

REGIONAL SUBFRANCHISOR DEPT OF CORPORATIONS FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT SAN FRANCISCO FOR USE IN CALIFORNIA

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As a Regional Subfranchisor you shall be licensed by us to identify, offer, sell, support, and service RE REALTY EXPERTS Subfranchise offices within your Regional Subfranchisor Exclusive Territory, including those RE REALTY EXPERTS offices that are owned and operated by you. As compensation for your efforts you shall receive and share in the Continuing Royalty Fees and the Initial Subfranchise Fees that are paid by your Subfranchisees.

The initial non-refundable Franchise Fee for a RE REALTY EXPERTS Regional Subfranchisor Franchise is \$1,000 per 100,000 population within your Exclusive Territory, with a minimum Initial Franchise Fee of \$30,000. The total estimated initial investment to begin operations of your RE REALTY EXPERTS Regional Subfranchisor Franchise including the Initial Franchise Fee, ranges from \$90,250 to \$350,000.

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 Disclosure Document.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Do not rely on the Disclosure Document alone to understand your contract. Read your entire 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, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at <u>www.ftc.gov</u> for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

See the following page for a description of special risk factors relating to this Franchise.



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 BY 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 "F" for information about the franchisor, or about 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.

THE CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE INVESTMENT LAW REQUIRES THAT A COPY OF ALL PROPOSED AGREEMENTS RELATING TO THE SALE OF THE FRANCHISE BE DELIVERED TOGETHER WITH THE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this Regional Subfranchisor Franchise:

- 1. THE REGIONAL SUBFRANCHISOR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES THAT ALL DISAGREEMENTS BE MEDIATED AND LITIGATED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. OUT OF STATE MEDIATION, AND LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO MEDIATE AND LITIGATE WITH US IN ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT CALIFORNIA GOVERNS THE LICENSE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS YOUR STATE. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. THE FRANCHISE SYSTEM ONLY HAS OPERATING HISTORY FROM 2009.
- 4. REAL ESTATE LICENSES ARE REQUIRED. REAL ESTATE LICENSING LAWS ARE NOT THE SAME IN EACH STATE. YOU MUST COMPLY WITH THESE LAWS.
- 5. FAILURE TO MEET QUOTA REQUIREMENTS COULD RESULT IN TERMINATION OF YOUR **REGIONAL SUBFRANCHISOR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.**
- 6. A SPOUSE THAT IS NOT PARTY TO THE REGIONAL SUBFRANCHISOR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WILL BE REQUIRED TO GIVE A PERSONAL GUARANTY. A SPOUSE WILL BE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE FOR ALL OBLIGATIONS OF THE FRANCHISE WHETHER OR NOT THE SPOUSE IS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION OF THE FRANCHISE BUSINESS. THIS PLACES THE PERSONAL ASSETS OF THE OWNERS AND THE OWNER'S SPOUSE AT RISK.
- 7. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

We may use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise.

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