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David Bindel, an agent at Sotheby's International Realty in Carmel and Carmel Valley, was recognized for being in the top 2.5 percent of the NRT's 41,000 agents nationally. Sotheby's is part of the NRT family.

Vicki Lyftogt of Elder Focus, LLC in Monterey has earned a state professional fiduciary license. The license allows her to act conservator, guardian, trustee, personal representative, and agent under durable power of attorney. She is also a Registered Guardian, a nationally recognized designation.

Carl A. Mounteer, a Pacific Grove attorney, has been appointed as a fee arbitrator to the State Bar of California's Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program. He began serving July 20 and will continue through December.

The program arbitrates disputes between attorneys and their clients over the attorney's fees. Mounteer has more than 24 years of experience in criminal and civil litigation including training as a mediator and an arbitrator.

Thomas Worthington of The Worthington Law Centre in Salinas has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2013 in non-white collar criminal defense and white-collar criminal defense. It is the 27th straight year that Worthington has been selected for the listing, which is determined by a survey of attorneys.