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M. Daniel Close, CPA/ABV, CVA, is the founder and shareholder of EDR Valuations, Inc. a service business specializing in business valuation and forensic economic analysis. His diverse background of twenty-six years includes experience as an auditor with an International CPA and consulting firm, and as a financial controller and chief financial officer in private industry. Dan has traveled internationally on business valuation assignments and he has testified as an expert witness numerous times since 1993 in deposition and in Superior Court, Federal Court, Bankruptcy Court, and Judicial Arbitration and Mediation in California and Nevada.

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