## Selling Your Business: Summary of the Process

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#### Regulation of Transfers of Licensed Cannabis Businesses

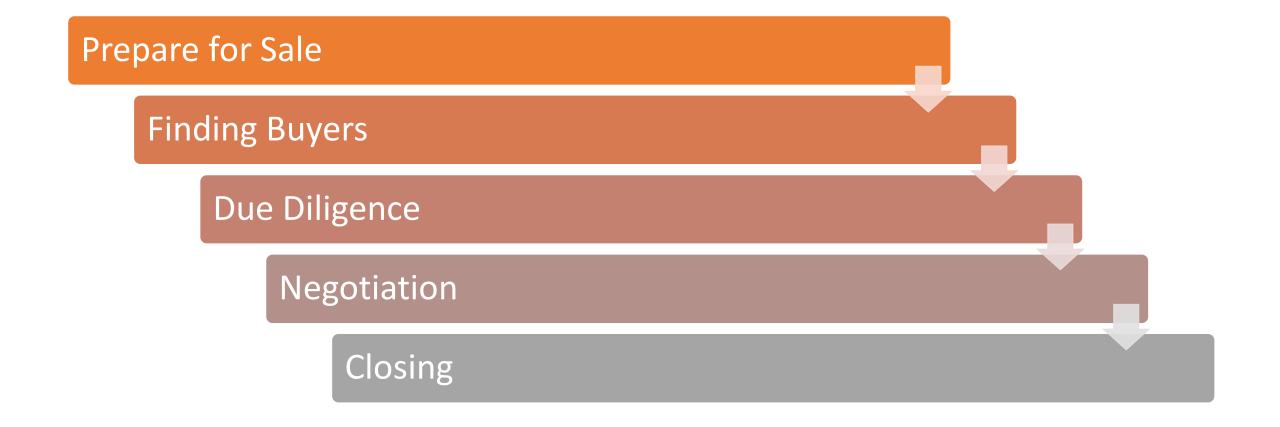
#### **Local Requirements**

- Submit updated "owner" pages from the original permit application
- Pay a "Change Fee"
- New Owner(s) complete live scan

#### **State Requirements**

- Submit <u>BCC-LIC-027</u> form to the DCC
- Transfer no more than 80% in a single transaction to preserve license continuity
- New Owner(s) file an owner submission and complete live scan

### Business Purchase Process



### Preparing for Sale



#### **Financial Preparation**

Organize all financial statements, tax returns, and other relevant financial documents for the past few years. Conduct a financial audit to ensure accuracy and transparency.



#### **Business Valuation**

Value the business in consideration of its assets, revenue, profits, market trends and future potential. [consider hiring a professional]



#### **Offering Documents**

Prepare a written offering with supporting documents (e.g., key legal documents).



#### **Tighten Up Operations**

Streamline operations; address any outstanding legal or compliance issues; document key processes and systems.

### Finding Your Buyer







HIRE A PROFESSIONAL

MARKET THE BUSINESS

**SCREEN BUYERS** 

#### Hire a Professional and Market the Business



#### **Business Brokers and Listing Sites**

**Cannabis Business Brokers** 

https://cannabis-brokers.com/

**Green Life Business** 

https://greenlifebusiness.com/

**Evergreen Brokers** 

https://evergreenbroker.com/

420 Property.com

https://www420property.com/

Screen Prospective Buyers





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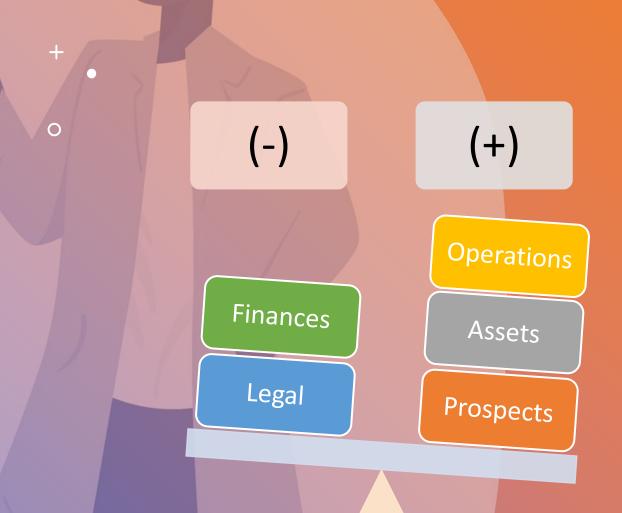
#### **Document Checklist:**

1. Signed Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)

[Download NDA Template]







# Expression of Intent

#### **Document the Intent**



Term Sheet



Letter of Intent (LOI)



Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

#### Include the following:

- Outline Purchase Terms
- Specify Timeline
- Specify Any Condition Precedent
- Provide for Exclusivity

### Due Diligence Review 🔽

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[Download Term Sheet Template]



### Negotiation





Sale Price

Payment Structure





Liabilities

Contingencies



Final Deal



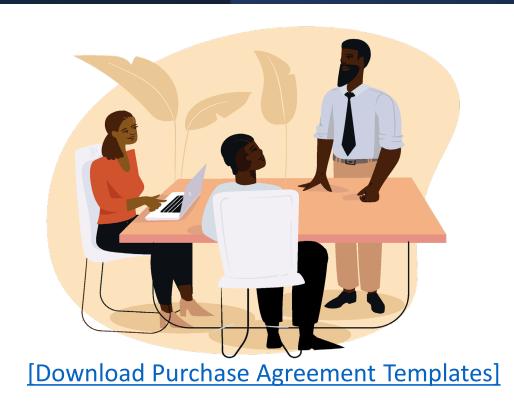
### Negotiating the Deal <



#### **Document Checklist**

**Share Purchase Agreement** (SPA) or Membership Interest Purchase Agreement (MIPA) Bill of Sale or Assignment Agreement

Requisite Consents [e.g., owners, board members, manager(s)]



### Closing

The process by which Buyer and Seller determine whether the deal is ready and able to conclude.



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**Buyer financing** finalized

Purchase money deposited to Escrow

All conditions satisfied or waived

Finalize sale contract and any accompanying documents





### Post-Sale Obligations

- Transition ownership
- Notify employees, operations, vendors, service providers, etc.
- Report to Local/State Licensing Authority
- Tax Reporting

Thank you for your attention.

