## "LOI"

Letter of Intent

A document containing a declaration of the intentions of the writer.

It is a document outlining the understanding between two or more parties which understanding they intend to formalize in a legally binding agreement.

## WHEN IS THIS USED?

- This option of an LOI is not used in residential RE but frequently makes an appearance in Commercial Transactions. WHY?
- Once we send out an idea to an interested client that wants to move forward, it starts!
- Not to be redundant but at this point we have or should have had an NDA signed by our own clients.
- Also at this point would have signed an NDA by the sellers agent.
- These two NDA's will be protections covering selling agent as well as protections covering you from your own Clients.
- These two items remove all insecurities and put both sides at ease to move forward with the "Lettter of Intent"
- It will help with your real estate insomnia!

"Who can prepare an LOI"?



A Real Estate agent can prepare.



If your clients have representation of a Real Estate Attorney. You may also suggest this and of course ask for the copy to keep for your files.



What is in an LOI?



Lets take a closer look at items to be included

## LOI includes the following items



Buyer Name & Seller Name



Property Address & Legal description



Lists of included and Excluded property



Purchase Price, Ernest Money Deposits & Financing



Closing Date, Broker Commissions and Party paying for it?



Any Special Clauses, Attachments



Buyer and Seller signatures.

## Disclaimer

You need to make sure that, "This is a non-binding agreement and not a legal contract". Include language that makes it clear the letter has no further effect if all parties don't sign a formal contract within 30 days. It is always a good rule of thumb to consult and attorney if you have doubts.