

# Recommendation

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Last year I needed to sell a family-owned duplex in Pasadena, California. I now live in Arlington, Virginia, and am not familiar with today's Southern California real estate scene. So to begin, I telephoned several agents who either were recommended or had contacted me about the property. Sonia Amin, at Re/Max Tri-City Realty in Pasadena, immediately impressed me as being experienced, knowledgeable, sincere, and not given to exaggeration. After selecting her to represent me, I never had reason to regret the choice.

The property itself apparently was quite desirable and not difficult for Ms. Amin to market. Within days of being listed, it received multiple offers higher than the appraised value and asking price. However, the offers differed greatly in their terms, and presenting the offers and their tradeoffs clearly and fairly to me, a seller who was more than 2,500 miles and three time zones away, presented challenges. After I accepted an offer, the buyer and the buyer's agent proved difficult to deal with in several ways. Finally, the escrow and title process was complicated by earlier intra-family property transfers occasioned by deaths and estate planning.

Throughout the entire cycle, from pre-listing appraisal to post-closing cash in the bank, Ms. Amin was attentive, persistent, and helpful; kept me informed at least daily by both telephone and email; was overtly ethical in every situation; was very patient and encouraging when the contract and escrow process had frustrating twists and turns; and took advantage of legal counsel and other resources within Re/Max. The escrow agent she recommended, Talin Shahinian at Golden West Escrow, was similarly careful and professional. I enthusiastically recommend Sonia Amin to anyone who is looking for a great realtor.

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