

## New Episode of Transaction Talk | Deal Challenges and How to Solve Them: Part 2

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Overcoming challenges is important, but what if you could prepare for them before they ever surface? In this conversation, Steven Hanson returns to share from his wealth of hard-earned experience and practical knowledge around transactions, deal challenges, and how to resolve them before they become deal-breakers. As Partner of the San Diego Transworld office, one of the top-performing offices in the network, Steven has been a business owner and broker for almost 12 years. Together, we dive into in-depth examples of what can happen once due diligence is complete, but a deal continues to drag on, and a buyer repeatedly pushes for additional concessions. Steven unpacks how to navigate these moments, manage expectations, and protect the integrity of the transaction. Along the way, we touch on key considerations around leases, asset sales versus stock sales, contractual nuances, and the often-overlooked power of simply knowing when and how to say no. This episode is a practical look at preparing for challenges in advance, so you can operate your business and approach transactions with more confidence and control.

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