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1 Pennsylvania Supreme Court 1974*
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Texas Supreme Court 1991*
United States Supreme Court 1979*
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ANSWERS TO SPARKER'S SOAPBOX

1. Rick Mellon on ballot, Passport Marvin Richard Mellon, 79+ years old DOB 9/27/1946
2. Born; Philadelphia, PA: Childhood, High School, Law School; Pittsburgh, PA: Air Force Maxwell AFB, AL:
3. *Auburn University, B.S. Aero Space Management, Aviation Law and Policy, Facility Management, OSHA, FAA Regulations, Financial Planning, Land Use Development.
*Duquesne University Law School, J.D.
4. *Founder/CEO Mellon Heritage Veterans' and First Responders' Outreach and Wellness Campus Improving their lives through education career enhancement and Wellbeing.
*Managing Partner Sheinberg, Mellon and Hoover, offices Washington, DC, Pittsburgh,
*Judge / Special Master Common Pleas Court, Allegheny County, PA
*Appointed Arbitrator U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
*Certified Arbitrator; Qualified Arbitrator, Florida
5. *U.S. Airforce 1968-1971 1st Lt, Honorable; *Rotary Club, Secretary, Board Member;
*FAA Safety Team (FAAST). *Golden Paws Assistant Dogs, board member; *Quest For Success Scholarships, board member, finance; *Flight, finance ER Pilot. *Civil Air Patrol, cadet pilot, mission pilot, search and rescue. *Naples Airport Noise Compatibility Committee, chair. FAA 50 years of safe flight award.
6. *FAA Commercial Pilot, Instrument, Single/Multi engine; *Owner Maule SEL Aircraft;
*25+ years airport facility user and tenant. *Volunteer tour guide for Collier Schools.
7. *Open collaborative meetings of all neighborhoods with airport officials to air concerns and discuss issues, done in an open session without the Formal Board Meeting restrictions. I believe we currently lack the ability as residents of Collier County to have the opportunity to speak directly to board members, and have an even exchange of concerns, with the input of board members made public.
*Transparency in airport decisions, growth, expansion, increased usage, commercial flights, safety concerns and neighborhood integrity.
*Investigate over usage of airport facilities by non-revenue creating operations.

*Financial responsibility of airport usage. I understand the airport is self sustaining, however when an opportunity comes about for non-recourse funding to increase safe usage, we must avail ourselves of that opportunity.

8. I disagree with the current boards decision to refuse a multi million dollar grant from the FAA to improve taxi way and ramp improvements.

9. I applaud the Authority's decision to continue input from the Noise Compatibility Committee and allow more resident participation.

10. Please see attached

11. Instagram RickMellonFL

THANK YOU



Rick Mellon

NEEDS YOUR VOTE TO BE ELECTED TO THE

NAPLES AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD

Seat 4 of the 2 Newly Allocated County Seats

- *FAA Ratings; Commercial Pilot; Instrument, Single/Multi Engine, Sea**
- *25 + years Flight Facilities, and Hangar Tenant of Naples Airport**
- *Former Chairman of Naples Airport Noise Compatibility Committee**
- *1968 – 1971 United States Air Force 1st Lieutenant (Honorable Discharge)**
- *1970 Graduate Auburn University “B.S. Aerospace Management”**
Aviation Law and Policy; Facility Management, OSHA, Flight Operations, FAA Regulations, Financial Planning; Land Use Development (Permitting, Zoning)
- *1974 Graduate Duquesne University School of Law**
- *Business Experience;**
Managing Partner Multi State Law Firm, Pennsylvania & Washington, D.C.
Founder; Veterans’ and First Responders’ Outreach and Wellness Campus
Judge / Special Master; Federal Court Arbitrator; Allegheny County PA;
- *Governmental Agencies Practice: Federal Aviation Administration; Internal Revenue Service (audit and Investigations); Equal Employment Opportunities Commission; National Labor Relations Board; Environmental Protection Agency; Justice Department (Americans With Disabilities Act); Workers’ Compensation Board; Municipal Real Estate Assessment and Code Enforcement.**

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY; DEDICATION TO OUR COMMUNITY

**PLEASE HELP ME GIVE
ALL COLLIER COUNTY RESIDENTS A VOICE
IN OUR AIRPORT’S OPERATION**