

## Sigourney of CPEX Real Estate: "Slow and steady wins the race"

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Which project, deal or transaction was the "game changer" in the advancement of your career?

The sale of 228-230 Court St. was a "game changer" as it exemplified CPEX's full service nature. Representing the sellers, owner operators winding down their business, we found a purchaser willing to structure an extended closing for us to identify properties for a 1031 exchange. The sellers ultimately achieved the optimal sales price to then purchased two triple net, credit tenanted retail properties; the buyer received two prime corner commercial properties with a national credit tenant found by our CPEX retail leasing team. This instilled in me the CPEX methodology - working together to achieve maximum results for our clients. In a business where individuality is a focus of most, I employ the philosophy that a team-based approach will yield the best outcome for me and my clients.

What advice would you give to those just starting out in the real estate business?

The best advice I would give to someone just starting out in the real estate business comes from the old adage, "slow and steady wins the race." It takes patience and a lot of hard work to succeed in real estate brokerage.

It is important to always be building a pipeline of business and never get too emotionally attached to any one deal. Those hoping to receive a large reward with little effort should reconsider entering this industry. The big commission checks are enticing, but what earns them are years of dedication and relationship building.

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