THE MERGER & ACQUISITION

PROCESS

PLANNING	MATERIALS PREPARATION	MARKETING	NEGOTIATION & DUE DILIGENCE	CLOSING
Gather Information	Extensive Due Diligence	Develop Marketing Strategy	Evaluate Expressions of	Keep Backup Buyers
Understand objectives of owners and company Establish	Create a Persuasive Confidential Information Memorandum Create an Acquisition	Distribute Acquisition Opportunity Mailer "Teaser" Approach Potential Buyers and Coordinate Execution of Confidentiality Agreements	Interest Due Diligence on All Buyers Create Environment Producing Competitive	Engaged Facilitate Negotiations Between All Parties Support of Legal Document Drafting
valuation parameters	Opportunity Mailer "Teaser"	Distribute Confidential Information Memorandum	Pricing Achieve Concessions	Process Drive Schedule to
Market research	Prepare Confidentiality Agreement	Initial Follow-Up by Senior Level Professionals Subsequent Follow-Up with All Parties One Week Prior to Due Date of Initial Indications	Prior to Selecting Purchaser Negotiate the Letter of Intent/Definitive Agreement	Closing Close

