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Profile

Montse Fontanals Torroja is a Principal with Hemming Morse. She has over eighteen years of experience in the civil construction industry, specializing in claims management, quantum analysis, damages quantification and project controls. As a civil engineer, she combines technical engineering knowledge with quantum and damages analysis, and has experience evaluating both scope entitlement and quantum issues in construction claims.

Ms. Fontanals has assisted owners, contractors and subcontractors in the evaluation of construction claims, including technical evaluations, entitlement assessments, damages quantification, and project control matters arising from public and private construction projects. She has supported clients throughout all phases of dispute resolution, and has served as both a fact witness and an expert witness in construction disputes.

Prior to joining Hemming Morse, Ms. Fontanals has worked in the construction of large and complex civil projects in the U.S. and Spain, being involved in all phases such as estimating, design and construction. She served as a claims manager for Dragados USA, preparing and managing claims to specialty contractors, design firms, insurance and surety companies and owners, including large and complex analysis of direct and indirect impacts, overhead, escalation and delay and disruption damages.

Ms. Fontanals has also been involved in project controls, developing an expertise in all areas of cost, including estimating, forecasting and cost and deviation analysis. She participated in the development, implementation and training of a new cost control analysis system and software for a general contractor.

Ms. Fontanals started her professional career as project engineer. That early experience gives her a broad vision and understanding of all aspects of the construction industry and formed the foundation for her specialization in project cost analysis.



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Employment & Education

2026 – Present	Hemming Morse Forensic and Financial Consultants Principal
2022 – 2026	J.S. Held, LLC Director 2025 - 2026 Associate Director 2022 – 2024
2015 – 2022	Dragados USA Claims Manager, Financial Planning Manager & Senior Project Engineer
2012 – 2014	John P. Picone Inc. Cost Engineer
2007 – 2012	F.C.C Construcción S.A. Project Engineer
2007	Polytechnic University of Catalonia (Spain) M.S., Civil Engineering
2004	Polytechnic University of Catalonia (Spain) B.S., Civil Engineering



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Professional & Service Affiliations

- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)
 - Member

Testimony

Trial & Arbitration

- Balfour Beatty Infrastructure, Inc. v. Houston Water Works Team (2026), Testified as an Expert Witness for Plaintiff
- Custom Lighting Services LLC d/b/a Black & McDonald v. Bluestone Wind, LLC and Ball Hill Wind Energy, LLC (2025), Testified as an Expert Witness for Defendant
- Flatiron Dragados, LLC v. Texas Department of Transportation (2022), Testified as a Fact Witness for Plaintiff

Deposition

- Balfour Beatty Infrastructure, Inc. v. Houston Water Works Team (2026), Testified as an Expert Witness for Plaintiff
- Custom Lighting Services LLC d/b/a Black & McDonald v. Bluestone Wind, LLC and Ball Hill Wind Energy, LLC (2025), Testified as an Expert Witness for Defendant
- FAM Construction, LLC v. WSP USA Solutions Inc. (2025), Testified as an Expert Witness for Plaintiff
- Flatiron Dragados, LLC v. Texas Department of Transportation (2026), Testified as a Fact Witness for Plaintiff



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Presentations

- "Infrastructure from the Ground Up: Geotechnical Engineering," ABA Forum on Construction Law, Regional Meeting, 2024

Selected Experience

Transportation & Infrastructure

- International Bridge Project, Michigan–Ontario
- Bridge-Tunnel Expansion Project, Virginia
- Highway Improvement, Virginia
- Light Rail Transit Service Extension, Massachusetts
- Roadway Improvement, Florida
- Highway Improvement, Colorado
- Bridge Replacement, Texas
- Highway Construction, Ohio
- Metropolitan Transportation Authority – Various Projects, New York

Power & Utilities

- Water Purification Plant Extension, Texas
- Two Wind Farms, New York
- Four Solar Farms, Georgia
- Sewer Treatment Plant, New York
- Emergency Water Main Repairs, New York

Commercial & Government

- Federal Courthouse Construction, Mississippi
- Health Care Facility Renovation, Florida
- Space Building and Testing Facility, Florida
- Missile Magazine Replacement Project, Florida
- New Hotel Construction, New York