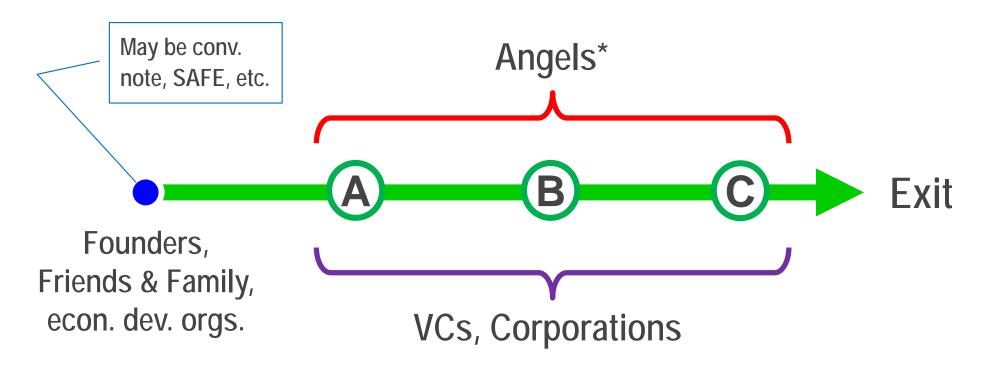
# Capitalization of Your Venture: Aligning Objectives & Concerns -- Angels

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### The Early Life of the Company – Financing Stages



\*"accredited investors" – i.e., net worth > \$1M (ex. house) OR > \$200K income



Financing – Angel as Customer

Needs	Return on investment; regional impact; personal interest in space/technology
Timing	Can make faster investment decision; closing likely to require aggregation of multiple small investments
Criteria	Belief



\$\$	all in on the first round
Invest. Horizon	open ended (i.e., no structural limits)
Diligence	more gut, fewer graphs
Deal Terms	OK by me (maybe a board seat)



\$\$\$\$	Contingent on individual member investment decisions; greater appreciation for "dry powder"
Invest. Horizon	open ended (i.e., investment entity not time-limited)
Diligence	organized diligence effort, dependent on domain experts within investor group
Deal Terms	Follow NVCA standard agreement forms (www.nvca.org) (and a board seat)





### Angel Investing – Equity Instrument

Convertible Note	no valuation; may be secured against assets; must be repaid or converted by Maturity Date; doesn't start holding period; limited rights
<b>SAFE</b> (Simple Agreement for Future Equity)	no valuation (may have valuation cap); no security interest; no repayment right (absent conversion); doesn't start cap. gains holding period; limited rights
Series A	valuation; preference in liquidation (behind follow-on equity issues); stockholder information, voting, preemptive rights

VALUATION – implications for angel participation in liquidation waterfall (as shaped by circumstances and totality of subsequent financings)



### **Angel Investing – Process**



<u>Expectations vs. Experience</u> – addressing assumptions from unrelated business experiences, investments; benchmarking



<u>Where's the Money</u> – beware "finders"; privateprivate offerings vs. public-private offerings (Rule 506b vs. 506c)



<u>Diligence</u> – less ad hoc, more disciplined; addressing lessons learned from older investments



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