## JOAN'S STRATEGY

TO BEAT COMPETING OFFER(S)

- 1. Ask the listing agent what they want to see in an acceptable offer.
- 2. Don't bug the listing agent by calling hourly.
- 3. Offer to pay cash and submit verification of funds.
- 4. Offer substantial earnest monies.
- 5. Make the earnest money non-refundable.
- 6. Shorten inspection periods.
- 7. Offer to buy the property "as is".
- 8. Waive the appraisal contingency.
- 9. Offer to pay any HOA transfer fees.
- 10. Waive any qualifying contingencies.
- 11. Use the listing agent's title company.
- 12. Don't ask the seller for any buyer closing costs.
- 13. Use an "escalation clause" that outbids other offers. Ask for a copy of the best offer.
- 14. Ask listing agent what other offers have been received & when they will be presented.
- 15. Be 25% more assertive than usual.