



**LOUIS FARALLO**  
**CPE, CDT, CEI**  
**SENIOR FORENSIC ESTIMATOR**

## Experience Summary

With 28 years of combined experience as a carpenter, superintendent, estimator and quality assurance plan reviewer, Mr. Farallo brings a thorough knowledge of construction, materials, costs and best practice methods.

As a cost estimator for construction defect litigation, and property loss industries, Mr. Farallo has 5 years experience assisting various testifying experts in preparing repair cost estimates and comparative cost analysis for over 80 construction defect litigation cases. Approximately 35 % of the litigation cases have been in support of the plaintiff's side and 65% on the defense side. Types of construction include single family and multifamily residential as well as commercial buildings. A majority of the cases have been class action construction defect litigation cases involving multiple homeowners; others include newly built custom homes, remodeled homes and commercial buildings. Along with preparing the estimates, Mr. Farallo also attended visual and destructive testing site inspections, prepared defect matrixes, prepared allocation and assisted the testifying expert in preparation of scope of repair reports.

In the course of his aforementioned employment Mr. Farallo has assisted in preparing cost estimates for property loss claims evolving from fires, floods and hurricane damage. He has also prepared cost of repair estimates for litigation cases involving real estate disclosure.

As a quality assurance plan reviewer and project manager Mr. Farallo has over 2 years experience preparing reports based on pre-construction reviews of the construction documents. The intent of such reviews was to alert the design professionals to detailing, product selection and interfacing that historically results in a high risk of construction defect litigation.

Mr. Farallo had also worked as a laborer, carpenter and superintendent on multifamily, single family track homes, custom homes, residential remodeling and commercial buildings such as grocery stores, hotels and retail malls. His dedication to his craft over the course of a continuous 20 year career has

resulted in him achieving the level of master carpenter. For more than 5 years he was a working superintendent on high end residential remodeling projects for general contractors self performed rough framing and finish carpentry.

## Professional History

### Gafcon, Inc.

November 2006—Present  
San Diego, CA

As Forensic Estimator and Forensic Case Manager, Mr. Farallo's responsibilities include the following:

- Coordination with client attorney regarding case work and timelines.
- Communicate with other experts, exchange case documents and monitor completion of experts work product.
- Site inspections to collect information for estimating and scope of repair purposes.
- Preparation of quantity surveys from construction documents.
- Preparation of cost estimates based on outside experts and Gafcon's internal experts reports.
- Preparation of comparative cost of repair estimate based on scope of repair brought forward by apposing cost expert.
- Oversee preparation of allocation of responsibility reports.
- Managing and scheduling case work and deadlines of multiple cases.
- Assist internal Gafcon testifying experts in preparation of scope of repair reports.

### Quality Built

February 2005 – November 2006

As Project Manager in the Architectural Services Department, Mr. Farallo's responsibilities included the following:

- Preparation and maintenance of plan review check point template.
- Training and supervision of junior plan reviewers.
- Product research
- Preparation of Quality Assurance Plan Reviews that address detailing and specifications for assemblies that have a high risk of failure and



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are historically seen in construction defect litigation.

- Correspond with design professionals and developers, expanding on plan review comments and evaluating alternate methods of detailing.

#### **Waller and Opsal Consulting**

May 2003 – August 2004

- Preparation of quantity surveys from construction documents.
- Preparation of cost estimates based on outside experts.
- Communicate with other experts, exchange case documents and monitor completion of experts work product.

#### **Lombard Consulting**

July 2001 – May 2003

- Coordination with client attorney regarding case work and timelines.
- Communicate with other experts, exchange case documents and monitor completion of experts work product.
- Site inspections to collect information for estimating and scope of repair purposes.
- Preparation of quantity surveys from construction documents.
- Preparation of cost estimates based on outside experts and Lombard Consulting internal experts reports.
- Preparation of comparative cost of repair estimate based on scope of repair brought forward by opposing cost expert.
- Oversee preparation of allocation of responsibility reports.
- Managing and scheduling case work and deadlines of multiple cases.
- Assist internal Lombard Consulting testifying experts in preparation of scope of repair reports.

#### **Madsen Kneppers and Associates**

October 1999 – July 2001

Site inspections to collect information for estimating and scope of repair purposes.

- Preparation of quantity surveys from construction documents.

- Preparation of cost estimates based on outside experts and Madsen Kneppers and Associates internal expert's reports.
- Preparation of comparative cost of repair estimate based on scope of repair brought forward by opposing cost expert.

September 2004 – November 2004

- Site inspections of buildings throughout the state of Florida for the purpose of documenting hurricane damage.
- Preparation of cost to repair estimates for damage to buildings resulting from hurricanes.

Between 1978 and 1998 Mr. Farallo worked for various general contractors and subcontractors as a rough carpenter finish carpenter, cabinet installer and superintendent.

#### **CERTIFICATIONS:**

Certified Professional Estimator (CPE) through the American Society of Professional Estimators

Construction Document Technology (CDT) Certificate through the Construction Specification Institute

Certified EIFS Inspector (CEI) through the Association of the Wall and Ceiling Industry

#### **LICENSES:**

California State General Building Contractor "B" HIC License # 829906

#### **PROFESIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

General Member of American Society of Professional Estimators (ASPE)

Member of the ASPE San Diego chapter #4 Board of Directors

Certification Chairman of the ASPE San Diego chapter #4

Affiliate Member of the Forensic Experts Witness Association