SUCCESSION PLANNING: IS NOW THE TIME AND ARE YOU



HOW MUCH MONEY WILL I NEED TO

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How Much Money Will I Need To Retire?

When Should I Ask This Question?

- As early possible, AND
- BEFORE you sell your business!

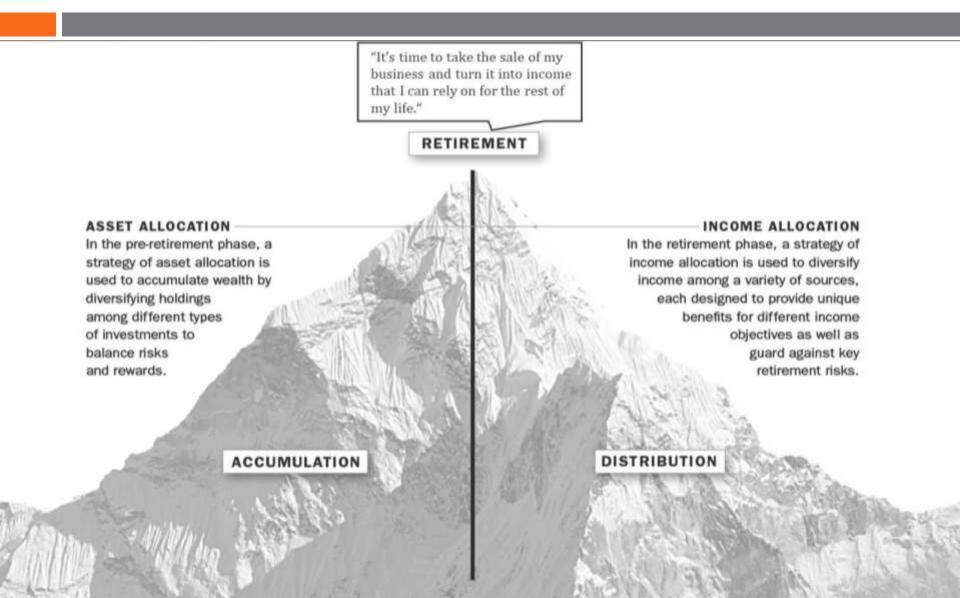
Lifestyle Expectations

- Choices and balance
- Separating "needs" from "wants"

More Needed in Early Retirement Years

- $_{\circ}$ Travel
- More active

The Great Transition

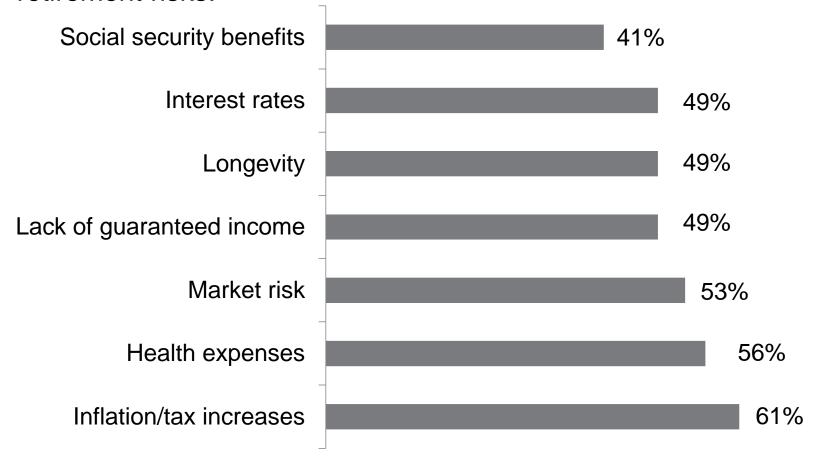


The 3 Core Planning Principles

- Transition from Asset Accumulation to Income Allocation: Effectively transition your retirement savings accumulation strategies to distribution strategies.
- Determine your Withdrawal Percentage: Determine the percentage of savings you can withdraw as income each year so it is sustainable throughout retirement.
- Address Risk: Ensure that your annual income streams are protected against key risks you will face during retirement.

Key Risks of Retirement

Percentage of consumers very or extremely anxious over specific retirement risks:



WILL MY MONEY LAST



As LONG as I DO?

Will My Money Last As Long As I Do?

Newborn Life Expectancy

- 1935 61 years
- Today 79 to 80 years

Life Expectancy at Age 65

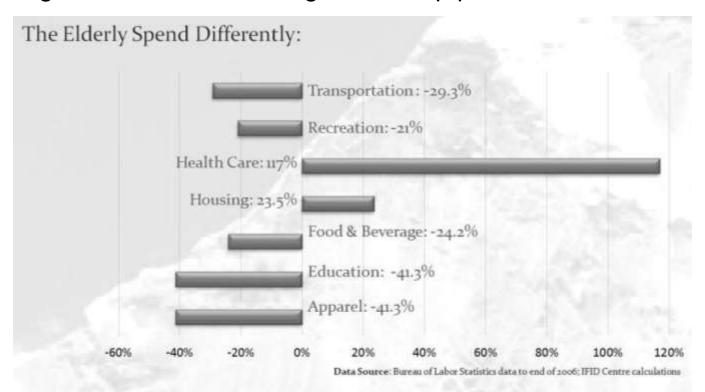
- Today 83 to 84 years
- Non-smoking couple age 65 today of average health and average family history of longevity –
 - 50% chance one will live to age 92
 - 30% chance one will live to age 96
 - ✓ 10% chance one will live to age 101

Market Risk | Equities – The Necessary Evil

- Equity exposure is typically needed to reach certain retirement objectives.
- Equities have historically been relied upon to be a powerful growth vehicle and inflation hedge.
- However, <u>Market Risk</u>, if not addressed, could wipe out your retirement portfolio <u>before</u> or <u>during</u> retirement.

Inflation Risk

Inflation has superseded health care risk as a top concern of both retirees and pre-retirees. 58% are very or somewhat concerned and 71%, up from 63% in 2007, express concern that the value of their savings and investments might not keep pace with inflation.



Liquidity Risk

- Change is the one constant we can count on.
- Even the best retirement income planning strategy is vulnerable if flexibility is not incorporated to address unexpected events.
- Retirement has witnessed many "poor" millionaires.

HOW DO I MINIMIZE MY RETIREMENT TAX



How Do I Minimize My Retirement Tax Bill?

- Have a financial plan
- Have an asset distribution plan
- Review it annually
- Have an advisor who understands the Tax Code or ensure that your Advisor and CPA communicate regularly
- Have your CPA manage tax brackets
 - Goal is to pay the least amount of tax over time, not necessarily in any given year
- Have an advisor who understands how taxation risk impacts the planning process
- Understand that the decisions we make today
 "eliminate" or "create" opportunities for mitigating taxes

THE TIME IS RIGHT FOR SELLERS



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Private Equity Market

- Over a trillion (1.0 trillion) dollars available for business acquisitions
- Expansion of number of private equity funds formed
- Significant competition has driven multiples

Growth & Strategic Buyers

- Corporate buyers had over \$1.6 trillion of cash on their balance sheets
- Low organic growth rates are driving buyers into the marketplace

Low Interest Rates & Alternative Debt Providers

- There are a number of debt capital providers providing alternatives to borrowers
- Lenders are active in looking for opportunities to lend money to quality buyers
- Rates are at historic lows

Price Paid or EBITDA Multiples Have Increased

- Significant shortage of high quality companies for sale
- Increased competition between financial and strategic buyers
- Seller needs based on investment redeployment

Short Term Prospects | Supply & Demand

- Over 10,000 people per day are reaching retirement age
- Business owners who missed the 1999 or 2006 selling windows have remerged
- In 5 to 7 years there may be more sellers than buyers in the marketplace



PREPARE YOUR BUSINESS FOR SALE



Prepare Your Business For Sale

- Build a Good Management Team
- Key Executives Should be Subject to Assignable Non-Compete Agreements
- Resolve Outstanding Liabilities & Contingencies Prior to Marketing Your Business
- Resolve Legal Issues Relating to Key Assets
- Develop Credible and Positive Financial Statements
- Determine Structure & Key Terms Before Negotiating with Buyers

DELAY SALE WHILE

BUILDING YOUR BUSINESS



Delay Sale While Building Your Business

- Retain Ownership and Delay Sale of Stock or Assets
 - Create Incentives for Professional Managers
 - Stock Appreciation Right Plans
 - ✓ Phantom Stock Plans
 - Deferred Compensation Arrangements

#1 SELLER OBJECTIVE

MAXIMIZE NET AFTER-TAX CASH



Maximize Net After-Tax Cash

- Cash is King the Sooner the Better
 - Maximize Cash at Closing
- Transaction Structure
 - Lots of Moving Parts
 - 3 Components Cash, Risk, Time
- Minimize Tax from Transaction

Understanding VALUE



Value = Historical EBITDA x Multiple

- Understand EBITDA, measure it and know it
 - Recurring Capital Expenditures? Measure Free Cash Flow
- Multiple
 - Varies by Industry
 - Varies by Size
 - Varies by Individual Characteristics
 - Products, Customers, Profits, Management Team, Systems

Buyers Value

- EBITDA
- Customer/Vendor/Product Diversification
- Strong Management Team
 - Most Valuable is Absentee-Owned
 - Who runs the Business Post-Closing?

Buyers Value: Future Cash Flow

- Revenue and Gross Profit
 - By Product or Service
 - By Customer
- Growth
 - By Product or Service
 - By Customer
- Information Systems Clean Financial Statements
 - No debt, Minimal Owner Perqs
 - Audited Statements
 - Reviewed Statements
- Process- and Policy-Driven Companies
 - Sales, Production, HR, Accounting, IT

Maximizing Value

- Sell on an Upswing of Profit and Revenue
- Sell When Economy is Strong Today
- Identify Value-Detractors and Address Financials,
 Systems, Management, etc.
- Minimize Historical Net Working Capital
- Proactively Manage Taxes
- Engage a Professional Investment Banker
 - Maintain Confidentiality

Maximizing Value (cont'd)

- Engage a Professional Investment Banker
- Understand Valuation and Transaction Structure NAT
- Create the Confidential Business Profile
- Conduct the Marketing Campaign Target Strategic and Financial Buyers
 - Multiple Buyers Compete
- Obtain Written Offers (LOI's)
 - Select Top Candidate Exclusivity
- Due Diligence
 - Quality of Earnings
 - Other Due Diligence Revenue, Product, HR, Physical Plant, Insurance, Real Estate, Regulatory, etc.
 - Legal Documents the Asset Purchase Agreement, et al.

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