

<u>Lower Pacific Heights Building Recovers \$1.5 Million</u> For Faulty Construction

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San Francisco, Calif. – A contemporary condominium building at 1970 Sutter Street has recouped \$1.5 million for numerous construction defects after only 9 months from hiring The Miller Law Firm.

The 19-unit residential building is located in the neighborhood where lower Pacific Heights and Western Addition converge. The settlement was reached in mediation and is being funded by insurance companies for the builder, 1960 Sutter, LLC, the general Nibbi **Brothers** Construction. and window contractor. manufacturer Milguard Manufacturing, Inc. Failure weatherproofing systems on the stucco siding, roof, windows, decks and doors, with water intrusion into the interior walls, floors and ceilings plagued this building. Damages of \$78,000 per unit were recovered.

According to Thomas E. Miller, CEO of The Miller Law Firm, "This Association came to us after having been in litigation for nearly three years with no trial date and no resolution in sight.

Consumers should know that construction defect claims are a highly complex area of the law and the expertise needed to obtain to a timely recovery is key."

Jeff Ho, President of the 1970 Sutter Street Owner's Association, states, "Getting a second opinion on the progress of our case was key to helping us determine that a viable alternative did exist to return a favorable recovery in a reasonable amount of time."

According to Karen Katz of Property Management One, "The serious defects and frequent repairs that this building faced were overwhelming. Having this claim resolved with a recovery that will let them rebuild is important to the owners and to the community."

According to Rachel Miller, Senior Partner of The Miller Law Firm, "Associations who simply need advice turn to us every day. These communities show such relief in hearing that it is possible to resolve a claim in a reasonable time frame. Associations do have a resource."

Thomas E. Miller and Rachel M. Miller of The Miller Law Firm (www.ConstructionDefects.com) are the co-authors of, "Home and Condo Defects: A Consumer Guide to Faulty Construction," (Seven Locks Press, 2012), available online at www.amazon.com.

Detailed information regarding this case can be accessed via the San Francisco Superior Court website at www.sftc.org, case number CGC-09-486342.