Lester M. Sussman, CPA

Les has more than 40 years of professional services and private industry experience in accounting and corporate governance. Since 2005, Les has been the Senior Practice Director of the Governance Risk & Compliance (GRC) practice area for Resources Global Professionals (RGP), providing corporate governance, risk management and compliance services to clients globally. Les is a frequent speaker on corporate governance and risk management topics. He also leads RGP's financial services industry group for the western region of the United States.

As an audit partner with Deloitte & Touche, Les held several leadership positions, including Partner in Charge of the Financial Services Group for the Pacific Southwest Region, Partner in Charge of the Capital Markets consulting practice for the West Region, Partner in Charge of the Woodland Hills office, National Director of Recruiting and College Relations and President of the Deloitte & Touche Foundation.

After 26 years with Deloitte, Les joined Gemstar TV Guide as Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Accounting Officer, with responsibility for all aspects of the finance organization for this \$900 million public company with operations in media, publishing, technology and licensing.

Les is currently a member of the Board of Directors of East West Bancorp, where he serves as chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of the Risk Oversight Committee. Les also recently served as a member of the Board of Directors of CU Bancorp for four years where he was Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee. Additionally, Les is the immediate past Chairman of the Board and is currently a member of the Executive Committee of the Braille Institute.

Les is a licensed certified public accountant in the State of California and maintains current memberships with the American Institute of CPA's, the California Society of CPA's and the Institute of Internal Auditors.