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Name: Mehmet Sengulen

Title: Audit Partner

Company: Grassi & Co.

Location: New York metro area

Birthplace: Ankara, Turkey

Education: BS and MBA from St. John's University

First job outside of real estate: First job was at Radio Shack as a sales person.

First job in real estate or allied field: Started my career as a CPA at KPMG.

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? I am an audit partner at Grassi & Co. We are looking to expand the firm's presence in the real estate industry through exceptional client service to small and medium size entities.

How do you unwind from a busy day in real estate? I enjoy a glass of wine with my wife and watching my two crazy kids (3 and 1) destroy my home.

Favorite book or author: Vince Flynn, may he rest in peace.

Favorite movie: "The Patriot" with Mel Gibson

Last song you purchased/downloaded? "Pachelbel Canon"

One word to describe your work environment: Nurturing

Rules to live by in business: My clients' perceptions are my reality. It is irrelevant if I think that I am doing a good job. My client's perception of the value they receive from me is the single most important driver of my everyday activities.

If you could invite one person to dinner (living or dead) who would it be and where would you go? I would like to take George Washington to One if by Land, Two if by Sea.

What is your dream job? Retirement

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