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MULTIPLE OFFERS GUIDELINES FOR LICENSEES

When Taking the Listing

- **Explain** to the client that competing offers may be received.
- ❖ Discuss with the client options for handling multiple offers.
- ❖ The client decides how they want to handle multiple offers.
- Advise the client that they may wish to seek legal counsel if they do receive multiple offers.

Sellers Make the Decisions – Examples of Options

- ❖ Accept one offer in writing, and reject all other offers in writing.
- * Reject all offers in writing and encourage higher offers.
- Counter one offer, reject other offers in writing.
- ❖ Delay the decision waiting for another offer informing all parties. Educate the seller that with this option the buyers may withdraw their offer.
- ❖ Alert one or more buyers that they are in a competing offer situation and need to submit their best offer. Reject other offers.
- ❖ Alert all buyers that they are in a competing offer situation.
- ❖ Counter all offers in writing.

Agent Communication

❖ Agents should make reasonable efforts to keep cooperating licensees informed of the decision of the client's instructions.

Presenting Offers

The representative of the cooperating broker has the right to be present when the offer is presented unless the seller gives written instruction to the contrary.

Confidentiality

The cooperating licensee does not have the right to be present at any subsequent discussion or evaluation of the offer by the seller and the listing broker.

NRS 645.253: Each licensee shall not disclose, except to the real estate broker, confidential information relating to a client in violation of NRS 645.254.

NRS 645.254, paragraph 2: A licensee who has entered into a brokerage agreement to represent a client in a real estate transaction ... Shall not disclose confidential information relating to a client for 1 year after the revocation or termination of the brokerage agreement, unless he is required to do so pursuant to an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or he is given written permission to do so by the client.

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