

Curriculum Vitae

Jamie Popplewell,

Employment History

2011 - 2013 Welfare Benefit Consultant at Nestor Financial Group(formerly Nestor Partnership LLP), fee-based Independent Financial Advisers

- Providing expert knowledge on all welfare benefit issues and social security legislation
- Advising on the use of personal injury trusts for the protection of entitlement to state benefits
- Providing Written appeal submissions to challenge official benefit decisions
- Representing clients at Social Security Tribunal hearings
- Compiling articles on welfare issues
- Speaking at seminars for professionals on the Social Security framework, benefit entitlement and Welfare Reform

2009 – 2010 Employment and Support Allowance Adviser, Department for Work and Pensions

- Advised claimants on issues relating to ESA and support into the labour Market
- Provided advice on all DWP benefits such as Income Support, Jobseekers Allowance and Incapacity Benefit on issues relating to payments, eligibility and compliance

2005 – 2007 Self Employed Welfare Benefits Consultant

- As a freelance Benefit Consultant I provided advice on all benefit related issues on behalf of Local Authorities on a sub-contractual basis
- Dealt with issues surrounding suspension, cessation and overpayments of benefit
- Advised on issues surrounding local housing, welfare rights and Council Tax

2002 – 2005 Chester City Council

Verification Visiting Officer

- Visited claimants in their homes to review entitlement to benefit in the interest of reducing fraud and error
- Conducted fact find exercises and interviews at the initial stages of an investigation
- Supported investigators at interviews under caution

Housing and Council Tax Benefit Assessor

- Reviewed income and circumstances of claimants to assess eligibility for benefit
- Calculated and processed claims to benefit
- Assessed complex benefit cases

2001 – 2002 Flintshire County Council, Fraud and Investigation administrative support

Education

1995 – 2002 Alun School, Mold.

Training & Qualifications

I have completed numerous relevant training courses in the field of welfare benefits, revenues and other related subject matter.

