

Updating your Perpetuation Plan

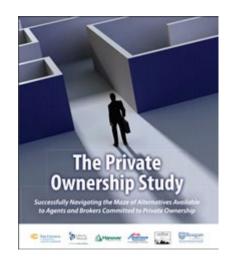
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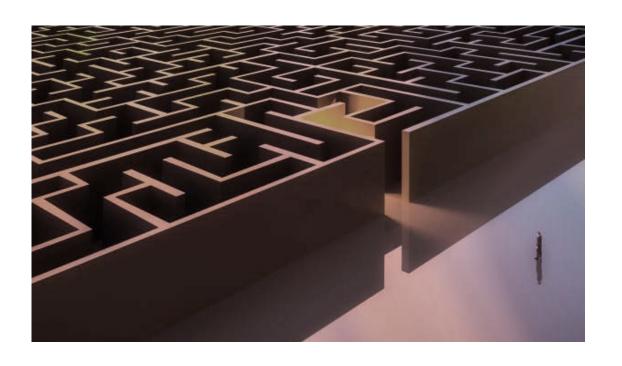




Private ownership is a different game

2010 2021













What has happened since 2010?

- Investment capital from a variety of sources has flooded into the industry
- A race for scale has been started
- Agent and broker performance has accelerated – even with the slight COVID-19 hiccup
- Tax laws have changed to be more favorable to brokers and their ownership groups
- Public equities markets have surged

Privately-held brokers must . . .

Perpetuate at substantially higher values

Fight to retain their highly-talented, next generation leaders as well-capitalized, larger players offer big dollars to

lure them away

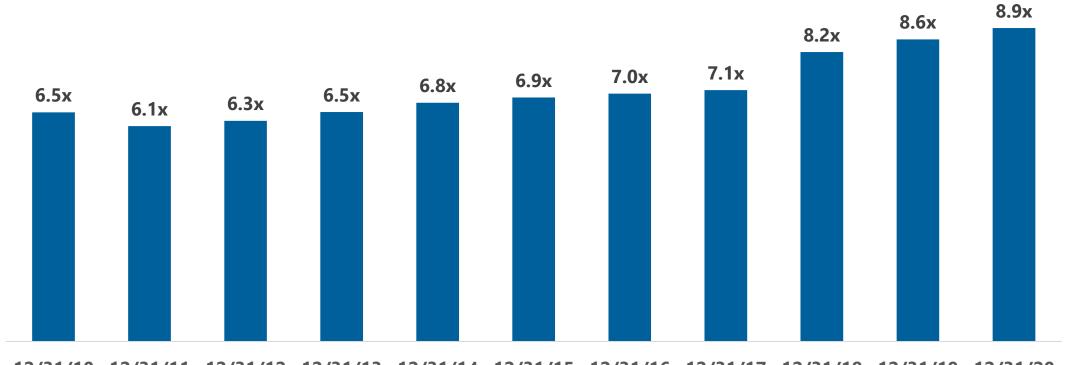






Internal valuations are significantly higher

Reagan Value Index EBITDA Multiple



12/31/10 12/31/11 12/31/12 12/31/13 12/31/14 12/31/15 12/31/16 12/31/17 12/31/18 12/31/19 12/31/20







Rising values impact ownership transfers

2010	
Value as Multiple of EBITDA	6.5 x
Down Payment	10.0%
Years Financed	8.0
Interest Rate	3.0%
Profits Distributed	80%
Pre-tax, First Year Buyer Coverage Ratio	101%
After-tax, First Year Buyer Coverage Ratio	60%

2021	
Value as Multiple of EBITDA	9.0 x
Down Payment	10.0%
Years Financed	8.0
Interest Rate	3.0%
Profits Distributed	80%
Pre-tax, First Year Buyer Coverage Ratio	73%
After-tax, First Year Buyer Coverage Ratio	46%





Solidifying the base model:

What needs to change to allow internal perpetuation to work at today's multiples?









Improving affordability



Increase agency profit margins



Secure or provide financing over longer time periods



Increase down payments on buyer notes



Reduce interest rates on agency or seller-financed notes



Hire more producers



Increase profit distribution percentages









The gold standard in cash flow



Cash flow in from buyers



Cash flow out to redeem sellers



- Do this QUICKLY
- Set up a bank loan program
- Bank loans directly to buyers who pay purchase price to agency up front

- Do this SLOWLY
- Seller-finance redemptions
- Extended financing terms

Maximize corporate cash flow to allow for pursuit of both growth initiatives and perpetuation









Other transfer mechanism boosters

Patch Bonuses

- · Bonuses rifled to buyers of shares
- Avoids need to increase distributions to all shareholders to increase cash available to buyers

Performance Stock Grants Stock grant programs where employees (typically producers) are granted stock when they reach certain performance thresholds

Note Forgiveness

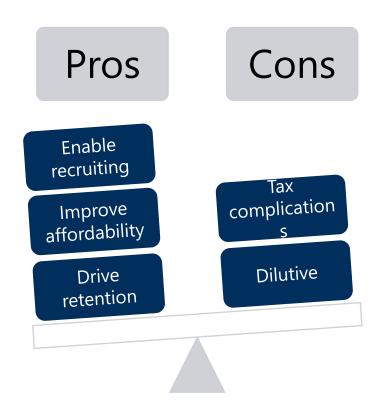
 Purchase debt forgiven based on achievement of certain performance thresholds

Phantom Stock

- Provides a deferred compensation benefit (typically to producers or senior management) based on the performance of the Company's equity
- Can have difficult tax consequences

Book Equity Programs

- Plans that reward all producers based on pre-established levels of production
- Can take the form of stock grants or deferred compensation







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