



or Main Line homebuyers and sellers who seek a truly personal approach, Realtor Jody Kotler offers something increasingly rare: undivided attention from start to finish. His philosophy isn't a marketing tactic; rather, it's a promise he lives by.

"My motto is, 'When you hire me, you hire me," says Kotler, who focuses almost exclusively on the Main Line. "What it comes down to is this: You hire me, you deal only with me. When you interview me to represent you, it's me who shows up, not a team member. When I go to a listing, it's the same thing. I alone work for you."

That level of commitment is backed by nearly two decades of experience and a track record of success across all price points. Whether representing a buyer or a seller, Kotler is present at every step, combining meticulous service with sharp negotiation skills. He is also deeply connected, leveraging a vast network to create opportunities others might miss.

"Most people who know me would describe me as 'in the know,' so I'm used to other agents calling me and asking me what's going on," he says. "I have a very large list of people in my contacts, so I can pick up the phone and call people to find the right person who may be interested in buying a particular house. I don't sit around and wait for something to happen; I *make* it happen. I will sell your house. There's no 'maybe' about it."

Kotler views strong professional relationships as a strategic edge. By treating fellow agents with respect and integrity, he believes everyone benefits—especially his clients.

"When you put a bid on a house, the chances of you getting that house for your client isn't great if the agent on the other side doesn't like you," he adds. "It's important to be a good human being purely on principle, but there's a business aspect to it, too."

Clients consistently point to that combination of professionalism, persistence, and local knowledge as the reason they trust Kotler. One such client, who asked to be identified only by his initials, A.F., describes Kotler as the "go-to Realtor" on the Main Line.

"Jody constantly has his finger on the pulse of the Main Line real estate environment, and his passion to work diligently, relentlessly, and aggressively for his clients is extremely apparent when you meet him—[he's] just in a different league and next level," says A.F., the president and CEO of a successful business enterprise. "Jody has a tremendous keen sense of awareness ... and is a networking genius with the ability to find the right deal for any buyer or seller."

Kotler's expertise is rooted in a lifetime spent on the Main Line. After moving to the area at age 14, he chose to stay in the community to receive his education, raise his children, and build his career. While he's a product of the Main Line's public school system, his children went to private school, so he has indepth knowledge of both options.

"I know what's going on in the market

before others do," he adds. "I know listings that are coming on the market even before they come on the market. I've gotten a lot of people telling me how great it was dealing with me, that I stayed on top of things for them, that when they've called me I called right back.

"People often tell me that I do so much more than what an average real estate agent would do," he continues. "I can help them find the right contractor. I can recommend the best restaurants. I know the local schools very well. Now, if you're dealing with an agent that has 50 or 60 listings at one time, how much time could they really be spending on you?"

As for the motto that has come to define his approach to serving clients, Kotler says it wasn't carefully crafted; it simply reflected how he went about his business, day in and day out.

"I was having a conversation with someone who was talking about real estate and big teams, and I said I didn't need a big team, that if you hire me, you hire me," he says. "That's how I do business. I don't play games; I'm here to get the job done."

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