

## **CONFIDENTIAL**

# PSYCHOLOGICAL APPRAISAL

**Applicant:** Ms ELIZABETH SAMPLE

Client: Client Contact Name

**Client Position** 

**CLIENT COMPANY NAME** 

**Client Address** 

**Position:** General Manager - Human Resources

Date of Report: 4 June 2003

**SAMPLE ONLY** 

High Potential Candidate



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## PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT

## The California Psychological Inventory<sup>TM</sup> (CPI)

The CPI was used to assess the personality functioning of Ms Sample. This well-researched, objective instrument provides relevant information about the applicant, predicting strengths and weaknesses.

## Orientation to the California Psychological Inventory (CPI)

Ms Sample's responses to the questions on the CPI appear to have been made in an honest and consistent manner. The profile is therefore highly likely to present an accurate picture.

## **General Description of Applicant**

Overall, the profile indicates stable personality functioning in Ms Sample.

She is best described as a highly articulate, intelligent and energetic individual who truly values cognitive and intellectual matters. She appears to possess excellent interpersonal skills, and she is likely to be seen as a warm and friendly person. She should prove to possess high average levels of honesty and integrity. The profile suggests that she possesses high aspirations for herself, and will seek challenging leadership positions, which she should prove able to handle with skill and diplomacy. She appears to possess high levels of creativity, flexibility and innovation, and should prove able to look well beyond the confines of her position, noting even subtle signals in the environment that indicate a need for change or reaction.

The results identify the following significant behavioural attributes:

#### PERSONAL FACTORS

## **Energy Levels**

- Ms Sample appears to have well above average energy levels.
- She should prove to be an assertive individual who takes the initiative and gets things done.

#### Level of Self-Confidence

• Ms Sample appears to have a well-developed sense of her own personal worth and is likely to feel sure of herself in most situations.

#### Stress Tolerance

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample has a well-developed capacity to handle most forms of stress.
- She may be somewhat vulnerable to personal criticism.

#### **Need for Independence**

- Ms Sample appears to be a strongly independent person who has the capacity to differ from and stand apart from others.
- She should prove to be assertive, self-directed, and able to gain success through her own endeavours.



#### INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

#### **Level of Social Involvement**

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample is a highly socially interactive individual who has a genuine liking for other people.
- She is likely to present as witty and animated, easily able to express her ideas, and socially poised.

#### **Social Confidence**

• The profile suggests that Ms Sample enjoys both formal and informal social occasions, and will present as energetic, enthusiastic, poised and self-confident.

## **Insight Into Others**

- Ms Sample appears to be an insightful person who takes the time to carefully study people and their drives and motives.
- The profile suggests that she will usually be seen as observant and perceptive.

#### **Interpersonal Sensitivity**

- Ms Sample appears to be a diplomatic and non-judgmental individual.
- She should prove to understand the need to create a favourable impression in the eyes of others, and to moderate her behaviour accordingly.

#### **Building Relationships**

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample moderates her dominance with a degree of sensitivity towards others.
- Thus, whilst some may see her as overly self-confident and even arrogant, most should happily establish productive relationships with her.

#### **Teamwork**

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample will observe the norms of group behaviour, and is not inclined to manipulate others.
- She appears to be highly independent, and is likely to assert her own point of view even if it differs from that of others.
- She is likely to feel a strong need to assume an important leadership role within a group, and will tend to take control in many situations.

## Persuasiveness

- Ms Sample should prove to be an articulate and forceful individual who is able to gain cooperation from others.
- She is likely to use logic and debate as her preferred method for winning people over to her viewpoint.



#### **WORK STYLE**

#### **Ability to Follow Through**

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample has an above average ability to follow tasks through to completion.
- For the most part, she should prove to be orderly and organised, assuming responsibility and following through with obligations.

#### Ability to Work in a Structured Environment

• The profile suggests that Ms Sample has high average achievement needs in settings where teamwork and the following of set rules and procedures are required.

#### Ability to Work Independently

- Ms Sample appears to have very high achievement needs in settings where independence and autonomy are required.
- This appears to be her preferred working environment.
- She is likely to prefer to work without close supervision, and to desire some decision-making power.

#### **Ability to Learn New Things**

- Ms Sample should prove to be a rational, clear-thinking and logical person who is able to deal quickly and effectively with new
  and complex issues.
- The profile suggests that she will assume a broad perspective, looking beyond the confines of her position and quickly recognising even subtle clues that signal changes in the environment.

#### Integrity

- Ms Sample appears to possess high average levels of integrity.
- She should prove to be an honest and sincere person who understands and follows the rules and conventions of everyday life with little or no difficulty.

#### **Self-Control**

• The profile suggests that Ms Sample has high average levels of self-control, and is likely to prove disciplined and stable.

#### **Planfulness**

- Ms Sample appears to possess high average levels of planfulness.
- She is likely to adopt an open-ended, responsive approach to planning, and should have little difficulty adapting her plans to meet new circumstances.

#### Creativity

Ms Sample appears to possess a creative temperament, and is likely to be imaginative and innovative.

#### **Flexibility**

- Ms Sample appears to possess well above average levels of flexibility in her thinking and behaviour.
- She should prove to enjoy variety and to be quick to adapt to changing environments and circumstances.



#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Desire to Lead**

- Ms Sample appears to possess a well above average desire to lead and to hold managerial responsibilities.
- She should prove to be ambitious, confident, optimistic and poised.

#### Leadership Style

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample will exhibit a strong, out-front leadership style.
- She is likely to enjoy directing, advising and coordinating the activities of others, and to adopt an assertive and dominant style.
- The profile suggests that in most situations, Ms Sample's understanding of others will prevent her from being perceived as overly authoritarian.
- However, she is likely to enjoy being seen as powerful and unique, and she may become defensive if her status is threatened.

#### **Empowering/Developing Others**

- The profile suggests that Ms Sample likes to maintain control, and she may not always delegate responsibility to others.
- She is likely to set high standards for herself and others, and she may become impatient if they are not met.

#### Potential Strengths (when considered for this position)

- Ms Sample appears to be an energetic, leadership oriented person who has very high aspirations for herself.
- She appears to possess excellent interpersonal skills, and the ability to lead a wide range of individuals effectively.
- The profile suggests that she will be hard working and creative, and that she possesses the ability to rapidly learn new and complex material.

#### Potential Weaknesses (when considered for this position)

 The profile did not reveal any significant weaknesses when Ms Sample is considered for the position of General Manager -Human Resources.



## **SUMMARY**

Personality assessment	indicates some	considerable st	rengths whe	n she is c	onsidered	for the role of	General	Manager -	Human
Resources.									

Having regard to the overall results of this assessment, it is possible to RECOMMEND Ms Sample for appointment to this position.

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