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FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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The franchise is for a DIVORCE WITHOUT WAR® divorce mediation business (the "DWW Business") DWW Businesses offer to the public divorce mediation services as an alternative approach to the traditional, and sometimes expensive and adversarial, divorce process

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a DWW Business franchise ranges from \$23,800 to \$63,500 This includes \$19,500 that must be paid to the franchisor or affiliate

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, us or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact our Chief Executive Officer, Thomas Cromer, at 6910 N. Kendall Drive, Suite 202, Miami, Florida 33156 and (786) 224-5051

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract Read all of your contract carefully Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at <a href="https://www.ftc.gov">www.ftc.gov</a> for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state Ask your state agencies about them

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## STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE WITH A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit "G" for information about the franchisor or franchising in your state

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise

- THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION ONLY IN FLORIDA OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE WITH US IN FLORIDA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE
- THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT THE LAW OF FLORIDA GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS
- 3 AS A MEDIATOR, A FRANCHISEE DOES NOT PROVIDE LEGAL ADVICE OR PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE MEDIATION PARTICIPANTS
- 4 THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE

Effective Date See the next page for state effective dates

(SEE EXHIBIT "H" FOR STATE SPECIFIC ADDENDA AND RIDERS)
(FOR STATE AGENCIES AND AGENTS FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS, SEE EXHIBIT "G")



## **EFFECTIVE DATES**

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates

STATE	EFFECTIVE DATE	
California	Effective	, 2015
Hawaii		
Illinois	Effective	, 2015
Indiana		
Maryland		
Michigan		
Minnesota		
New York	Effective	, 2015
North Dakota		
Rhode Island		
South Dakota		
Virginia	****	
Washington		
Wisconsin		

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