The Islander Resort

TRANSITION TO NEW MANAGEMENT COMPANY & DISPOSITION

OVERVIEW

CLIENT: HOBBS & CURRY

In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic and transactional markets came to a halt, The Plasencia Group represented a private owner in the operational oversight and sale of a 139-key, 24acre resort in Islamorada in the Florida Keys. The sale of this beachfront resort exceeded owner's expectations.

ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Assisted ownership with the implementation of a robust strategic operations plan, highlighted by the selection of and transition to a new management company at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Analyzed the resort's Sales & Marketing strategies to **increase revenues and improve the usage of the PACE report** based on competitive set
- > Worked with the hotel team on improving flow-through for food and beverage (F&B) with better procedures, strict cost controls, menu revisions, and greatly improved service levels
- > **Evaluated staffing across entire resort**, including COVID-related occupancies, and established opening staffing guides and productivity expectations
- Overcame hurricane-related disruption in the midst of pandemic operating environment; navigated jurisdictional closing and reopening policies and successfully implemented reopening plan to drive occupancy as lockdowns receded
- **Positioned property for record profitability** in 2021 after running in the red during 2019 and 2020



CASE STUDY