

# Informed Insiders: The 2026 M&A Outlook

*Data-Driven Perspectives on the Current State of Middle Market M&A in Orange County and Beyond*

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