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positive solutions group announces partnership with chamber of commerce in conjunction with mediation month, March 2006 text

Positive Solutions Group, LLC founded in 2005 to provide mediation services for commercial clients, announced, in conjunction with Governor Kaine proclaiming March "Mediation Month", that it has teamed up with the Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce to inaugurate a Business Mediation Service beginning this month.

In partnership with Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce, Positive Solutions Group, LLC will provide discounted mediation and other alternative dispute resolution services to the regional business community. This partnership has been formed to raise awareness of the benefits to businesses in using commercial dispute options such as mediation. These benefits include avoidance of the often-costly option of litigation, and improving and saving valuable relationships between businesses and their employees, customers and suppliers. Mediation and other alternatives-to-court dispute options give businesses an opportunity to have win-win outcomes to their disputes.

According to the Governor's proclamation released last week, mediation principles and philosophies result in a "renewed effort for doing business with respect, common sense, and accentuating the positive in every transaction and relationship."

Bryan Thomas Area Executive of BB&T, who serves on the Chamber's Board of Directors, agrees with the value of mediation. "Our Chamber is always looking for benefits that enhance success and profitability. Commercial disputes can hinder that success and eat into the bottom line. This new partnership provides an opportunity for our Chamber to expand opportunity to resolve such issues."

Positive Solutions Group, LLC, is comprised of mediators with extensive business and mediation experience. The Group's mediators are available to businesses, organizations and individuals to assist them in facilitating agreements, successfully resolving conflicts, avoiding the costly impact of litigation and developing and utilizing conflict prevention strategies. The members of Positive Solutions Group, LLC, are Jane Dittmar, formerly President of the Chamber and Phil LaMar and Duane Zobrist who are attorneys with business backgrounds.

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