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# Michael Griffin MCIPHE RGI RP MSEW OFTEC

#### Objective

To resume my independent working lifestyle, with a portfolio of skills and experience to offer my clients.

Consulting for major clients including BBC Watchdog and Rogue Traders, How Safe is your Home, Salter Rex Estates, Berkeley Homes (Essex and Kent), Gilbert Ash construction, Irwin M & E Ltd, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough districts councils, and a number of independent self managed apartment blocks. I have also been involved with preparing expert witness reports since 1999.

# **Experience**

October 2007 to present Mike Griffin Heating and Plumbing London/Herts

# **Self Employed Sole Trader**

I have returned to sole trading as a multi skilled engineer, and working as an independent consultant and expert witness. I am also delivering training to Gas and Oil engineers as a contractor for HERTS Regional college, G-Tec and Logic4Training.

2006-October2007 Barnet and Islington Griffin and Hall Ltd

### **Working Director**

Combined a mostly commercial and mostly domestic plumbing and heating businesses to provide a base for expansion to a larger company.

1987-2006 Griffin Heating and Plumbing, Barnet and Islington

#### Self Employed / Sole Trader

Operating as a one man band with a number of assistants and trainees over the years.

During these years I have trained a number of Plumbers/Heating Engineers, male and female.

Two male and one female went on to run their own businesses and one male went on to be a British Gas Engineer.

1983–1987 CPS Plumbing. North London, Islington,

# Working Partner

Working in partnership with Terry Whitton the engineer that I trained with when I was at Cashen Ltd, until his retirement shortly after black Wednesday.

1982-1983

Eve Lodge stables.

Newmarket Suffolk

#### Stable Lad

Exercising and caring for race horses.

Caring for Foals, Breeding Mares and Stallions on a stud farm between shifts at Eve Lodge.

1981-1982 Paul Kay Portrait Photographers. Mildenhall/Baker Street

# Hand Colour Printer and Photographer's Assistant.

Hand developing film and transparencies, Hand Colour Printing from negatives and transparencies.

Extra large and canvas Prints

1977-1981 Self Employed Contractor for Cashen Ltd Islington

# **Plumbing and Heating Engineer**

Working as a contractor for Cashen Ltd, working residential homes and commercial premises.

Acting as a subcontractor on behalf of Cashen Ltd on British Gas carrying out repairs and maintenance on Mains Gas pipelines and consumer service layer.

1975-1977 Cashen Ltd Islington

# Trainee Gas/Oil Burner Engineer and Plumber/Pipe fitter

In-house training from the owner/operator of Cashen ltd, working with Clients from local domestic to traveling the country for major national hotel chains working as a fault finding and repair engineer with gas and oil burners. Installing and maintaining boilers and water heaters and central heating ranging from domestic over sink to commercial/communal heating and hot water calorifiers.

1972-1975 Post Office Telephones International Section, Stag Lane

# **Trainee Telecommunications Engineer**

Training in Electronics and Telecommunications
Engineering to City and Guilds, Passed with three credits and one distinction.

1971-1972 Retail experience/Engineering West End and City of London

#### **Retail Sales and Metal Workshops**

I spent most of the year working in a number of short term retail and engineering/Factory jobs while waiting for conformation of late entry onto the **Education** 1962-1963 Highbury Quadrant Infants.

1963-1967 St Joan of Arc, Highbury.

1967-1971 Woodberrydown

Comprehensive

1972-1975 Camden and Islington FE

college

1975-1977 In-house gas/oil/plumbing

training with Cashen Ltd

Throughout My career I have attended various manufacturers, ACOPs, ACS, Unvented Hot water and Energy savings and Air Conditioning/Refrigerants courses to maintain and enhance my qualifications.

**Interests** 

I assist in the running of two charities. I play golf and hold a 21 Handicap. I Scuba dive and hold Advanced Open Water PADI Certificate, I ski to an advanced level. I enjoy reading, Movies, Bowling and have written short stories for my children .