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PHILOSOPHY

Mr. Hyman has adopted a very simple, yet most effective approach to mediation. He will accept any set of circumstances presented and by applying methods he has formulated, develop sufficient areas of commonality between the parties to engender trust in and commitment to the process. Once the parties view settlement as a viable alternative to dispute continuation, then with Mr. Hyman's expertise and guidance, discussions are vigorously pursued until conclusion.

MEDIATOR EVALUATIONS

"Skilled, knowledgeable, effective"

"Thank you for your excellent assistance in resolving the case."

"I considered the manner in which you handled this mediation to have been courteous, professional and helpful. . .it resulted in a complete resolution of the case."

"I am confident that resolution of this emotionally charged dispute would not have been achieved without you."

"Your professionalism and fine suggestions were appreciated and ultimately led to settlement."

Quotes from attorneys and parties.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

For his entire 34 year professional career, Mr. Hyman, (who is "AV" rated) has focused his practice on business, corporate and real estate law performing both transactional and litigation work. During this time, he has amassed extensive trial, mediation and arbitration experience involving an array of complex matters. He has previously served as a Judge Pro Tem in

the Small Claims Court. His litigation practice has spanned the state, federal (including bankruptcy) courts, American Arbitration Association, and even disciplinary hearings before the Hollywood Park Board of Stewards. He has negotiated and drafted agreements touching many aspects of business relations and is therefore an advocate of precise wording, formulation and structure. During his career, Mr. Hyman has represented a variety of clients ranging from individuals, financial institutions and international companies, to television commercial and music video producers, structural and soil engineers and condominium associations.

Mr. Hyman is keenly aware of the role of effective mediation in the resolution of disputes. He is absolutely committed to the process, which he regards as the most efficient method of fashioning equitable settlements of bona fide disputes. Accordingly, concurrent with his practice, he has, since 1993, been engaged in conducting mediations. Given his formal mediation training and strong business background, Mr. Hyman is a most effective and disciplined mediator who is result-oriented. Accordingly, he has successfully mediated a wide assortment of disputes, including tort (e.g., defamation, fraud and legal malpractice), partnership, real estate, and breach of contract matters to name but a few.

The role of a mediator must be adaptable to the circumstances presented in order to assure the greatest opportunity of success. Using varied methods, Mr. Hyman will encourage, facilitate and guide robust and candid discussion between the parties. Where appropriate, he will become an evaluator of positions and strategies in order to advance settlement possibilities. He does what it takes to assist the parties in achieving resolution.