

9th ANNUAL AWARDS GALA DINNER CEREMONY

APRIL 4, 2016 at the METROPOLITAN CLUB New York, USA

> 6.30: Networking Cocktails. 7.30: Dinner and Ceremony. 9.30 Farewell.







9th Annual Gala Celebrations, April 4th, 2017. West Lounge Ballroom, Metropolitan Club, New York.

PROGRAM

6.30 pm GUEST ARRIVALS

NETWORKING COCKTAIL RECEPTION

7.25 pm DINNER

8.00 pm WELCOME REMARKS

Shanta Kumari, CEO and Global Group Editor Global M&A Network

WINNERS CIRCLE

Trophy Presentation Ceremony

- Restructuring Transaction Awards
- Leadership Achievement Awards
- Turnaround Transaction Awards
- Top Performing Professional Awards
- Outstanding Firm Awards

A TRADITION of EXCELLENCE

Tonight, we celebrate and honor the best value-creating transactions, sought-after professionals, outstanding firms and influential leaders from the restructuring, insolvency, distressed M&A, and turnaround industries.

The finalists and the winners should take pride for executing top transactions, and as the winners of the worlds' most prestigious – "Gold Standard of Performance", industry awards.

On behalf of the many team members at Global M&A Network, we thank you for joining us in celebrating your achievements.

Your success, is our success, and we wish you the best for the year ahead.

Regards,

Shanta Kumari

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Chief Executive Officer, Global Group Editor

global M&A network perfecting global opportunities

RESTRUCTURING TRANSACTIONAL Awards Winners

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

WINNER: Fairway Group Holdings restructuring.

PRE-PACKAGED RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | LARGE

WINNER: Halcón Resources restructuring.

INDUSTRY RESTRUCTURING Awards Winners

CONSUMER PRODUCTS RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Rienzi & Sons Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CONSUMER SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Last Call Guarantor acquisition by Fun Eats and Drinks, affiliate of Kelly Investment.

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

WINNER: Winner: Linc USA reorganization and sale of assets including Alaska Resources to Arctic Acquisition, Gulf Coast assets to Torrent Oil, Wyoming assets to Big Muddy Operating.

ENERGY RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR** | LARGE

WINNER: Midstates Petroleum Prearranged Chapter 11 Reorganization.

ENTERTAINMENT RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: SFX Entertainment Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

FINANCIAL SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: RCS Capital Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

HEALTHCARE SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: SynCardia Systems reorganization and sale to Versa Capital Management.

INDUSTRIALS RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Constellation Enterprises reorganization and sale of Commercial Metal Forming, Jorgensen Forge and Zero Manufacturing to CE Star Holdings and sale of Columbus Castings to Reich Brothers.

MANUFACTURING & SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: AstroTurf sale to APT Acquisition Construction Corp.

MINING & RESOURCES RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Navajo Transitional Energy Company financing and acquisition of Navajo Mine from BHP Billiton.

MEDIA & MARKETING RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Freedom Communications Chapter 11 sale to Digital First Media.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Binder & Binder, National Social Security Disability Advocates Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

INDUSTRY RESTRUCTURING Awards Winners

REAL ESTATE RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Seaboard Realty reorganization and sale of eight assets from hospitality, multi-family and commercial/office properties.

RETAIL & SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR

WINNER: Quicksilver Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

TECHNOLOGY & SERVICES RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Aspect Software Prearranged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING Awards Winners

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 25 to 250 million USD.

WINNER: BIND Therapeutics reorganization and acquisition by Pfizer.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 250 million to a billion USD.

WINNER: Logan's Roadhouse reorganization.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING *of the* **YEAR** | *Qualified as value 1 billion to 2.5 billion to a billion USD.*

WINNER: Life Partners Holdings reorganization.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 2.5 billion to 5 billion to a billion USD.

WINNER: Verso Corporation reorganization.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the YEAR | Qualified as value 2.5 billion to 5 billion to a billion USD.

WINNER: Alpha Natural Resources reorganization and asset sale to Contura Energy.

CHAPTER 11 RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 2.5 billion to 5 billion to a billion USD.

WINNER: Texas Competitive Energy Holdings businesses including Luminant, TXU Energy and

EFH Business Services spinoff from Energy Future Holdings (Vistra Energy).

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL Awards Winners

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 5 to 25 million USD.

WINNER: Quantum Fuel Systems Technologies Chapter 11 sale to Douglas Acquisitions.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 25 to 100 million USD.

WINNER: Pate Dawson Company sale to Cheney Brothers.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 100 to 250 million USD.

WINNER: Gawker Media Chapter 11 sale to Univision Communications.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the YEAR | Qualified as value 250 million to below a billion USD.

WINNER: Abengoa Bioenergy Chapter 11 Reorganization sale of assets including four facilities to Green Plains, sale of Ravenna facility to KAAPA Ethanol, sale of Kansas ethanol plant to Synata Bio.

SPECIAL SITUATION M&A DEAL of the **YEAR** | *Qualified as value above a billion USD.*

WINNER: Walter Energy Chapter 11 Reorganization and sale of assets to Warrior Met Coal.

TRANSACTIONAL Awards Winners

OUT of **COURT RESTRUCTURING** of the **YEAR** | SMALL MID MARKETS

WINNER: Harris Connect restructuring and sale.

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

WINNER: HDT Global financial restructuring.

OUT of **COURT RESTRUCTURING** of the **YEAR** | LARGE

WINNER: Trans Energy restructuring and sale to EQT including certain assets affiliated with

Republic Energy Ventures.

INSOLVENCY of the **YEAR**

WINNER: Sports Authority Chapter 11 reorganization and sale of assets to Tiger Capital, Hilco Global and Gordon Brothers.

COMMUNITY REVIVIAL RESTRUCTURING of the **YEAR**

WINNER: ERP Iron Ore acquisition and revival of Magnetation.

TURNAROUND Awards Winners

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | Qualified as value 5 to 50 million USD. WINNER: Mid-States Supply Company acquisition by Staple Street Capital.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 50 to 200 million USD.

WINNER: Pacific Sunwear of California reorganization, refinance and takeover by Golden Gate Capital.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the YEAR | Qualified as value 200 to 500 million USD.

WINNER: Quicksilver Resources US oil and gas assets acquisition by BlueStone Natural

Resources in partnership with Natural Gas Partners.

PRIVATE EQUITY TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value above a billion USD.

WINNER: Molycorp Chapter 11 Reorganization and takeover by Oaktree Capital. (Neo

Performance Materials).



2017 LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS Recipients of the Year



TIMOTHY R. COLEMAN

Partner, Had of the Restructuring and Special Situations Group

PJT Partners

Tim has advised on a variety of restructuring assignments for companies, municipalities, creditor groups, fund managers as well as acquirers of distressed assets. Art Newman, founder of the restructuring practice at The Blackstone Group recruited Mr. Coleman; and he spent twenty-three years at Blackstone prior to the advisory group's spin-off.

Mr. Coleman has played a central role advising on numerous successful restructurings including Ford Motor Company, Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC ("C-BASS"), Delta Air Lines, AT&T, Genco, Greece, Kaupthing (Iceland), Los Angeles Dodgers, among others, to award winning transactions this year including Energy XXI and Halcon Resources.

Significantly, commitment to clients, colleagues and peers, as well as contributions made in and outside the restructuring industry, makes Tim a visionary, respected advisor and a valued friend.

We congratulate Tim, his family, friends as well as PJT firm-wide team.



JAMES J. LOUGHLIN, Jr. Principal, Managing Director Loughlin Management Partners

A nationally recognized restructuring professional, Jim has over 25 years of financial and operational restructuring experience, advising distressed companies, lenders and other creditors.

Jim has been instrumental in effectuating many successful turnarounds, having advised on over 150 assignments, and restructuring more than \$75 billion of debt, across variety of industries including several large and complex cases. He has served as Chief Restructuring Officer for several corporations including Werner Ladder, Greatwide Logistics, Thompson Publishing, Ecko Unlimited and award-winning restructuring of cellular phone company Independent Wireless One.

Notably, Jim is praised by his clients for his creativity and commitment, as well as esteemed by peers and colleagues.

We congratulate Jim, his family, friends as well as LM+Co firm-wide team.

TURNAROUND Awards Winners

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 5 to 100 million USD.

WINNER: American Manufacturing and Affiliated Companies restructuring and financing.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 100 to 250 million USD.

WINNER: Cardiac Science Corporation Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and acquisition by to

Aurora Resurgence, an affiliate of Aurora Capital Group.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | *Qualified as value 250 to 1 billion USD.*

WINNER: Vertellus Specialties Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 1 to 2.5 billion USD.

WINNER: CJ Energy Services Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 2.5 to 5 billion USD.

WINNER: Energy XXI Chapter 11 of Plan Reorganization.

CORPORATE TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value above 5 billion USD.

WINNER: Arch Coal Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as 5 million to 100 million USD.

WINNER: Conuma Coal Resources acquisition of Walter Energy Canada assets.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as above a 5 billion USD.

WINNER: Mahindra & Mahindra acquisition of majority stake in Pininfarina.

CROSS BORDER TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as above a 5 billion USD.

WINNER: Pacific Exploration & Production Company restructuring.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 5 million to 50 million USD.

WINNER: Wildfish restructuring.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 50 million to 100 million USD.

WINNER: EZ Worldwide Express Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 100 to 500 million USD.

WINNER: Aeropostale Chapter 11 Reorganization and acquisition by consortium group including Authentic Brands Group, Simon Property Group, General Growth Properties, Gordon Brothers and

Hilco Merchant Resources.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 500 million to 1 billion USD.

WINNER: GT Advanced Technologies Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 1 to 2 billion USD.

WINNER: Energy and Exploration Partner Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 2 to 5 billion USD.

WINNER: Tervita recapitalization and restructuring.

TURNAROUND of the **YEAR** | Qualified as value 1 to 2 billion USD.

WINNER: Chesapeake Energy operational and financial restructuring.

OUTSTANDING RESTRUCTURING & TURNAROUND FIRM of the Year

GLOBAL DISTRESSED DEBT INVESTOR of the YEAR

Apollo Global Management Centerbridge Capital Partners Cerberus Capital Management GSO Capital Partners Oaktree Capital Management

U.S.A PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM of the YEAR

Aterian Investment Partners Resilience Capital Partners Staple Street Capital Versa Capital Management

GLOBAL TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR

AlixPartners
Alvarez & Marsal
Berkeley Research Group
FTI Consulting
Zolfo Cooper

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Evercore
Houlihan Lokey
Lazard Frères
Moelis & Co
PJT Partners
Rothschild

GLOBAL RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR

Davis Polk & Wardwell Kirkland & Ellis Milbank Tweed Hadley & McCloy Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison Ropes & Gray Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom Weil Gotshal & Manges

GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM of the YEAR

Apollo Global Management Cerberus Capital Management Oaktree Capital Management The Catalyst Group

U.S.A LENDER of the YEAR Middle Markets

Bayside Crystal Finance Monroe Capital Siena Lending Group

TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

CDG Group
Conway MacKenzie
Huron Consulting
MacKinac Partners
GlassRatner Advisory & Capital Group
Opportune

RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

Blackhill Partners
Carl Marks Securities
Deloitte Financial Advisory
Huron Transaction Advisors
SSG Capital Advisors

RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR | MIDDLE MARKETS

DLA Piper Foley & Lardner Greenberg Traurig Lowenstein Sandler Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones

CREDITORS TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR

Berkeley Research Group FTI Consulting Zolfo Cooper



OUTSTANDING FIRM of the Year

Award winners announced and honored at the trophy presentation ceremony.

CREDITORS RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR

Centerview Houlihan Lokey Lazard Frères Moelis & Co

Top Performing
RESTRUCTURING & TURNAROUND
PROFESSIONAL
Awards Recipient, categories

Restructuring Investment Banker of the Year Restructuring Lawyer of the Year Turnaround Consultant of the Year

CREDITORS RESTRUCTURING LAW FIRM of the YEAR

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld
Davis Polk & Wardwell
Latham & Watkins
Milbank Tweed Hadley & McCloy
Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison

RESTRUCTURING INVESTMENT BANK of the YEAR | BOUTIQUE

Capstone Partners
Gordian Group
Keen-Summit Capital Partners

TAX & ACCOUNTING FIRM of the YEAR | RESTRUCTURING

Deloitte Ernst & Young Grant Thornton KPMG PwC

TURNAROUND CONSULTING FIRM of the YEAR | BOUTIQUE

Bridgepoint Consulting Novo Advisors Winter Harbor

VALUATION FIRM of the YEAR | DISTRESSED ASSETS

Duff & Phelps
Gordon Brothers Valuations
Great American Group (B. Riley Financial)
Hilco Valuation Services
Loughlin Management Partners

BANKRUPTCY SERVICES FIRM of the YEAR | ADMINISTRAION

BMC Group
Donlin Recano & Company
Epiq Bankruptcy Solutions
Garden City Group
Kurtzman Carson Consultants
Prime Clerk



GET to KNOW INFORMATION

World's most prestigious, award exclusively honors excellence from the restructuring, distressed investing, insolvency, distressed M&A and turnaround communities. The independent awards recognizes achievements in the categories of best value-creating transactions, outstanding firms, top professionals, and influential leaders.

PRESTIGE

Winning the awards equates to achieving the "Gold Standard of Performance" seal of endorsement, validating excellence, and preeminent status in the industry since the winners are selected independently on "transaction performance merits", team expertise, track-record and leadership.

STANDARDS

Prestige of the award emanates from the integrity and methodology of the process. Winners are judged by point-indexed method based on the transaction outcome criteria. Evaluative criteria include style, pre-and-post financial workout; debtor-creditor negotiation; sector complexities; regulatory and jurisdiction; stakeholder and community impact; leadership; brand strength; etc. Significantly, the process is independent of any involvement by industry associations or vendors to insure a 100% conflict-free process; and avoid any "pay for play" influence.

TROPHY PRESENTATION POLICY

Winners are honored at the annual gala ceremony. Following is the trophy presentation policy:

LEADERS & PROFESSIONAL: Recipient must personally accept their treasured trophy at the ceremony. **OUTSTANDING FIRMS**: Firm representative can accept the trophy on behalf of their organization.

TRANSACTIONS:

- 1. Nominee Advantage. If you nominated, then you will be awarded the prized winner trophy at the gala ceremony. The respective transaction team member must attend the gala ceremony to accept their transaction trophy accolade.
- 2. Corporate or Asset Acquirers. We notify and invite the restructured organization and asset buyers.
- 3. Primary financial, legal, consultant advisors to the debtor, including DIP Lender advisor; followed by
- 4. Primary financial, legal, consultant advisor to the creditor committee; followed by
- 5. Secondary, debtor advisors, and lastly, the creditor advisors.

NOTE: Winner trophy is presented to the transaction teams, and at discretion of Global M&A Network. If a firm is part of several winning transactions, then please be sure to confirm team member who worked on the respective winning transaction for them to accept their transaction winner trophy.

TROPHY PURCHASE POLICY

Only firms' officially honored at the gala ceremony can purchase trophy on behalf of their clients and colleagues. Special engraving options are also available as feasible.

WINNERS CIRCLE, OFFICIAL PRESS Release

The release is made available after the gala celebration gathering. Firms' in attendance at the gala and dinner are acknowledged on all the winning transactions advised by the firm regardless of having received the transactional trophy at gala dinner.

Logo and relevant information is provided free of charge to the "Winners Circle".





best value-creating deals, influential dealmaker teams, outstanding firms, legendary leaders,

from the mergers, acquisitions, private equity, venture capital, turnaround communities world-wide.

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9th Annual Gala, TBA October, 2017. New York. Honors achievements exclusively from the Americas deal communities.

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9th Annual Gala, TBA September, 2017. Hong Kong. Honors achievements from the Asia-Pacific wide deal communities.

LATIN AMERICA M&A ATLAS AWARDS

8th Annual Gala, TBA December, 2017. San Paolo Honors achievements from the Latin American deal communities.

EUROPE, AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST M&A ATLAS AWARDS

6th Annual Gala, TBA, 2017. London. Honors achievements from the EMEA deal communities.



CONGRATULATIONS

to all the
FINALISTS
and the
WINNERS, 2017



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PRESTIGE:

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Host: Global M&A Network is a diversified media, producer of the world class awards and forum connecting company. The company produces the "Gold Standard of Performance" independent M&A ATLAS and the Turnaround Atlas Awards worldwide – from New York, Chicago, San Paolo, Hong Kong, Mumbai/New Delhi, to London.

Digital Media Offerings:

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