



TURNAROUND ATLAS AWARDS

7TH ANNUAL



CONGRATULATIONS
to all the
2015 WINNERS!

June 25, 2015, Chicago: Global M&A Network, honored the winners the 7th ANNUAL TURNAROUND ATLAS AWARDS in forty-seven “Transactions”, six “Turnaround and Restructuring Professionals”, eleven “Outstanding Firms” and six “Leadership Achievement” award recipients of the year, categories. The world’s most prestigious awards gala celebrations were held at the Field Museum, Chicago, on the evening of June 23, 2015.

“Turnaround Atlas Awards is an opportunity to honor the hard-work by the restructuring communities, having revitalized companies and rescued other companies in part or whole through asset sales. Winners should take pride for effecting successful restructurings, demonstrating their creativity, patience and professional talents.” said, Shanta Kumari, CEO and Global Group Editor, Global M&A Network.

Mr. Stephen Harbeck, President and CEO of Securities Investor Corporation was the recipient of “Leadership Achievement” accolade, along with Kevyn Orr, Partner, Jones Day, for his role as the Emergency Manager, City of Detroit. Mr. Ken Buckfire, President, Managing Director and Co-founder, Miller Buckfire, a Stifel Company and Mr. Van Conway, President, CEO and Senior Managing Director of Conway Mackenzie, were awarded the “Leadership Achievement” awards for their long-standing industry contributions and numerous successes in restructuring companies over the years.

Mr. John Hatherly, Managing Partner and Founder of Wynnchurch Capital, was awarded the “Private Equity, Leadership Achievement” accolade; and Mr. Sloan Gaon, CEO of PulsePoint, received the “Corporate Growth & Turnaround Leadership Achievement” award.

Outstanding firm award winner’s included - Aterian Investment Partners, for “*Private Equity*” firm; and Z Capital Partners, in a close competition won the “*Distressed Debt Investor*” award. FTI Consulting won the coveted, “*Global Turnaround Consulting Firm*”, Blackstone Advisory, took home the “*Global Restructuring Investment Bank*” winner’s trophy for the third time, and Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, won the “*Global Restructuring Law Firm*” accolade for the third time.

For the middle market segments, Jefferies won the “*Restructuring Investment Bank*” trophy for the first time, Conway MacKenzie, received the sought-after, “*Turnaround Consulting Firm*” for the second time, Foley & Lardner, won the “*Restructuring Law Firm*”, and Monroe Capital won the inaugural “*Middle Market Lender of the Year*” award. For the boutique outstanding firm awards, Loughlin Management Partners, won the “*Boutique Turnaround Consulting Firm*” for the first time and SSG Capital Advisors, once again, won the “*Boutique Restructuring Investment Bank*” award.

about: TURNAROUND ATLAS AWARDS: Honors excellence from the restructuring and turnaround communities, world-wide. Over the last eight years, winners are selected independently based on the deal/assignment performance criteria/index.

Prestige: Winning the TURNAROUND ATLAS AWARDS equates to achieving the highest “*Gold Standard of Performance*” acclaim globally, locally and regionally; validating the team talents, as well as the organization’s competitive brand leadership position.

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**LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT
AWARDS** *Recipients of the Year*



STEPHEN P. HARBECK

President and Chief Executive Officer, Securities Investor Protection Corporation

Recipient of the:

LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mr. Harbeck joined SIPC in 1975, serving as a trial and appellate attorney, General Counsel of SIPC from 1995 through 2003, and was elected as SIPC's President and Chief Executive Officer in December, 2003. Mr. Harbeck's tenure as President is marked by liquidations of Lehman Brothers, the largest bankruptcy of any kind in history, Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities, the largest Ponzi Scheme in history, and MF Global, the eighth largest bankruptcy in history.

Mr. Harbeck served as a Sergeant with the Reconnaissance Platoon, First Battalion, Seventh Cavalry, of the First Cavalry Division, Airmobile, in the Republic of South Vietnam, from August 1970 through May 1971.



KEVYN D. ORR

Partner, Jones Day

Recipient of the:

**CITY of DETROIT RESTRUCTURING
LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Mr. Orr has practiced law in the areas of business restructuring, financial institution regulation, and commercial litigation for three decades.

Mr. Orr was appointed as the Emergency Manager for the City of Detroit by Michigan Governor Richard D. Snyder, serving from March 2013 through December 2014. Under Mr. Orr's leadership, the city successfully restructured \$18 billion in debt, reduced overall debt by \$7 billion, developed and implemented a multiyear \$1.7 billion revitalization plan for city services and operations.

Prior to re-joining Jones Day in May 2015, Mr. Orr served as Special Counsel for the Emergency Manager for Atlantic City, appointed by New Jersey Governor, Chris Christie (January 2015 through April 2015).



SLOAN GAON

Chief Executive Officer, PulsePoint

Recipient of the:

**CORPORATE GROWTH
LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Mr. Gaon has executive management expertise in global digital marketing, content and e-commerce.

PulsePoint was formed in 2011 through a merger of digital technology companies Datran Media and Contextweb. Under Mr. Gaon's leadership, PulsePoint has restructured to become a leading player in programmatic advertising platform, and importantly, revenues have increased by 100 percent last year to nearly \$100 million.

PulsePoint's venture capital investors include Draper Fisher Jurvetson, Investor Growth Capital, Udata Partners, Gotham Ventures and VantagePoint Capital Partners.



**LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT
AWARDS** *Recipients of the Year*



JOHN A. HATHERLY

Managing Partner, Founder, Wynnchurch Capital

Recipient of the:

**PRIVATE EQUITY
LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Mr. Hatherly founded Wynnchurch Capital in 1999, a leading middle market private equity firm investing in complex transactions involving companies in transition including corporate carveouts, underperforming companies, operational turnarounds, restructurings, bankruptcies and other special situations.

Over his professional career, Mr. Hatherly has played a central role in more than 200 investments totaling over \$15 billion in support of acquisitions, buyouts, recapitalizations, project finance and leasing.



KENNETH A. BUCKFIRE

President, Managing Director and Co-founder, Miller Buckfire, a Stifel Company.

Recipient of the:

LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mr. Buckfire co-founder of Miller Buckfire in 2002, a leading restructuring investment bank focused on helping clients address and find solutions. Mr. Buckfire over his professional career has advised on numerous complex reorganizations - representing debtors, creditors and parties across wide variety of restructuring styles.

Recent successful and Turnaround Atlas Awards winning transactions advised includes - Calpine Corporation (2009); General Growth Properties (2012), and most recently, Chapter 9 restructuring of City of Detroit.



VAN E. CONWAY

Chief Executive Officer, President, Senior Managing Director, Conway Mackenzie

Recipient of the:

LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mr. Conway co-founded Conway Mackenzie in 1987, a nationally recognized and a leading consulting and restructuring advisory firm. Mr. Conway has been engaged as a turnaround consultant and financial advisor to clients in various industries, including: automotive, manufacturing, steel, service, transportation, distribution and contracting for nearly thirty years.

Most recently, Mr. Conway, a native of Detroit, and the Conway team served as an advisor in the successful Chapter 9 restructuring of City of Detroit – a city close to Mr. Conway's heart, as well as his many contributions made to the local community.



**RESTRUCTURING TEAM & PROFESSIONAL
AWARDS *Recipients***

CORPORATE TURNAROUND TEAM *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Essar Steel Algomo, presented to Mr. Kalyan Ghosh, Chief Executive Officer.

GLOBAL TURNAROUND CONSULTANT *of the YEAR*

WINNER: AlixPartners, Randall Eisenberg, Managing Director and team.

MIDDLE MARKETS TURNAROUND CONSULTANT *of the YEAR*

WINNER: GlassRatner Advisory & Capital Group, Peter N. Schaeffer, Principal and team.

BOUTIQUE TURNAROUND CONSULTANT *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Beilinson Advisory Group, Marc Beilinson, Managing Partner and team.

MIDDLE MARKETS

RESTRUCTURING BANKER *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Raymond James, Raj Singh, Managing Director, Head of Restructuring and team.

RESTRUCTURING LAWYER *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle LLP, Steven J. Reisman, Partner, Co-Chair, Restructuring and Insolvency Group and team.



TRANSACTIONAL AWARDS WINNERS

Note: It is the transaction that win's. Firm's attending the gala and accepting the coveted winner's circle trophy are acknowledged.

TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: City of Detroit Chapter 9 Plan of Reorganization.

Winner Circle: City of Detroit, Conway MacKenzie, advisor to the City; Miller Buckfire, advisor to the City; Ernst & Young, advisor to the City; Miller Canfield, Paddock & Stone, local legal advisor to the City; Dentons legal counsel to the Official Retiree Committee; Honigman Miller Schwartz & Cohn, legal counsel for Detroit Institute of Arts.

TURNAROUND of the YEAR | LARGE

WINNER: Momentive Performance Materials Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Winner Circle: AlixPartners, advisor to the Momentive Performance.

TURNAROUND of the YEAR | LARGE MID MARKETS

WINNER: LDK Solar judicial restructuring.

Winner Circle: Jefferies, exclusive financial advisor to LDK.

TURNAROUND of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: APCOA Parking Group restructuring.

Winner Circle: Centerbridge; Rothschild, financial advisor to debtor.

TURNAROUND of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: ATLS Acquisition (Liberty Medical) and 9 affiliates including PolyMedica Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to investor group.

Winner Circle: Ernst & Young, Raymond James, Mesirow Financial Consulting, RSR Consulting, Greenberg Traurig, legal advisor to debtors.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: ZIM Integrated Shipping Services restructuring.

Winner Circle: Evercore, financial advisor to ZIM.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the YEAR | LARGE

WINNER: Essar Steel Algoma restructuring.

Winner Circle: Essar Steel Algoma, Blackstone Advisory, financial advisor to Essar, Kirkland & Ellis and Stikeman Elliot, legal advisors to Essar Steel.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: Fisker Automotive sale of assets to Wanxiang America Corp.

Winner Circle: Beilinson Advisory, advisor to Fisker Automotive.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Universal Cooperatives restructuring and sale of Bridon Cordage and Heritage Trading.

Winner Circle: Keystone Group, Foley & Lardner advisors to Universal Cooperatives.



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CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Overseas Shipholding Group Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Winner Circle: Overseas Shipholding Group, Chilmark Partners, Jefferies, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Morris Nichols Arsht & Tunnell.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the YEAR | SMALL MID MARKETS

WINNER: Crumbs Bake Shop restructuring and acquisition by Lemonis Fischer Acquisition.

Winner Circle: GlassRatner Advisory, Lowenstein Sandler.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Cochise Regional Hospital restructuring.

Winner Circle: SAK Management Services, Goldstein & McClintock, People's Choice Hospital.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Preferred Sands debt restructuring and investment stake by KKR & Co.

Winner Circle: FTI Consulting, advisor to Preferred Sands.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: Classic Party Rentals restructuring and acquisition by Apollo Global Management.

Winner Circle: Jefferies, financial advisor to Classic Party Rentals.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Johnstown Wire Technologies acquisition and turnaround by Aterian Investment.

Winner Circle: Aterian Investment.

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Genco Shipping & Trading restructuring.

Winner Circle: Blackstone Advisory, Jefferies, Kramer Levin Naftalis, & Frankel, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle.

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

WINNER: United States Enrichment Corporation restructuring (Centrus Energy).

Winner Circle: AlixPartners, advisor to USEC.

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: UniTek Global Services restructuring.

Winner Circle: Miller Buckfire, advisor to UniTek Global Services.

INSOLVENCY of the YEAR

WINNER: Coldwater Creek Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation and sale of assets.

Winner Circle: GlassRatner Advisory & Capital Group, Shearman & Sterling, Lowenstein Sandler, Curtis Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle.



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OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Punch Taverns restructuring.

Winner Circle: Blackstone Advisory, Rothschild.

OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE MID MARKETS

WINNER: Eitzen Chemical restructuring (Team Tankers International).

Winner Circle: Evercore, advisor to Eitzen Chemical.

OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: IAP Worldwide Services restructuring.

Winner Circle: FTI Consulting, Loughlin Management Partners+Co.

OUT of COURT RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Hunter Specialties restructuring and acquisition by Peak Rock Capital.

Winner Circle: Cleary Gull, advisor to Hunter Specialties.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Cengage Learning restructuring.

Winner Circle: Arent Fox, legal advisor to creditor group.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE MARKETS

WINNER: Edison Mission Energy restructuring and acquisition by NRG Energy.

Winner Circle: DLA Piper, legal advisor to Edison International.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: Select Staffing restructuring.

Winners Circle: AlixPartners, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | SMALL MID MARKETS

WINNER: Cooper-Booth Wholesale Company, Cooper-Booth Transportation Company and Cooper-Booth Management Company Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

Winners Circle: Executive Sounding Board Associates, SSG Capital Advisors.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Houston Regional Sports Network Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and takeover by DirectTV & AT&T. (Root Sports Southwest).

Winners Circle: Conway Mackenzie, Haynes & Boone.

CROSS BORDER DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR

WINNER: Brookstone Holdings restructuring and acquisition by investors led by Sailing Capital.

Winners Circle: Deloitte CRG, Jefferies, Cooley.

CROSS BORDER DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR | SMALL MARKETS

WINNER: Hedwin Corporation Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and sale to Fujimori Kogyo.

Winner Circle: Mesirow Financial, Shared Management Resources.



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SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR

WINNER: Rede Energia restructuring and acquisition by Energisa.

Winner Circle: Tauil & Chequer - Mayer Brown, Rothschild.

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

WINNER: Constar International reorganization and sale to Plastipak Packaging.

Winner Circle: Lincoln International, advisor to Constar International.

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

WINNER: Phoenix Payment Systems reorganization and sale of assets to North American Bancard.

Winner Circle: Raymond James, advisor to Phoenix Payment Systems.

TRANSACTIONAL INDUSTRY AWARDS WINNERS

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CONSUMER PRODUCTS TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Aurobindo Pharma acquisition of Natrol under Chapter 11 auction.

Winners Circle: Miller Canfield Paddock & Stone, DLA Piper.

CONSUMER SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Clearlake Capital Group acquisition of Ashley Stewart under Chapter 11 auction.

Winners Circle: GlassRatner Advisory & Capital Group, Curtis Mallet-Prevost Colt & Mosle.

CONSTRUCTION & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Wynnchurch Capital acquisition of Victor Oolitic Stone (Indiana Limestone) and turnaround.

Winner Circle: Wynnchurch Capital.

ENERGY & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Lupatech Group restructuring.

Winner Circle: Shearman & Sterling, Tauil & Chequer - Mayer Brown.

FOOD & BEVERAGE TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Groeb Farms Chapter 11 sale to Peak Rock Capital (American Natural Foods).

Winners Circle: Conway MacKenzie, Foley & Lardner, Greenberg Traurig.



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FINANCIAL SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: iPayment Holdings debt restructuring.

Winners Circle: Miller Buckfire, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.

HEALTHCARE SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: St. Francis Hospital Chapter 11 sale to Westchester Medical Center.

Winner Circle: Deloitte Corporate Finance.

INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Pacific Steel Castings Company Chapter 11 sale of assets to Speyside Equity.

Winner Circle: Cleary Gull, advisor to Pacific Steel Castings.

MINING & RESOURCES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: DRA International acquisition of Forge Group (formerly Taggart Global).

Winners Circle: KordaMentha, Thomas J. Allison.

PHARMACEUTICALS TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Savient Pharmaceuticals Chapter 11 sale to Crealta Pharmaceuticals.

Winners Circle: Mesirow Financial, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.

REAL ESTATE & HOSPITALITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Z Capital Partners acquisition of Canyon Ranch Hotel and Spa from affiliate of Lehman Brothers Holdings (The Carillon Hotel and Spa).

Winner Circle: Z Capital Partners.

TELECOM & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: FiberTower Network Services Chapter 11 plan of reorganization.

Winner Circle: FTI Consulting, advisor to FiberTower Network Services.

TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Global Aviation Chapter 11 sale of North American Airlines to Omni Air International.

Winner Circle: Haynes & Boone, advisor to Global Aviation.

UTILITIES, POWER & SERVICES TURNAROUND of the YEAR

WINNER: Entegra Power restructuring.

Winner Circle: Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.



OUTSTANDING FIRMS *of the Year* AWARDS

PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Aterian Investment Partners

DISTRESSED DEBT INVESTOR *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Z Capital Partners

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Blackstone Advisory

MIDDLE MARKETS RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Jefferies

BOUTIQUE RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK *f the* YEAR

WINNER: SSG Capital Advisors

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Skadden, Arps, Slate,
Meagher & Flom, LLP

MIDDLE MARKETS RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Foley & Lardner, LLP

CREDITORS RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Lowenstein Sandler, LLP

GLOBAL TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: FTI Consulting

MIDDLE MARKETS TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Conway MacKenzie

BOUTIQUE TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Loughlin Management
Partners+Co

MID MARKET LENDER *of the* YEAR

WINNER: Monroe Capital