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Jim Skorheim has been described by the Orange County Bar Association as “Orange County’s top financial expert witness.” He has extensive courtroom experience and has served in over 200 business litigation cases. Jim was the plaintiff’s damages expert in the Beckman v Flextronics case which resulted in the largest jury verdict in Orange County history. He has been instrumental in numerous defense verdicts as well. In all, Jim has assisted his clients obtain over \$1.3 billion in verdicts, settlements and arbitration awards. He has also served as an arbitrator, mediator and accounting referee in a variety of matters. Jim is a former partner with Deloitte and Moss Adams and is a CPA, attorney, Certified Fraud Examiner, Certified Valuation Analyst and Certified Forensic Accountant. During Jim's 30 years in practice he has developed expertise in accounting and auditing, securities analysis, taxes, financial and estate planning, business valuation, business consulting, corporate governance, risk management and commercial insurance claims services for both small and fortune 500 companies. Jim’s clients have spanned virtually all major industries including real estate, financial services, retail, healthcare, manufacturing, distribution, technology and utilities. He has served in a wide variety of litigation matters including breach of contract, business torts, lost profits, business valuation, alter ego, fraudulent transactions, wage and hour claims, unfair competition, fiduciary duty, IP infringement, trade secrets, officers’ and directors’ practices, commercial insurance claims, partner/shareholder disputes, wrongful termination, corporate governance and business practices. Jim is a frequent lecturer on commercial damages and other financial topics. Some of Mr. Skorheim's assignments have included the following:

- Assisted a Fortune 1000 medical products manufacturer win a record-breaking jury verdict against one of its component vendors for failures which caused disruptions to its production operations;
- In 2006 predicted collapse of sub-prime mortgage industry and obtained a “no damages” arbitration decision relating to a failed merger between two mortgage bankers;
- Assisted in a breach of contract and fraud action against one of the world's largest technology companies which resulted in a jury verdict of \$116 million for his client;
- Assisted Fortune 1000 telecommunications company obtain a \$48 million jury verdict for infringement of various intellectual property rights;
- Developed a novel asset tracing approach that expanded the law in a federal fraudulent transfer and equitable lien case that was specifically considered and approved in the federal appellate opinion;
- Assisted plaintiff’s class obtain 8 figure settlement from Orange County Register in a recent employment classification, wage and hour class-action case;
- Assisted an international import-export vendor obtain a \$30 million verdict for fraudulent transfers and alter ego liability against its customer and its customer's shareholders; and
- Assisted one of the world's largest manufacturers obtain an 8 figure settlement from one of its parts vendors for losses caused by defective products.