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## 2. Organic Growth

Many organizations look at acquisitions and see it as an unmitigated mess. It can be difficult to detangle all the minutia

f oor. Instead, the company may look for opportunities for organic growth in the market. This is not necessarily an easier path to success, but it does allow for a fresh start as opposed

acquisition. There are still questions that must be answered before moving forward with this approach:

- » Who will lead this endeavor?
- » Who are the current players in that market? What do you know about them? If you are entering a new market, how will you anticipate the competition's response?
- » If you are entering a new niche/sector, how will the current players react?
- » How will you measure success?
- » Is your operational model leverageable?

It all comes back to people. So many frms want to grow but they also don't make talent development, as it relates to growth, a priority. If your frm has ambitious growth plans over the next 5 to 10 years, what aspect of your strategic

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