## CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY STATE OF MISSOURI

## NEUTRAL QUALIFICATION FORM Pursuant to Local Rule 38

I am applying for inclusion on the list of neutrals to be maintained by the Circuit Clerk pursuant to Local Rule 38 of the Circuit Court of St. Louis County. The following information is supplied in support of this application:

1. Name: Raskas, Jerome F.

2. Address: 7701 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63117-1371

3. Telephone Number: (314) 721-7171

4. Facsimile Number: (314) 721-7765

5. State the standard hourly fee for your services as a neutral: \$250.00 per hour

6. List your appropriate training or equivalent experience in conducting alternative dispute resolution as required for certification under Supreme Court Rule 17.04.

I have completed the Mediation of Civil Cases Course offered by the University of Missouri Law School, Office of Continuing Education, which is a three (3) day course, totaling 20.4 hours of formal training.

7. Please list all areas of substantive law or experience which are or have been a significant part of your professional background or practice.

Since 1959 I have tried and/or handled civil litigation, representing plaintiffs and defendants in business litigation of various types, including, shareholder disputes, insurance disputes, contract disputes, lender and borrower disputes, contractor/owner disputes, contractor/architect disputes and securities law disputes; real estate litigation, including condemnation cases and title insurance disputes; probate litigation, including will contest cases, trust disputes and probate claim disputes; personal injury litigation, including product liability, medical malpractice, automobile accident, slip and fall cases and railroad and seaman injury cases; employment law litigation, including disputes over discrimination, sexual harassment and American for Disabilities Act claims; intellectual property litigation, including copyright and trademark disputes; and domestic relations litigation, including property disputes and custody disputes. I served as City Attorney for the City of Manchester, Missouri, from 1965 to 1968. From 1981 to the present, I have been an Adjunct Professor of Law at Washington University School of Law, where I teach a course in Trial Advocacy. Also, I have served as an officer and director on many business corporations and community service organizations.

- 8. [If the answer to any of the following questions is yes, please explain the circumstances on a separate sheet and attach].
  - a. Have you ever been disciplined for violation of any code of professional ethics or responsibility? No
  - b. Have you ever pled guilty to or been found guilty of a felony? No
  - c. Have you ever been found liable for fraud or any other intentional tort? No
  - d. Have you ever had a professional license revoked or suspended for reasons other than non-payment of dues? **No**
  - e. Have any professional malpractice judgments been entered against you? No
- 9. List the courts and professional organizations in which you current hold certifications as a neutral, mediator, arbitrator, or other ADR service provider.

I recently completed the Mediation of Civil Cases Course and became certified on January 11, 2002. I have not, at this time, received certification in any other court or professional organization.

10. In the space below, briefly describe your experience, qualifications, special areas of expertise, and any other reasons why you should be selected as a neutral.

I believe that my professional background and experience in handling various types of civil cases, both as attorney for plaintiffs and defendants should benefit litigants who are seeking a mediator. Also, I have participated in numerous mediations as attorney for both plaintiffs and defendants and I have served as an arbitrator in various types of disputes. My trial experience includes various types of business litigation, real estate litigation, probate litigation, personal injury litigation, employment law litigation, intellectual property litigation and domestic relations litigation, including property disputes and custody disputes. I served as City Attorney for the City of Manchester, Missouri, from 1965 to 1968. From 1981 to the present, I have been an Adjunct Professor of Law at Washington University School of Law, where I teach a course in Trial Advocacy. Also, I have served as an officer and director on many business corporations and community service organizations.

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January 23, 2002

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In re: Neutral Qualification Form (Pursuant to Local Rule 38)

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Enclosed please find Neutral Qualification Form (Pursuant to Local Rule 38) which I have completed and signed, for inclusion on the list of neutrals to be maintained by the Circuit Clerk of St. Louis County.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours.

JEROME F. RASKAS

JFR:ms Enclosure

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