

Commercial Construction Estimator

Mefford Contracting | Central Kentucky | Full-Time

TYPICAL PROJECT SIZE
\$500,000 - \$5+ Million

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Build Your Career with Mefford Contracting

A successful project starts with a thoughtful, thorough estimate, and the person behind it.

Mefford Contracting is seeking an experienced **Commercial Construction Estimator** to lead the estimating process from initial project review through bid submission and handoff to our production team.

If you enjoy solving construction challenges, developing competitive bids, and building strong subcontractor relationships, we'd like to meet you. We're looking for someone who takes initiative, pays attention to the details, and takes pride in delivering work the entire project team can rely on.

What You'll Do

- **Own the estimating process** for commercial construction projects typically ranging from \$500,000 to \$5 million.
- Review drawings, specifications, addenda, and bid requirements to understand the complete project scope.
- Perform detailed quantity takeoffs and develop complete estimates.
- Solicit, compare, and evaluate subcontractor and vendor proposals, accounting for scope differences, exclusions, and pricing assumptions.
- Identify scope gaps, construction risks, and opportunities for cost savings.
- Build and maintain strong subcontractor and supplier relationships to secure adequate bid coverage.
- Develop preliminary project schedules and general conditions budgets.
- Lead assigned estimates through bid day, value engineering, and pricing revisions.
- Identify relevant public bid opportunities and track submission requirements and deadlines.
- Prepare complete, organized handoffs to the production team for awarded projects, including scope, pricing, assumptions, exclusions, and key risks.

What You'll Bring

- **Three to five years of commercial construction estimating experience preferred**, with general contractor experience strongly preferred.
- Strong ability to read and interpret construction drawings and specifications.
- Takeoff experience in selective demolition, concrete, framing, drywall, and acoustical ceiling tile (ACT).
- Proficiency with Excel and experience using Buildertrend, Square Takeoff, OneDrive, or comparable construction and collaboration tools.
- Strong organization, communication, and follow-through.
- The ability to manage multiple estimates, deadlines, and priorities independently.
- A degree in Construction Management, Engineering, or a related field is preferred; equivalent practical experience is welcome.

Why Mefford Contracting?

This role offers the opportunity to take ownership of your estimates and make a direct contribution to the projects we pursue and build. Your judgment will help shape competitive bids, identify challenges early, and give our production team a strong foundation for successful project delivery.

We value clear communication, accountability, strong relationships, and pride in the work. We're looking for an estimator who brings those same values to the team.

Benefits

- **Benefits:**
 - o Work Life Balance: Paid Time Off
 - o Health Insurance: Provided for Employee Only, Dependents Added at Employee Cost
 - o Dental and Vision Insurance: Option to Add at Employee Cost
 - o Cell Phone: Company Phone to be Provided
 - o Laptop: Company Laptop to be Provided
 - o Company Simple IRA: Established with Company Match
 - o AAA Membership: Provided for Company and Personal Vehicles
 - o Life Insurance: Company Provided
 - o Short-Term / Long-Term Disability Insurance: Company Provided
- **Work Location: Versailles/Lexington**

How to Apply

Please send your résumé to janderson@meffcon.com with the subject line **“Commercial Construction Estimator Application.”**

Include a brief introduction and examples of the commercial projects you've estimated, noting project sizes and your responsibilities.

For questions about the opportunity, contact Jason Anderson at (859) 551-4423

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