

# OPINE EXPERTS

## **LIGHTNER PROPERTY GROUP LAUNCHES OPINE EXPERTS AS TALENT AGENCY TO MATCH REAL ESTATE PROS WITH LAW FIRMS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, INVESTORS**

*First-of-its-kind Full-Service Firm Offers Forensic Consulting, Expert Witnesses Tapped From California Real Estate Industry to Deliver Authoritative Counsel for Legal Matters and Projects*

**SAN FRANCISCO (June 8, 2011)** – Lightner Property Group, a California real estate management and development company operated by licensed attorneys, today announced the launch of Opine Experts ([opinexperts.com](http://opinexperts.com)) to bridge the information gap between the legal profession and the real estate industry by providing forensic consultants and expert witnesses who specialize in customary to complex real estate issues.

Opine Experts is a full-service talent agency covering a variety of property types and issues. It matches the expertise of contractors, structural engineers, property managers, and other specialists with law firms, civil litigators, insurance defense, investors, and more for a variety of needs including litigation support, due diligence investigations, and project management.

“Opine Experts was born out of necessity as a one-stop-shop for high-level real estate experts using a 30-year-old Rolodex and our in-depth expertise in real estate and law,” said Bill Lightner, Esq., co-founder of Opine Experts. “Real estate touches our lives every day, and it can be complicated. Our goal is to make finding pre-screened specialists hassle-free; to jump start the process, people can search our website for talent or feed us an S-O-S and we’ll do the leg work to locate the best expertise.”

Its founders’ deep background in both law and real estate makes Opine the first talent agency to provide California-focused real estate expertise to the lawyers and investors who need it.

“Our vision is to become known as the go-to place for expertise in all matters touching real estate, whether it’s about bricks and mortar, financial, transactional, landlord-tenant, operational, environmental or regulatory matters,” said Merrie Turner Lightner, co-founder of Opine Experts. “We intend to set the bar for best practices in real estate business and forensic consulting, and we invite those with qualified expertise to join us.”

Currently, Opine Experts is fielding inquiries to populate its talent roster of real estate expertise. There are more than a dozen professionals who bring nearly 70 specialty areas of expertise to Opine Experts from a wide breadth of real estate including general contractors, lawyers, consultants, and forensic experts.

### **About Opine Experts**

Opine Experts represents authoritative experts who provide forensic and business consulting services regarding California real estate matters. Its clients may be a law firm seeking an expert witness, an insurance defense lawyer, or a real estate investor seeking a project consultant. We search for, screen, qualify and invite the best authorities to join our talent pool. We then find appropriate opportunities for them to engage with our clients. We don't seek a large number of experts, only the best in each of the myriad aspects and regional nuances of California real estate. Qualified experts are invited to engage Opine Experts as their agent, either on an exclusive or non-exclusive basis.

### **About Lightner Property Group**

Lightner Property Group is a cutting edge, highly sophisticated boutique San Francisco property management and real estate development company. Lightner Property Group was built on a foundation of technology, coupled with a commitment to consistency and efficiency. The company is focused on providing cost-effective and highly systematic property management services for residential multifamily housing and commercial properties in San Francisco as well as the Bay Area.

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