





The Annual

RESTRUCTURING & TURNAROUND Intelligence Roundtable Forum

and

AWARDS GALA & DINNER CEREMONY Winners Celebrations

June 24, 2014. The Standard Club, Chicago, IL.

Global M&A Network congratulates all the winner - nominees of the prestigious Turnaround Atlas Awards for completing a wide-variety of transactions in a year full of uncertainties. For 2014, 382 transactions were scrutinized per strict - and accurate eligibility standards. Ultimately, only 36 unique transactions are selected as winners.

As in the past, there are total of 10 outstanding FIRM of the YEAR categories; **PLUS** two new categories to honor the creditor advisory achievements. As always, there are 10 categories of PROFESSIONAL of the YEAR, awards given to the top performers from the industry.

A TRADITION of EXCELLENCE: Over the past many years, the winners are selected independently based on identifiable performance criteria such as restructuring raison - style, pre/post workout, sustainability, operational/client/HR metrics, number of creditors, timeliness, jurisdiction; leadership; resourcefulness; among other criteria unique to the award category.

WINNERS AWARDS GALA CEREMONY: Winners are officially honored at the awards gala ceremony held following the roundtable forum meeting held prior to the gala. Winner - Nominee representatives **must attend** the awards gala to be honored by accepting their trophy.

WHAT to DO if you are among the TOP WINNER FINALISTS?

If you submitted nominations, please confirm your guest registrations for the annual Awards Gala Dinner. If you did not enter nominations, you can still share in the win by confirming your guest registrations and accept the coveted winner's trophy!

TOP 100: Global Restructuring and Turnaround Professionals

1st announced at the roundtable forum.

ACQUIRE the Coveted Gold Star: Professionals and firm representatives attending the Roundtable and Awards Gala, acquire the coveted gold star designation on their on-line listing. Please note, the Top 100 is an editorial list is unrelated to the awards gala.

General Enquiries to Participate at the Roundtable, and Confirm Attendance, contact: Raj Kashyap, managing partner at: T: 914.886.3085 E: raj@globalmanetwork.com

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OUTSTANDING FIRM AWARDS

Winners announced at the awards gala. Firm representative are able to accept the accolade on behalf of the organization.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Atlas Holdings Marlin Equity OpenGate Capital

KPS Capital Partners Prophet Equity Resilience Capital Partners

GLOBAL TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: AlixPartners FTI Consulting Mesirow Financial Consulting

Alvarez & Marsal McKinsey Recovery & Transformation Services Group Zolfo Cooper

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Blackstone Advisors Lazard Moelis & Company

Houlihan Lokey Capital Jefferies & Company Rothschild

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Davis, Polk & Wardwell Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

Kirkland & Ellis Morrison Foerster Weil, Gotshal & Manges

MID-MARKETS TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees:

Conway MacKenzie Focus Management Group GlassRatner Group Deloitte CRG Goldin Associates Huron Consulting

MID-MARKETS RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Carl Marks Advisory Group Imperial Capital Livingstone Partners

Duff & Phelps Grant Thornton Advisors SSG Capital Advisors

MID-MARKETS RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: DLA Piper Greenberg Traurig Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones

Foley & Lardner Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

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- PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND TEAM of the Year
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- TURNAROUND CONSULTANT | GLOBAL of the Year
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BOUTIQUE TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Carl Marks Advisory Executive Sounding Board Associates Mackinac Partners

Development Specialists Gavin/Solmonese MorrisAnderson

BOUTIQUE RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees:

Amherst Partners Gordian Group SSG Capital Advisors

Jefferies & Company

BDO Capital Advisors Ravina Capital Variant Capital Advisors

CREDITORS RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Blackstone Advisory Partners Houlihan Lokey Capital

Duff & Phelps The Gordian Group Mesirow Financial

CREDITORS RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR

Distinguished Nominees: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle. Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel

Brown Rudnick Greenberg Traurig White & Case

CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS FIRM of the YEAR

Abernathy MacGregor Group Joele Frank, Wilkinson Brimmer Katcher Sitrick and Company FTI Strategic Communications Kekst and Company

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RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value above a \$1 billion, in or out of court.)

WINNER: AMR Corp (American Airlines) Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to US Airways. AMR debtor advisors: Rothschild; McKinsey; Weil, Gotshal & Manges; Debevoise & Plimpton. Creditors, transaction advisors, others: Barclays; Millstein & Co; Latham & Watkins; O'Melveny & Myers; Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft; Dechert; Moelis & Co; Mesirow Financial; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom; Togut, Segal & Segal; Jenner & Block; Dentons.

RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value in the range above \$250 million to less than \$1 billion, in or out of court.)

WINNER: AMF Bowling Worldwide Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and merger with Strike Holdings. AMF debtor advisors: Moelis & Co; McKinsey & Co; Kirkland & Ellis; McGuireWoods. Creditors, transaction advisors, others: Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones; Christian & Bartons; King & Spalding; O Melveny & Myers; Stroock & Stroock & Lavan.

RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | SMALL MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value in the range of \$50 to \$250 million, in or out of court.)

WINNER: Journal Register Company Chapter 11 Reorganization sale to affiliate of Alden Global Capital. Journal debtor advisors: SSG Capital Advisors; Ocean Ridge Capital Advisors; Grant Thornton; Morgan Lewis Bockius; Young Conway Stargatt & Taylor. Creditors, transaction advisors, others: FTI Consulting; Akin Gump Strauss, Hauer & Feld; Otterbourgh, Steindler, Houston & Rosen; Marvin & Marvin; Lowenstein Sandler.

RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | SMALL MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value in the range of \$50 to \$250 million, in or out of court.)

WINNER: Sale of Employment Plus to EmployBridge.

Transactional advisors: Ravinia Capital; NewPoint Advisors; Venturespring Partners; Grant Thornton; Bryan Cave.

CROSS BORDER RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

(Qualified as restructuring, in or out of court, across national boundaries.)

WINNER: Central European Distribution Pre-packaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CEDC debtor advisors: Houlihan Lokey Capital; Alvarez & Marsal; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom. Creditors, transaction advisors, others: Blackstone Advisory, Latham & Watkins; Brown Rudnick, Cadwalder, Wickersham & Taft, Duff & Phelps; Moelis & Co, White & Case.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as private equity investment in distressed assets, value above \$250 million.)

WINNER: Apollo Global Management and Metropoulos & Co acquisition of certain assets including Twinkies, Mini Muffins, Cup Cakes, Ho Hos, Zingers and Suzy Q brands from Hostess Brands under Chapter 11 of U.S Bankruptcy Code.

Hostess debtor advisors: Perella Weinberg Partners; FTI Consulting, Jones Day.

Creditors, transaction advisors, others: Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel; Gordian Group; Morgan, Lewis & Bockius; Paul Weiss; O'Melveny & Myers; Cravath Swaine & Moore; Debevoise & Plimpton.

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PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as private equity investment in distressed assets, value below \$250 million.)

WINNER: Prophet Equity acquisition of Keywell Metals.

Keywell debtor advisors: Eureka Capital Advisors; Adelman & Gettleman; Patzik, Frank & Samotney; Barnes & Thornburg. Transaction advisors: Haynes & Boone; Conway Mackenzie; MacDonald Hopkins.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value above a \$1 billion, in or out of court.)

WINNER: Eastman Kodak Company, Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Kodak debtor advisors: AlixPartners; Lazard; Sullivan & Cromwell; PwC; Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor. Creditors and other advisors: Jefferies; Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld; Togut, Segal & Segal; Brown Rudnick; Arent Fox; Hogan Lovells; Davis, Polk & Wardwell; Dentons.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value below \$1 billion, in or out of court.)

WINNER: Career Education Corporation restructuring. CEC advisors: Alix Partners.

COMMUNITY REVIVAL DEAL of the YEAR

WINNER: Veritas Steel, owned by Atlas Holdings acquisition of PDM Bridge. Transaction advisors: Willkie Farr & Gallagher, Kaye Scholer.

OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS (*Qualified as restructuring value above \$750 million.*)

WINNER: Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, owner of Foxwoods Resort Casino®, restructuring. MPTN debtor advisors: Miller Buckfire, a Stifel Company; Weil, Gotshal & Manges.

Creditors and other advisors: Blackstone Advisory; GLC Advisors; Capstone Advisory Group; Cleary Gotlieb Steen & Hamilton; Davis Polk & Wardwell; Bingham McCutchen; Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld; Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky & Popeo; Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton.

OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value below \$750 million.)

WINNER: City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Debt restructuring. Harrisburg advisors: McKenna Long & Aldridge; Public Resources Advisory Group.

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as restructuring value above \$750 million.)

WINNER: Dex Media and SuperMedia Pre-packaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganizations and merger. Debtor and transaction advisors: Houlihan Lokey Capital; Kirkland & Ellis; Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton; Morgan Stanley; Norton Rose Fulbright; Chilmark Partners.

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PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | MIDDLE MARKETS (*Oualified as restructuring value below* \$750 *million.*)

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WINNER: Education Holdings Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization. Education holdings debtor advisors: Alvarez & Marsal; DLA Piper. Creditors and other advisors: Goodwin Procter; Katten, Muchin Rosenman.

CHAPTER 11 REORGANIZATION of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as judicial restructuring value above \$1 billion.)

WINNER: Patriot Coal Corporation Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Patriot Coal debtor advisors: AlixPartners, Blackstone Advisory; Davis, Polk & Wardwell; Bryan Cave. Creditors and other advisors: Houlihan Lokey Capital, Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel; Brown Rudnick; Carmody Macdonald; Jones Day; Andrews Kurth; Weil, Gotshal & Manges; Willkie, Farr & Gallagher.

CHAPTER 11 REORGANIZATION DEAL of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as judicial restructuring value above \$250 million and below \$1 billion.)

WINNER: Ahern Rentals Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Ahern debtor advisors: The Seaport Group; Oppenheimer & Co; Stoel Rives; Gordon Silver. Creditors and other advisors: FTI Consulting; Houlihan Lokey Capital; GLC Advisors; Bracewell & Giuliani; DLA Piper; Fennemore Craig Jones Vargas; Kaye Scholer; Willkie, Farr & Gallagher.

CHAPTER 11 REORGANIZATION DEAL of the YEAR | SMALL MID MARKETS

(Qualified as judicial restructuring value below \$250 million.)

WINNER: Empire Die Casting Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to SRS International. Empire Die debtor advisors: Amherst Partners, Brouse McDowell. Others: Freeborn & Partners.

FINANCING DEAL of the YEAR

WINNER: Murry's Family of Fine Foods, Re-financing and Recapitalization. Advisors: Executive Sounding Board Associates; Alostar Bank; Shulman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy & Ecker.

CROSS BORDER DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS (*Qualified as distressed M&A deal value above \$ billion, across national boundaries.*)

WINNER: Elpida Memory Chapter 15 Plan of Reorganization and sale to Micron Technology.

Elpida debtor advisors: Crosspoint Advisors; Davis Polk & Wardwell; Richards Layton & Finger; Morrison & Foerester; Kobayashi & Associates Law; Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners, Ogawamachi Sogo Law Office. Transaction advisors: Goldman Sachs; Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati; Mori Hamada & Matsumoto.

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CROSS BORDER SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS (*Qualified as distressed M&A deal value below \$250 million, across national boundaries.*)

WINNER: AgFeed Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale of assets to Ningbo Tech Bank, TriOak Foods, and Smithfield/Murphy.

AgFeed debtor advisors: Mackinac Partners; Business Development Asia; Sugar Felsenthal Grais & Hammer; Elliott Greenleaf; Young, Conaway, Stargatt & Taylor.

Creditors and transaction advisors: Gavin/Solmonese, CohnReznick; Greenberg Traurig, Lowenstein Sandler; Foley & Lardner.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

(Qualified as distressed M&A deal value above \$750 million.)

WINNER: Residential Capital Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale of assets to Ocwen Loan Servicing and Berkshire Hathaway

ResCap and Ally advisors: Centerview Partners; FTI Consulting; Goldin Associates; Morrison & Foerster; Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle; Stroock & Stroock & Lavan; Morrison Cohen; Kirkland & Ellis; Evercore Partners. Creditors and other advisors: Moelis & Co; Mesirow Financial; AlixPartners; Kramer Levin Naftallis & Frankel; Shearman & Sterling; Chadbourne & Parke.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

(Qualified as distressed M&A deal value above \$250 and below \$750 million.)

WINNER: Synagro Technologies sale to EQT Infrastructure.

Synagro debtor advisors: Evercore Partners; AlixPartners; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. Creditors and others: Brown Rudnick; Shearman & Sterling; RBC Capital; Weil Gotshal & Manges

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR | SMALL MID MARKETS (Qualified as distressed M&A deal value above \$100 to below \$250 million.)

WINNER: TLO Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale of assets to TransUnion Acquisition Corp. TLO debtor and transaction advisors: Farlie Turner; Marcum; Furr & Cohen; Akerman Senterfitt. Creditors and others: GlassRatner Advisory; Genovese Joblove & Battista; Fowler, White & Boggs.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR SMALL MARKETS

(Qualified as distressed M&A deal value below \$100 million.)

WINNER: MCG Limited Partnership (Monitor Company) 363 sale to Deloitte Consulting. MCG debtor advisors: Carl Marks Advisory Group; Ropes & Gray; Pepper Hamilton. Creditors and others: Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard.

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CONSUMER GOODS TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Orchard Supply Hardware Stores Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to Lowes. Orchard debtor advisors: Moelis & Co; FTI Consulting; DLA Piper.

Creditors and transaction advisors: Zolfo Cooper; Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones; Greenberg Traurig; Dechert; Goldman Sachs; Hunton & Williams.

ENERGY & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: ATP Oil & Gas Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale of assets to Bennu Oil & Gas. ATP debtor: Jefferies; Opportune; Mayer Brown.

Creditors and transaction advisors: Gordian Group; Houlihan Lokey; Haynes & Boone; Bingham McCutchen; Cravath, Swaine & Moore; Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy; Winstead.

FINANCIAL SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Anchor BanCorp Wisconsin Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and capitalization by Z Capital Partners and investors.

Anchor debtor advisors: Cohn Reznick; Kerkman, Dunn, Sweet, DeMarb; Skadden, Arps. Creditors and transaction advisors: Sandler O'Neill; Katten Muchin Rosenman; Davis Polk, & Wardwell.

FOOD & BEVERAGE TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Natural Pork Production Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale of assets to AMVC Management Services and the Handlos Family

Transaction advisors: Variant Capital Advisors; Conway MacKenzie; Bradshaw Fowler, Proctor & Fairgrave; Davis Brown Law; Sugar Felsenthal Grais & Hammer.

HEALTHCARE SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Rural/Metro Corporation Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Rural debtor advisors: Lazard; Alvarez & Marsal; FTI Consulting; Willkie Farr & Gallagher; Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor.

Creditors and transaction advisors: Brown Ruddnick; Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton; Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle.

INDUSTRIAL TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Elyria Foundry out of court restructuring.

Advisors: Silverhawk Capital Partners; Gordian Group; Western Reserve; Finn Dixon & Herling; Taft Stettinius & Hollister.

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MATERIALS & RESOURCES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Sino-Forest restructuring under Chapter 15 of U.S Bankruptcy code and Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act of Canada. (Emerald Forest Plantation Holdings).

Sino-Forest debtor advisors: Moelis & Co; FTI Consulting; Milbank Tweed Hadley & McCloy; Bennett Jones; Linklaters; King Wood & Malleson; Appleby; Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt. Creditors and others: Ernst & Young; Baker McKenzie; Goodmans.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Restructuring of FriendFinder Networks.

FriendFinder debtor advisors: SSG Capital Advisors; Greenberg Traurig; Akerman. Creditors and others: Jones Day; Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: IPC International Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to Universal Protection Service. IPC debtor advisors: Livingstone; Silverman Consulting; Proskauer Rose; Potter Anderson & Corroon; Lathrop & Gage. Creditors and others: GlassRatner; Pachulski, Stang, Ziehl & Jones; Katten Muchin Rosenman.

REAL ESTATE & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: The PMI Group Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

PMI debtor advisors: Goldin Associates, Sullivan & Cromwell; Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor. Creditors and others: Peter J. Solomon Co; Morrison & Foerster; Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice.

TELECOM & TECHNOLOGY TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Maxcom Telecomunicaciones Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization. Maxcom debtor advisors: Lazard, Alfaro, Davila y Rios; Kirkland & Ellis; Santamarina y Steta. Creditors and others: Cleary Gottlieb; Cervantes Sainz; VACE Partners; Paul Hastings; Jones Day.

TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Pinnacle Airlines Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and integration with Delta Airlines. Pinnacle debtor advisors: Barclays Capital; Seabury Group; Davis Polk & Wardwell; Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

Creditors and others: Imperial Capital; Kirkland & Ellis; Vedder Price; Jenner & Block; Haynes & Boone.

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