, for example B.Sc.QS. (Pret)

This written information conveyed by the SACQSP Registrar to registered Candidate QSs, is drawn from the

(i)  Act 49/2000: Sections 1.(xvi) and 18.(2) and (3)
(ii)  SACQSP Code of Professional Conduct clause 3.13
(iii)  Identification of work to be performed by persons registered in terms of Act 49/2000

In the United Kingdom, unless persons are Chartered Quantity Surveyors / Chartered Surveyors arising from their membership of one of the Faculties of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, they may not present themselves as Chartered, but they are perfectly free to use the title "Quantity Surveyor", which, presumably / apparently does not in any way mislead the British public!

Section 14 (g) of Act 49/2000 applies to written statements from the SACQSP Registrar to many registered Candidate Quantity Surveyors who designate themselves as "Quantity Surveyors"

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