HOW M&A, SUCCESSION PLANNING, AND ESTATE PLANNING AFFECT VALUE



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AGENDA

Economic Update

Value is Relative

- Estate Planning
- Succession Planning
- M&A

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Summary

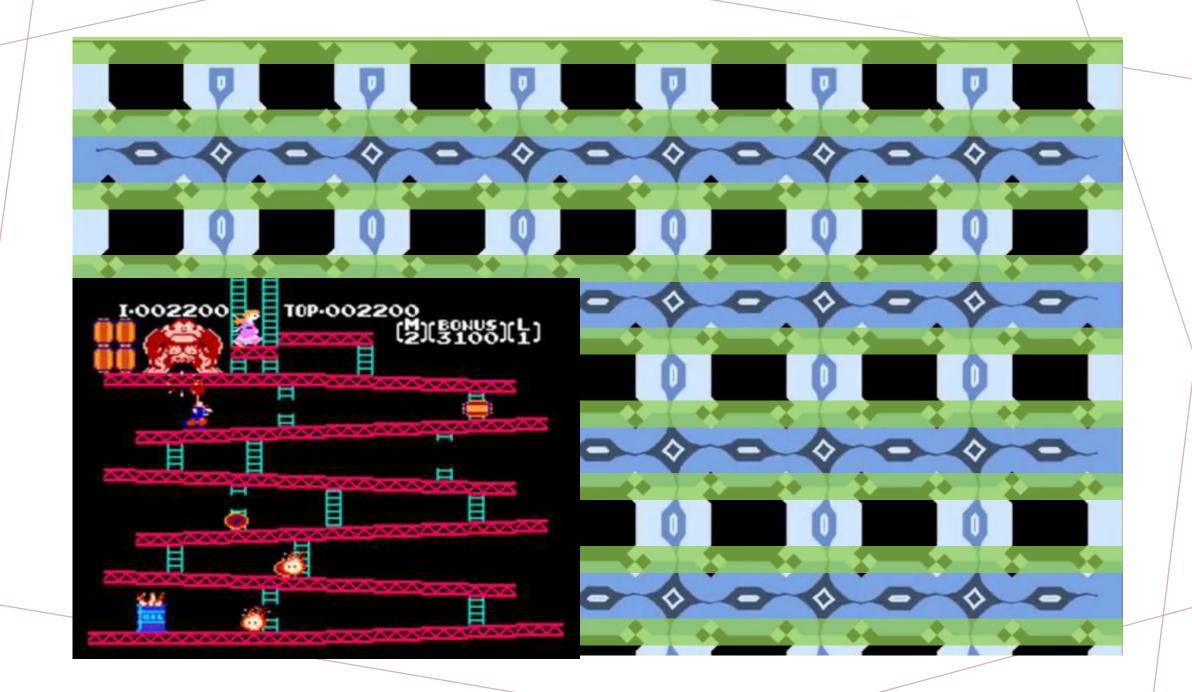




WHAT IS VALUE?

The cynic knows the <u>price</u> of everything and the <u>value</u> of nothing.

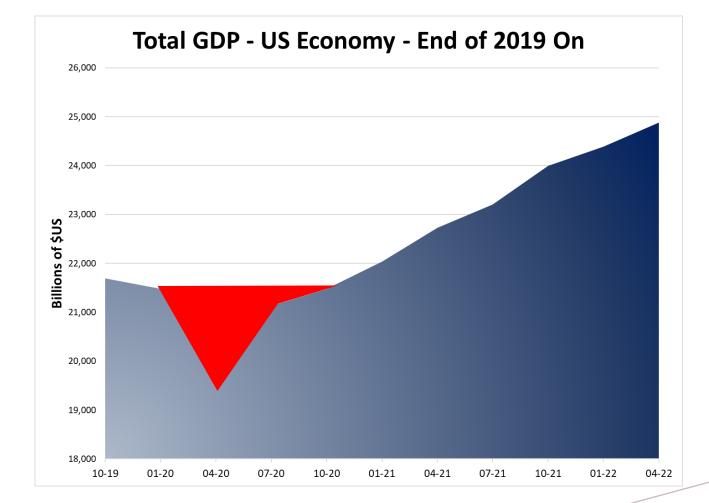
- Oscar Wilde



A Quick Recap

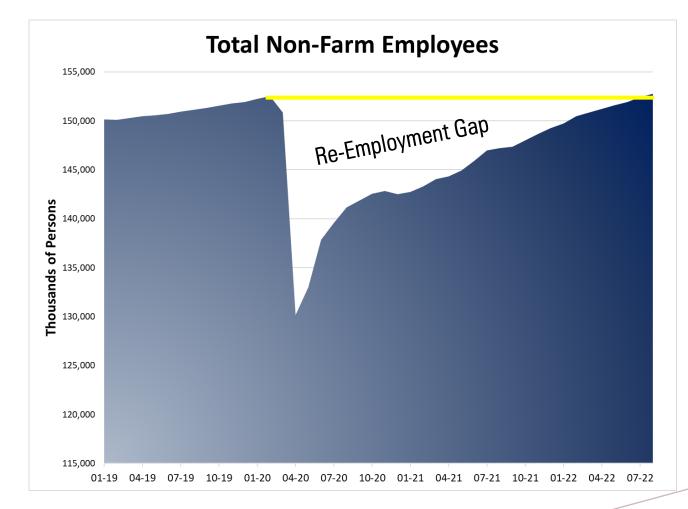
THE ECONOMY

GDP GROWTH

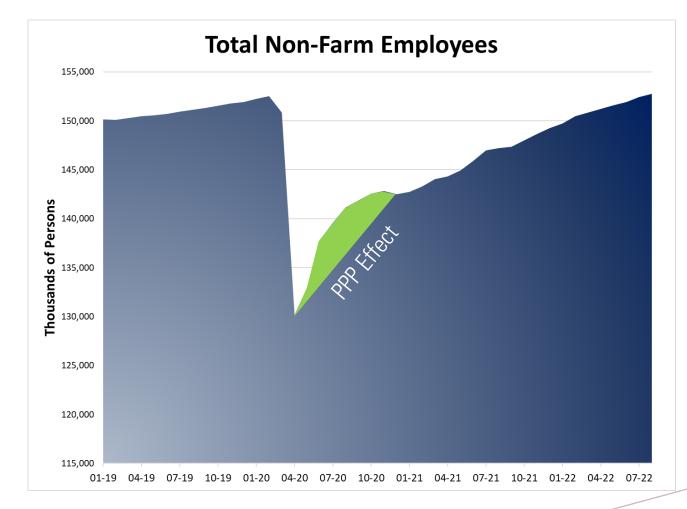


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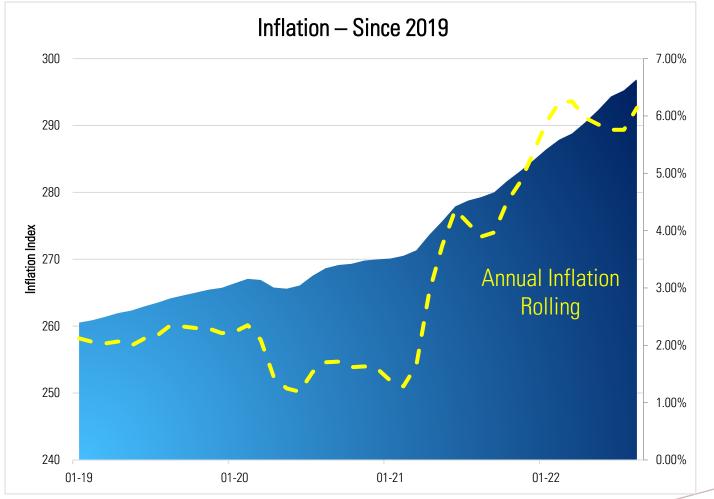
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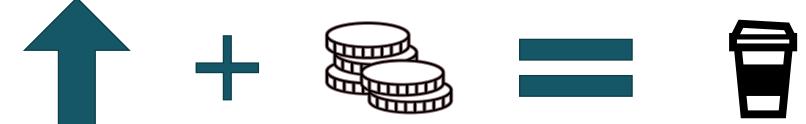
INFLATION



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SUMMARY

- Likely to enter mild recession soon, if not already
- Interest rate guidance likely to increase further
- Equity values will remain stagnant
- Absent shock, pull-backs are more likely than not to be "mild"

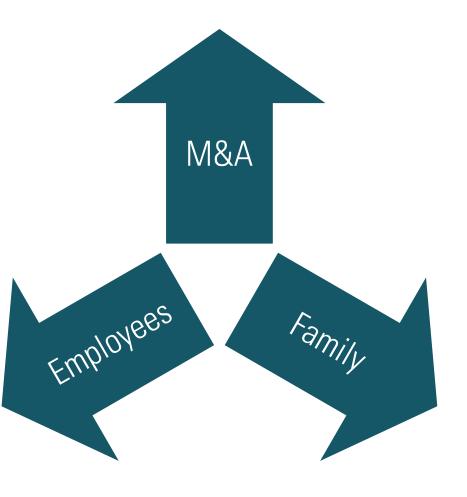


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VALUE IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER



ESTATE PLANNING

Goal: Minimize value?

Obstacle: Regulations

Stress: Regulations

Opportunity: Discounts



SUCCESSION PLAN

Goal: Fair deal

Obstacle: Capital

Stress: Hand off

Opportunity: Legacy





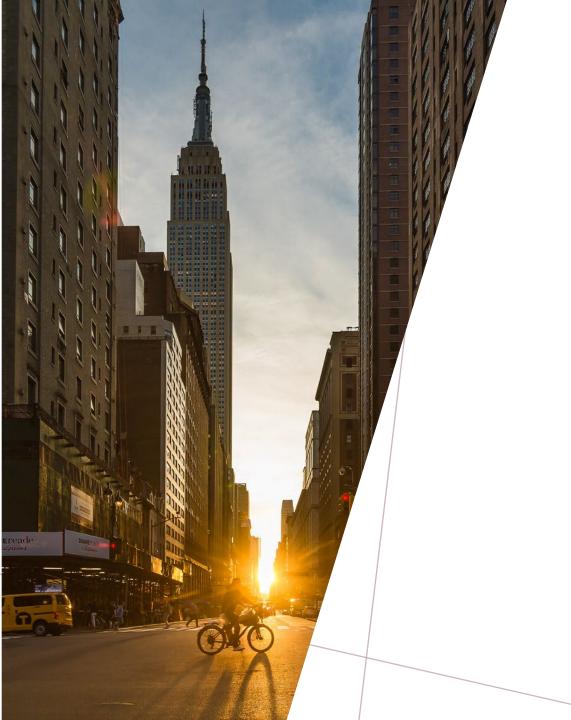
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Obstacle: The economy

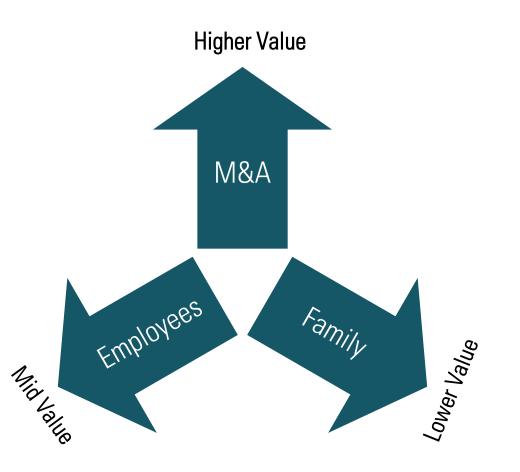
Stress: Financial data

Opportunity: Add-Backs





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ALL IN THE FAMILY

How to Pass On Your Business to Family

PREPARING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Start Today

	Con	nparison of Business Ass	et Taxation at Death			
	Toda	ay's Tax System		Potential Tax System		
Value of Business	\$	68,000,000		\$	68,000,000	
Ordinary Capital Gains		-			(200,000)	
AFP Capital Gains		-			(29,078,000)	
Estate Tax		(22,520,000)			(10,808,800)	
Total Taxes Owed		(22,520,000)			(40,086,800)	
Effective Rate		33.1%			<mark>59.0%</mark>	

PREPARING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Start Today

Up to \$12.7M in Credits for Gifts Available Today

If married, that's over \$25 million to plan with today that could be gone tomorrow.

Strategies for Estate Planning

Discounts

Lack of Control



A Plane You Share VS A Plane You Own

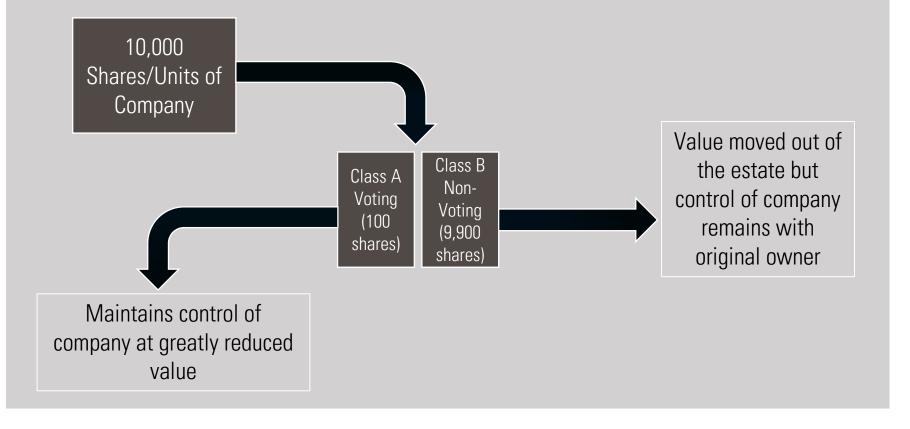
Lack of Marketability



A "\$40,000" Chevy Camaro VS A \$40,000 of GM Stock

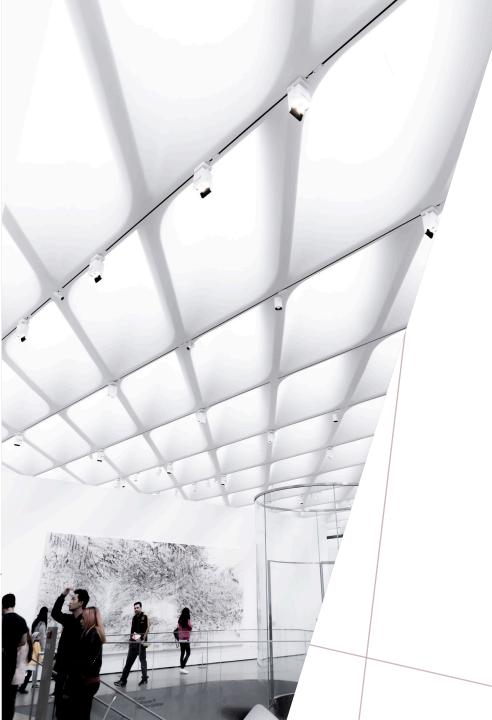
Strategies for Estate Planning

The Power of Share Classing









A FRIENDLY TAKEOVER

Strategies for Successful Succession by Employees



SUCCESSION PLANNING

When legacy is everything, continuity is key

Reasons for Employee Buyouts:

- Trust
- Legacy
- Familiarity
- It's Easier to Find a Buyer

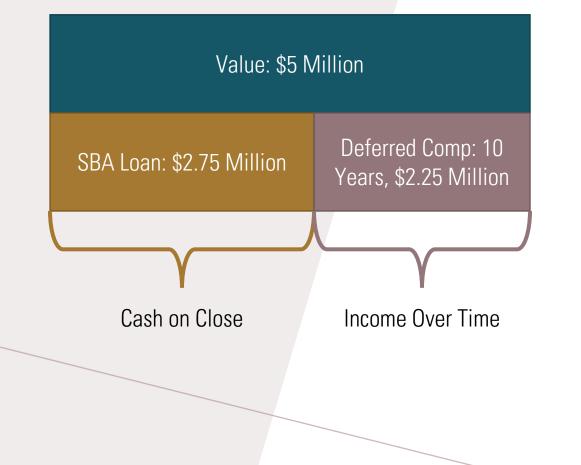
SUCCESSION PLANNING

Strategies to Finance Small Business

- Sweat
- Bank
- Deferred Comp
- Seller Note
- Retain Equity
- ESOP



DEFERRED COMP







WHO IS GOING TO BUY YOU OUT?

Perfect Manager

- Understands Culture
- Knows Client/Industry
- Knows Employees
- Values Legacy

<u>But...</u>

- Can She Afford Your Price?
- Can She Get Financing?
- Will the SBA Be An Option?



Sometimes the Perfect Fit Doesn't Work Out

SUCCESSION PLANNING

Strategies to Finance Larger Deals

- Bank Financing
 - Difficult?
- Mezz / PE Financing
 - Difficult?
 - Expensive
- ESOP
 - Liabilities
 - Cost

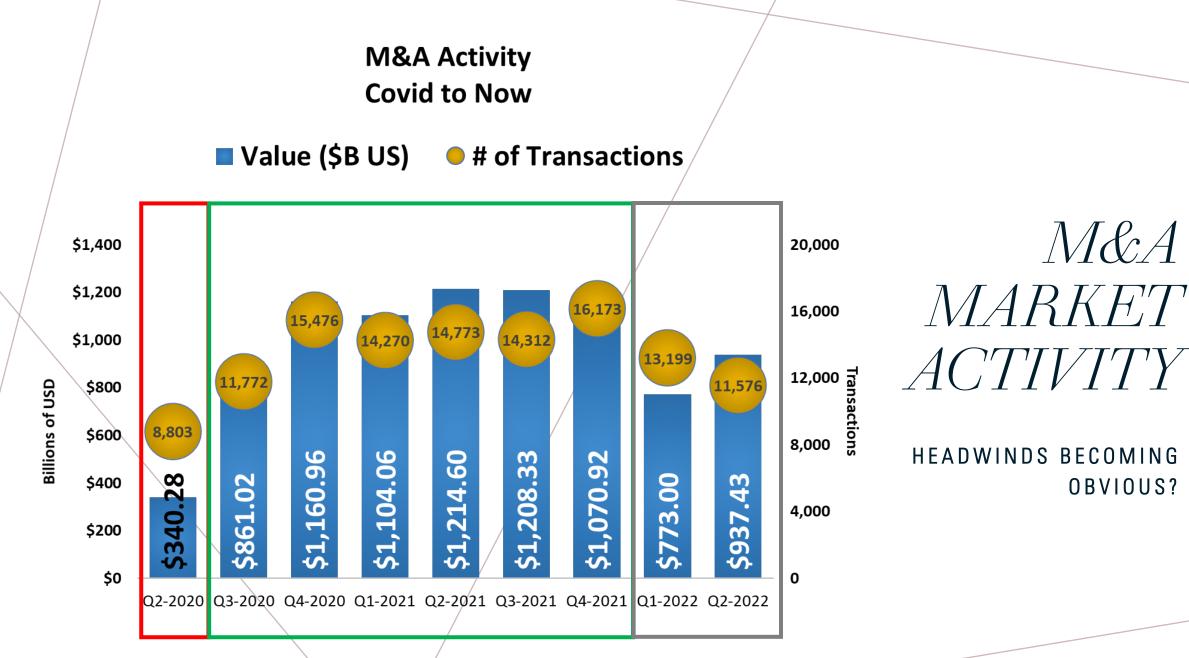
What do you do when succession doesn't succeed?





SELLING YOUR COMPANY

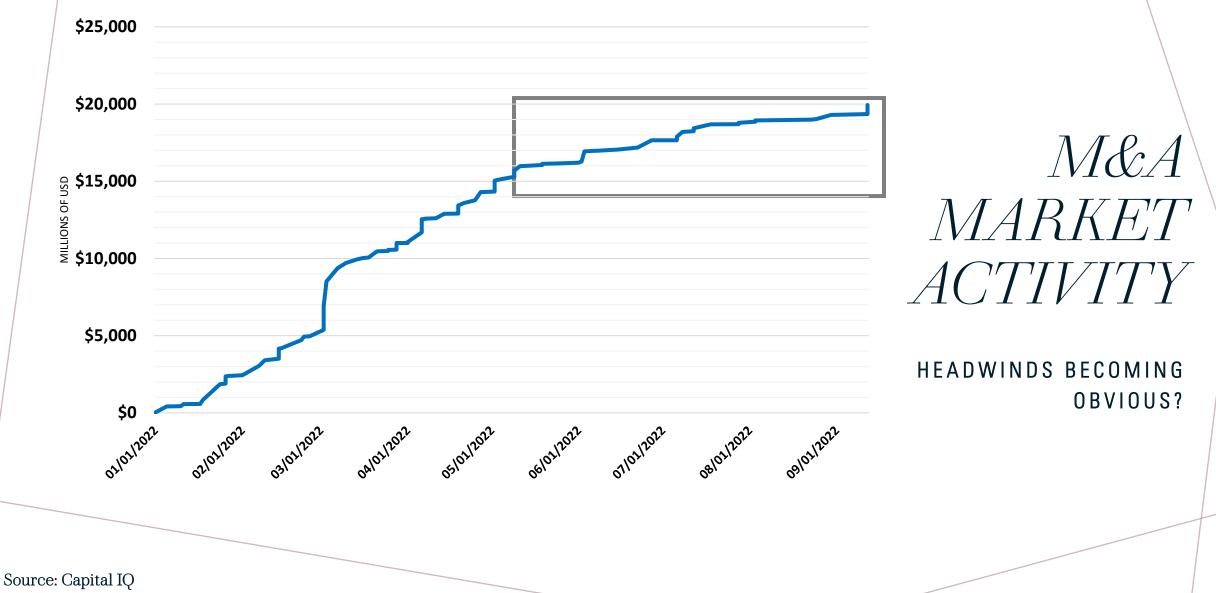
Things to Consider



Source: Capital IQ

Cumulative Value - Middle Market Transactions

2022



Primary Steps

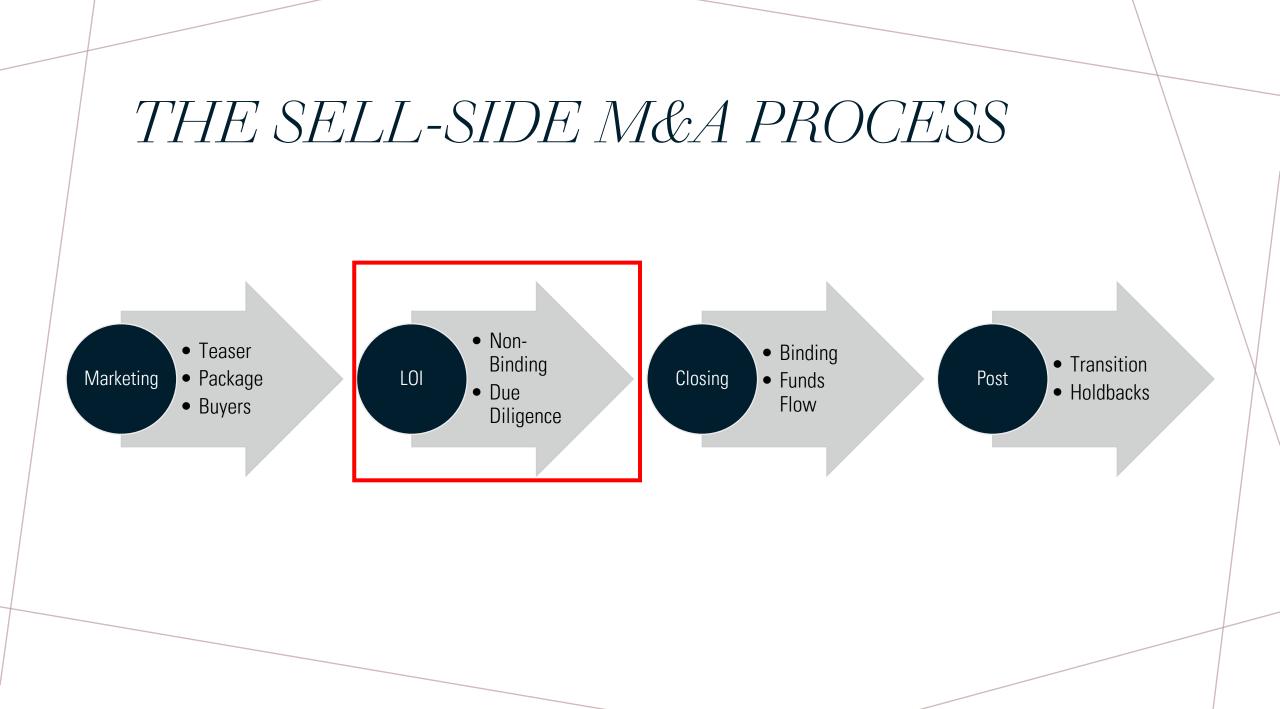
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LEHMAN BROTHERS LIVES ON

	LBF	"Modern" LB	Broker 1	Broker 2	T&M
Up to \$1,000,000	5%	10%	5%	12%	\$25,000 to \$150,000
Next \$1,000,000	4%	8%	5%	12%	
Next \$1,000,000	3%	6%	5%	12%	
Next \$1,000,000	2%	4%	5%	12%	
Above	1%	2%	5%	12%	

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- Let your sell-side advisor do the negotiation
 - Attorneys/Financial Advisors/Brokers can be the "bad guys"
- Understand your add-backs

Scenario 1		Scenario 2		Scenario 3	
Revenue COGS/SG&A	\$12,500,000 (11,950,000)	Revenue COGS/SG&A	\$12,500,000 (11,950,000)	Revenue COGS/SG&A	\$11,500,000 (10,994,000)
Operating Income	\$550,000	Operating Income	\$550,000	Operating Income	\$506,000
Depreciation	\$35,000	Depreciation	\$35,000	Depreciation	\$35,000
Interest	15,000	Interest	15,000	Interest	15,000
		Add Backs	300,000	Add Backs	300,000
EBITDA	\$600,000	EBITDA	\$900,000	EBITDA	\$856,000
6.0x Multiple	\$3,600,000	6.0x Multiple	\$5,400,000	6.0x Multiple	\$5,136,000

Every Dollar Your Find = \$4 to \$7 (or more) in your pocket

Add Backs

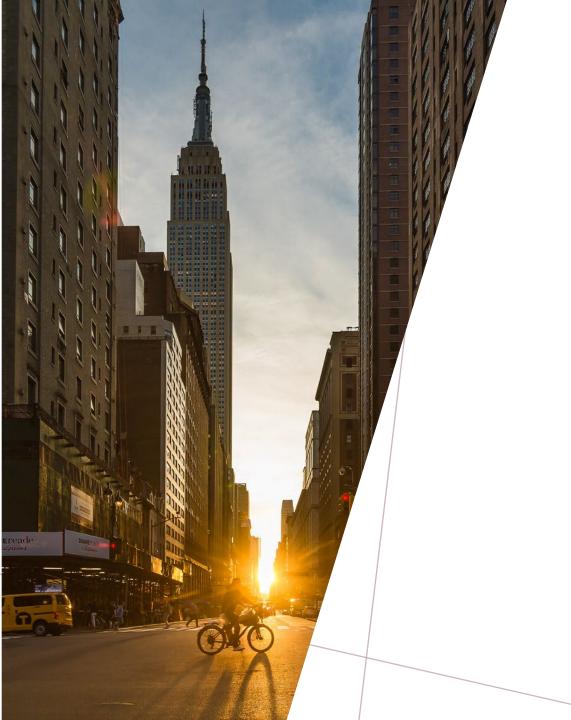
• Primary Add Backs

- Compensation
- Legal disputes
- One-time accounting fees
- New facility / move company
- Non FMV rents
- Repairs and Maintenance
- "Management Fees"
- Personal perquisites
- Charitable donations

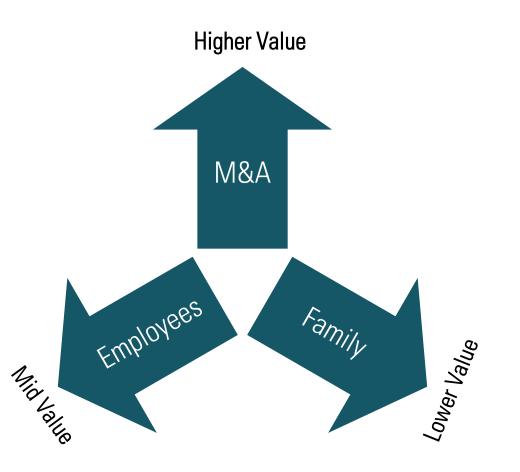
• Primary Negative Add Backs (Take Aways)

- Compensation
- Non-recurring revenue (along with expenses)
- Unrelated business activities

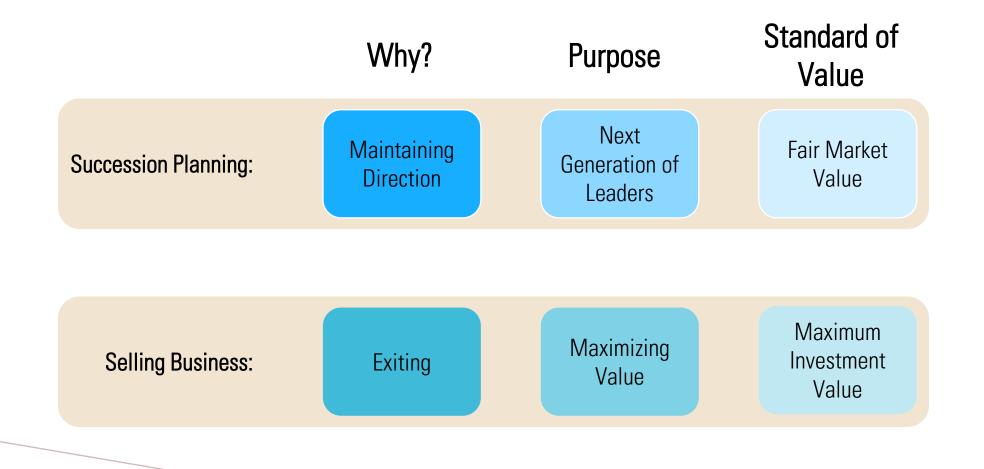




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INTERNALLY VS. EXTERNALLY

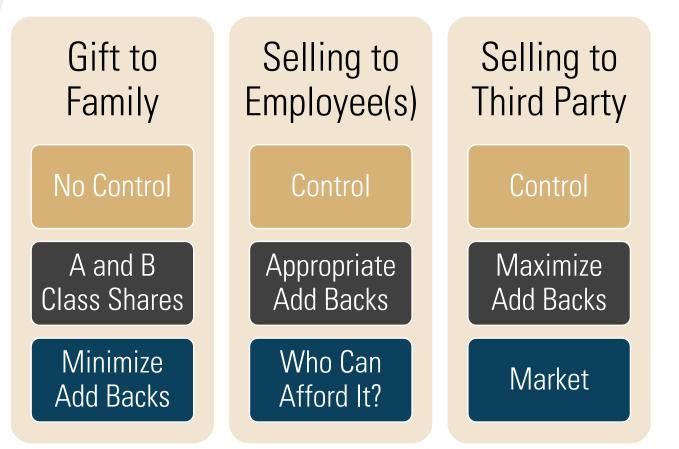


SUMMARY











WHAT IS VALUE?

It's not hard to make decisions once you know what your values are.

- Roy Disney



THANK YOU

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