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MEDIATOR / ARBITRATOR / INDEPENDENT PANELIST

Bernie Schneider has served as a mediator with Judge Phillips in numerous matters since 2010 with settlement values ranging from eight to eleven figures and including class and derivative actions, mass torts, securities fraud, financial fraud, business disputes and a complex utility regulatory dispute.



He is a former capital partner of McDermott Will & Emery and has been engaged in his own practice since 2000. During his forty plus year legal career Mr. Schneider has represented public and private companies and investment entities while serving as outside general counsel and general counsel of companies as diverse as financial services companies, institutional lenders, private investment entities, real estate development companies, family offices, a biomedical company, a luxury spirits brand owner and a professional hockey league team while providing merger and acquisition, public and private securities, private equity, real estate, lending, regulatory and general corporate services as well as overseeing complex litigation on behalf of his clients.

Mr Schneider is uniquely qualified to serve as a mediator because of his experience as a businessman and board member in addition to his legal experience. He has served on several public and private boards of directors including as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of a publicly traded

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bank holding company, Chairman of the board of directors of two publicly traded national banks one of which he co-founded, a member of the board of directors of yet another publicly traded bank holding company, co-founder of an oil exploration company currently listed on the London Stock Exchange, and numerous board committees including audit, compensation and governance. He currently serves as a member of the board and the audit committee of a federal savings bank as well as general counsel and member of the executive committee of a National Hockey League team and an arena management company.

Mr Schneider resides in Laguna Beach, California with his wife, Janet Keller and has five children.