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**BUSINESS PUBLICATION RANKS WEST VALLEY REAL ESTATE AGENT
AMONG TOP TEN IN ARIZONA**

PHOENIX – (March 21, 2005) – *Ranking Arizona 2005*, published by **Arizona Business Magazine**, lists Audrey Hickman of West USA among the top ten real estate agents in the state. The publication, which is released annually and has completed eight issues, determines its findings through data generated by a popular opinion poll voted on by the general public. Participants who vote base opinions on the quality of product, service, and people. Unlike other polls, *Ranking Arizona* does not consider a company's revenues or number of employees to be primary criteria for determining its position in the business community.

Audrey says, "I was both delighted and humbled to be named to this list. The competition is stiff, especially these days, but I have always tried to provide personal service that goes far beyond what is considered the norm for my profession. I simply love what I do, and I believe my clients benefit from my enthusiasm. Despite my years in the business, it still remains exciting for me to be the matchmaker for people and the homes of their dreams."

Audrey has sold homes in metropolitan Phoenix for 23 years, and is a Certified Residential Specialist, a distinction that less than five percent of all Realtors obtain. She is a graduate of the Realtor Institute and currently serves all areas of the Valley. In addition, Audrey provides referral services for out of state needs. She comments, "The fact that my current and past clients over my two decade career voted for me and still believe in my ability brings tears to my eyes."

Voting for *Ranking Arizona* is conducted year round on an ongoing basis. Information about *Ranking Arizona 2006* can be obtained by accessing the publisher's website at azbusinessmagazine.com, or by calling Audrey Hickman at 602-397-0813.
