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Winners Circle, 16th Annual



February 7, 2025: Global M&A Network recognized the achievements of successful dealmakers, outstanding firms and the best-value creating transactions during the 16th Annual Americas M&A Atlas Awards gala celebrations.

“We recognized the stellar achievements of best performing firms, deals and dealmakers, who exemplify excellence for executing transactions, especially during this past year. We value their participation and wish them continued success for the year to follow.” Shanta Kumari, CEO and Global Group Editor, Global M&A Network.

H.I.G Capital received the outstanding “Americas Private Equity Firm” accolade, L Catterton, McNally Capital, Latticework Capital Management, and Thomo Bravo won Consumer, Industrial, Healthcare, Tech Private Equity Investor awards, along with Blue Point Capital Partners winning the USA Private Equity Firm. Audax Private Debt, Churchill Asset Management, Monroe Capital and Midcap Financial were winners in the four distinct categories of lender awards.

Cherry Bekaert received the outstanding “Accounting & Due Diligence & Valuations” honors; A&G Real Estate Partners, won the “Real Estate Advisory Firm” accolade, while DealRoom received the “Tech & Solutions Provider” firm honors.

“Outstanding M&A Investment Bank” award winners in the unique Americas, regional, specialty, markets were – Piper Sandler, Harris Williams, Generational Equity, Navagant, Westcove Partners, and Drake Star Partners.

“Outstanding M&A Law Firm” award winners in the unique Americas, regional, specialty were – Goodwin Procter, Holland & Knight, Stikeman Elliot, Troutman Pepper Locke, and Fenwick & West.

The evening honored **Tess Oxenstierna, Managing Director, Head of ADGS, Capstone Partners,** and **Sander A.J.R. Grieve KC, Partner, Bennett Jones LLP** among “Americas Leader & Dealmaker” professional awards.

There were 52 unique categories of “Deal of the Year” awards – across regional, investors and sector categories this year.

about:

World’s most prestigious, the independently governed M&A Atlas Awards exclusively honors excellence in the categories of deals, teams, and outstanding firms. Winners are officially announced and honored during the gala celebrations and winner trophy-presentation ceremony.

host:

Global M&A Network is a diversified digital media and conference connecting company. The company produces the world’s most prestigious - Turnaround Atlas Awards, Women Leaders & Dealmaker Awards, and the M&A Atlas branded awards programs worldwide - from New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Mumbai, to London.

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LEADERS & DEALMAKERS

AWARDS *Recipients of the Year*

about the award: Dealmaker awards are presented to seasoned professionals for successfully executing award-winning deals, their differentiated expertise, influence and, over twenty years of closing game-changing transactions.

Recipient Of: M&A INVESTMENT BANKER of the Year

Tess Oxenstierna

Managing Director, Head of Aerospace, Defense, Government, and Security (ADGS)
Capstone Partners

about: Based in New York, USA, Tess has over 25 years of experience across the ADGS industry, government policy arena, and financial services sector.

Recipient Of: M&A LAWYER BANKER of the Year

Sander A.J.R. Grieve

Partner
Bennett Jones LLP

about: Based in Toronto, Canada, Sander practices public market finance and mergers and acquisitions. While Sander acts for clients in several industries, he focuses on global mining exploration, development and extraction.

OUTSTANDING

INVESTORS, *award winners:*

AMERICAS PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the Year*

WINNER: **H.I.G. Capital**

CONSUMER PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTOR *of the Year*

WINNER: **L Catterton**

INDUSTRIALS PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTOR *of the Year*

WINNER: **McNally Capital**

HEALTHCARE PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTOR *of the Year*

WINNER: **Latticework Capital Management**

TECH PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTOR *of the Year*

WINNER: **Thoma Bravo**

USA PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the Year*

WINNER: **Blue Point Capital Partners**

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OUTSTANDING LENDERS

award winners:

LENDER *of the Year* • lower mid-market

WINNER: **Monroe Capital**

LENDER *of the Year* • mid-market

WINNER: **Churchill Asset Management**

PRIVATE DEBT LENDER *of the Year*

WINNER: **Audax Private Debt**

DIRECT CREDIT FIRM *of the Year*

WINNER: **MidCap Financial**

Firm Performance Standards: (1) Notable middle-market transactions – acquisitions, portfolio add-on, and exit sale, closed in the stated timeframe; (2) Team expertise and leadership, demonstrable record of investments and exits transactions.

OUTSTANDING M&A

ADVISORY FIRM, *award winners:*

ACCOUNTING & DUE DILIGENCE FIRM *of the Year*

WINNER: **Cherry Bekaert**

REAL ESTATE ADVISOR *of the Year*

WINNER: **A&G Real Estate Partners**

M&A TECH & SOLUTIONS FIRM *of the Year*

WINNER: **DealRoom Inc.**

OUTSTANDING M&A INVESTMENT BANKS

AMERICAS INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*

WINNER: **Piper Sandler & Co**

AMERICAS PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*

WINNER: **Harris Williams & Co**

U.S.A. INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*

WINNER: **Generational Equity**

BOUTIQUE INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*

WINNER: **Navagant**

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OUTSTANDING M&A INVESTMENT BANKS

Specialist Categories:

BOUTIQUE HEALTHCARE
INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **Westcove Partners**

BOUTIQUE TMT
INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **Drake Star Partners**

OUTSTANDING M&A LAW FIRMS

AMERICAS
LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Goodwin Procter LLP**

AMERICAS
PRIVATE EQUITY LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Holland & Knight LLP**

CANADA
LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Stikeman Elliott LLP**

U.S.A.
LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Troutman Pepper Locke LLP**

AMERICAS
TECHNOLOGY LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Fenwick & West LLP**

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AMERICAS M&A

DEAL AWARDS winners:

AMERICAS M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Small Markets

WINNER: Diné Development Corporation (Navajo Nation) acquires SpinSys. 50

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Navajo Nation, Capstone Partners** advised Spin Systems, a data analytics and AI/ML-driven intelligence visualization government contractor, and

Holland & Knight, LLP. Diné Development Corporation is a Navajo Nation owned IT, professional, and environmental services company.

AMERICAS M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Mid Markets

WINNER: Thermon Group acquires Vapor Power International from Stone Pointe.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP** as legal counsel to Thermon, a global leader in industrial process heating solutions, and **CIBC US Middle Market Investment Banking** as a financial advisor to Vapor Power, a provider of high-quality industrial process heating solutions.

Troutman Pepper Locke LLP (formerly Locke Lord) as legal counsel to Vapor Power.

AMERICAS M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: McNally Capital sale of Advanced Micro Instruments, Inc. to Enpro Inc. 210mm

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **McNally Capital**, makes thesis-driven investments in the U.S. and targets founder- and management-led companies in the Aerospace & Defense/National Security, Industrials, and Business Services industries.

AMERICAS M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large

WINNER: Thoma Bravo sale of Adenza Group to Nasdaq Inc.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Thoma Bravo**, one of the largest software investors in the world. The firm invests in growth-oriented, innovative companies operating in the software and technology sectors. Adenza provides customers with end-to-end, trading, treasury, risk management and regulatory compliance platforms.

STRATEGIC M&A

DEAL AWARDS winners:

STRATEGIC M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: PCTEL sale to Amphenol Corporation.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Lake Street Capital Markets** as an exclusive financial advisor to PCTEL, a global provider of wireless technology solutions, including purpose-built Industrial IoT devices, antenna systems, and test and measurement products.

STRATEGIC M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large

WINNER: Shockwave Medical acquired by Johnson & Johnson.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Fenwick & West, LLP** transactional counsel to Shockwave Medical, a leader in the development and commercialization of innovative products that are transforming the treatment of cardiovascular disease.

Kindly note, it is the “deal” that wins!

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CROSS BORDER

M&A DEAL AWARDS winners:

CROSS BORDER M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Small

WINNER: Sumitomo Corporation, U.S. subsidiary Sumitomo Corporation of Americas investment in Vast Medical Holdings, owner of Quest Health Solutions (Quest).

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Provident Healthcare Partners** advised Quest Health Solutions, a provider of continuous glucose monitors, remote patient monitoring services, and other medical supplies to diabetic patients nationwide.

CROSS BORDER M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Mid Markets

WINNER: Amara NZero, portfolio company of Cinven acquires SUNRGY.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Baker McKenzie** acted as lead counsel to Spain-based, Amara NZero, a prominent global player in the renewable energy sector; and **Piper Sandler** served as sell-side advisor for Sunrgy Solar Distribution.

CROSS BORDER M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Mid Markets

WINNER: Envato acquired by Shutterstock.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Drake Star Partners** served as exclusive financial advisor to Envato headquartered in Australia with a presence in Mexico and New Zealand. Envato enables millions of people around the world to buy and sell creative assets, use smart design templates and learn creative skills. *Acknowledgement:* **Goodwin Procter LLP** acted as legal advisors to Envato

CROSS BORDER M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large

WINNER: Osisko Mining acquisition by Gold Fields Limited.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Osisko Mining** along with its legal counsel **Bennett Jones LLP**. Osisko is a mineral exploration company focused on the acquisition, exploration, and development of precious metal resource properties in Canada. Gold Fields is a globally diversified gold producer based in Johannesburg, South Africa.

AMERICAS GROWTH EQUITY

DEAL AWARDS winners:

GROWTH EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Small Mid-Market

WINNER: Accuhealth Technologies by Sunstone Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Hyde Park Capital** advised Accuhealth, a healthcare technology company with a focus on remote patient monitoring and chronic care management solutions.

GROWTH EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Middle Markets

WINNER: Ampirical Solutions Investment from SkyKnight Capital.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Bridgepoint Investment Banking** as a financial advisor to Ampirical Solutions, a tech-enabled provider of engineering and design services for the power industry.

Acknowledgement: **Harris Williams** and **Holland & Knight LLP** as financial and legal advisors respectively to SkyKnight Capital.

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AMERICAS GROWTH EQUITY

DEAL AWARDS winners:

GROWTH EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: InTandem Capital Partners investment in Adams Clinical.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Goodwin Procter LLP** acted as a transactional counsel to InTandem Capital, a healthcare services focused private equity firm, in its partnership with the founders and management team of Adams Clinical, a clinical trial site network.

AMERICAS PRIVATE EQUITY

DEAL AWARDS winners:

PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Small

WINNER: Main Street Capital recap investment in Pinnacle Plastics and Integrity Plastics.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Chamberlain Hrdlicka** Houston team, represented Pinnacle Plastics, Inc. and Integrity Plastics, Inc, a manufacturer and distributor of commercial can liners, polyethylene bags and produce bags, and related products.

PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Small Mid Markets

WINNER: RP Foods recap investment by Benford Capital Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Generational Equity** acted as exclusive financial advisor to RP Foods, a leading branded, private label, and B2B Hispanic food and beverage products company selling to retail and CPG food customers across the United States and internationally.

PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Middle Markets

WINNER: Tower Arch Capital acquires ACS Manufacturing.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Caddo Lake Capital** as a financial advisor to Tower Arch Capital on the Strategic Recapitalization of ACS Manufacturing, a specialty manufacturer of structural enclosures for backup power systems, primarily serving the data center, hospital, and utility industries. Tower Arch Capital is a lower-middle market private equity firm.

PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: Blue Point Capital Partners acquires National Safety Apparel.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Blue Point Capital Partners** investment in National Safety Apparel, established in 1935, is a manufacturer of branded, high-performance personal protective equipment and safety products for electrical, industrial and service applications.

PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Large Middle Markets

WINNER: L Catterton acquires AmaWaterways from a investor group led by Certares.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **L Catterton**, a leading consumer-focused investment firm, managing approximately \$35 billion of equity capital and three multi-product platforms: private equity, credit, and real estate. Founded in 2002, AmaWaterways is a leading river cruise line with a rich history of curating unforgettable travel experiences for guests alongside their travel advisor partnerships around the world.

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CANADA

DEAL AWARDS winners:

CANADA M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: Aeterna Zentaris acquires Ceapro (COSCIENS Biopharma).

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Troutman Pepper Locke LLP** transactional counsel to Ceapro on its merger of equals with Aeterna Zentaris, two innovative biopharmaceutical development companies.

CANADA M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large Middle Markets

WINNER: Spin Master Corp. acquires Melissa & Doug. 950

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Spin Master** and its transactional counsels **Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP** and **Torkin Manes LLP**. Spin Master is a leading global children's entertainment company, creating exceptional play experiences through its three creative centres: Toys, Entertainment and Digital Games.

CANADA M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large (Size: above a billion USD.)

WINNER: HSBC Bank Canada sale to Royal Bank of Canada.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Stikeman Elliott LLP** transactional counsel to London based HSBC Holdings on the sale of 100% of its banking business in Canada ('HSBC Canada') to Royal Bank of Canada is one of Canada's biggest banks.

U.S.A

DEAL AWARDS winners:

U.S.A. DEAL of the YEAR

WINNER: Blackford Capital acquires Industrial Molding Corporation from NN, Inc and merges with its portfolio company, Davalor Mold Company.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Blackford Capital**, a private equity investment firm headquartered in Grand Rapids, Michigan. **Blaige & Company** served as the exclusive financial advisor to NN, Inc. on the transaction. Founded in 1947, IMC is a leading manufacturer of precision-engineered injection molded industrial components. Founded in 1979, Davalor Mold Company is a manufacturer and distributor of injection molded plastic products.

U.S.A. DEAL of the YEAR • Small Markets

WINNER: Dr. Frank Fechner Plastic Surgery & Med Spa sale to APDerm.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **EdgePoint** served as Dr. Fechner's exclusive financial advisor for the transaction. Dr. Fechner is dual board certified and a highly regarded facial plastic surgeon. APDerm is a leading dermatology and aesthetics platform with over 35 locations across the Northeast.

U.S.A. DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Mid-Markets

WINNER: Cherry Bekaert acquires Kerr Consulting

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Cherry Bekaert** and **Drake Star Partners** acted as the exclusive financial advisor to Kerr Consulting, a business applications and cloud technology provider servicing clients across the United States. Cherry Bekaert is among the largest assurance, tax, and advisory firms in the U.S., serves clients across industries in the U.S. and internationally.

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DEAL AWARDS winners:

U.S.A. DEAL of the YEAR • Mid-Markets

WINNER: Pinnacle Home Care strategic partnership with HCS-Girling.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Hyde Park Capital** advised Pinnacle Home Care, one of the largest home healthcare companies in Florida in its purchase of Brooklyn, New York based HCS-Girling.

U.S.A. DEAL of the YEAR • Large (Size: above \$1 billion)

WINNER: ALDI acquires Winn-Dixie and Harveys Supermarket from Southeastern Grocers, and concurrent sale of Fresco y Más, to Fresco Retail Group. 1.3 bi

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Baker McKenzie** served as transaction counsel to ALDI, one of America's fastest-growing retailers, serving millions of customers across the country; and **FTI Consulting** advisor to Southeastern Grocers on its divestitures.

U.S.A PRIVATE EQUITY

DEAL AWARDS winners:

U.S.A. PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Small (Size: below \$50 million)

WINNER: Argosy Capital acquires Heavy Equipment Colleges of America.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Navagant** advised Heavy Equipment Colleges of America, a leading provider of heavy equipment, crane, and directional drill training.

U.S.A. PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Small Middle Markets (Size: above \$50 to below \$100 million)

WINNER: Southfield Capital investment in Business Development Resources and concurrent acquisition of BxB Media.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Troutman Pepper Locke LLP** and **Dvoark Law Group** as legal advisors to Southfield and BxB Media respectively.

U.S.A. PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Middle Markets (Size: above \$50 to below \$100 million)

WINNER: Madison River Capital investment in JDC Power Systems.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Holland & Knight LLP** represented Madison River Capital, a lower middle-market private equity firm that invests across a variety of industries. JDC Power Systems provides technical services ensuring reliability and efficiency in data center construction and operations.

U.S.A. PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: Laticework Capital Management sale of Xpress Wellness to Sustainable Investing Group at Goldman Sachs Alternatives.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Laticework Capital Management**, a growth-oriented private equity firm focused exclusively in the healthcare industry. Xpress is a rural healthcare platform providing a range of high-quality, affordable, and convenient healthcare services to medically underserved communities.

U.S.A. PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: Mayfair Capital Partners sale of Poly-Wood to an investor group led by Arsenal Capital Partners in partnership with BayPine LP.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Piper Sandler** acted as lead financial advisor to POLYWOOD, a vertically integrated manufacturer of recycled HDPE outdoor living products. More than 30 years ago, POLYWOOD was the first to create all-weather outdoor living products using recycled plastics.

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AMERICAS DISTRESSED M&A

DEAL AWARDS winners:

DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Small Markets

WINNER: Soft Surroundings Holdings sale of assets to affiliates of Coldwater Creek and Gordon Brothers Group.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **SSG Capital Advisors** served as the investment banker and **Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP**, counsel to Soft Surroundings Holdings on sale of assets pursuant to a Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. And, and **Province** as a financial advisor to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors. Soft Surroundings is a lifestyle brand and omni-channel retailer of women's apparel and accessories.

DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Lower Middle Markets

WINNER: BowFlex sale to Johnson Health Tech Retail, a subsidiary of Johnson Health Tech.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **FTI Consulting** as restructuring financial advisor and **FTI Capital Advisors** served as investment banker to BowFlex, and **Province** as a financial advisor to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors. Vancouver-based BowFlex is at-home fitness equipment company at home fitness equipment company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection to facilitate a sale of the company's assets.

DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Middle Markets

WINNER: Eiger BioPharmaceuticals sale of Avexitide assets to Amylyx Pharmaceuticals and sale of Zokinvy® (lonafarnib) to Sentylnl.

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **SSG Capital Advisors** served as the investment banker on the sale Eiger BioPharmaceuticals clinical assets effectuated through a Chapter 11 Section 363 process in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas; and **Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP** represented Sentylnl Therapeutics, U.S.-based biopharmaceutical company wholly owned by Zydus Lifesciences in the acquisition of Zokinvy® (lonafarnib) program where Sentylnl served as the "stalking horse bidder".

DISTRESSED M&A DEAL of the YEAR • Large Middle Markets

WINNER: EOS Hospitality acquires William Vale Hotel. 177

Presented to Deal Team Winners: **Herrick, Feinstein LLP** served as legal counsel to debtor Wythe Berry Fee Owner in chapter 11 proceeding involving the William Vale Hotel, a luxury hotel in Brooklyn; and **A&G Real Estate Partners**, national advisory firm represented luxury William Vale Hotel in Brooklyn's Williamsburg neighborhood following a three-year ownership restructuring and litigation process to stalking horse bidder EOS Hospitality.

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DEAL AWARDS *winners:*

Consumer Sub-Sectors:

CONSUMER DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Professional Plumbers Group sale to Sterling Infrastructure.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Caddo Lake Capital** exclusive M&A advisor to Professional Plumbers Group, a leading provider of plumbing services for residential home builders.

FOOD & BEVERAGE DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: McCarthy Capital investment in Omaha Steaks.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Koley Jessen** represented Omaha Steaks, the nation's largest direct response marketer of premium beef and gourmet foods.

WELLNESS & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Valesco Industries acquires Earthlite from Branford Castle Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **CIBC US Middle Market Investment Banking** advised Earthlite, a provider of high-quality wellness equipment along with a suite of complementary products for the spa and massage markets.

Industrials, Energy & Commercial Sub-Sectors:

COMMERCIAL SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Page acquires David Brody Bond.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Chamberlain Hrdlicka** represented Page, a leading multidisciplinary design, architecture and engineering firm.

ENERGY & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Motiva Enterprises Sale of 25 liquid energy terminals to Global Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Motiva Enterprises**, a Houston, Texas headquartered company that refines, distributes, and markets petroleum products throughout the Americas.

GOV.TECH & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: AstreaX Inc. and Aura Solutions (collectively AstreaX sale to DC Capital Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Capstone Partners** advised AstreaX, a provider of software development and implementation services for government modernization technologies.

INDUSTRIALS DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Integrity Pump & Motor has been recapitalized by Compass Group Equity Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **EdgePoint** served as the exclusive financial advisor to Integrity Pump & Motor, a manufacturer of large, industrial water pumps, specializing in custom vertical and submersible turbine pumps.

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DEAL AWARDS *winners:*

MANUFACTURING DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Garner Industries sale to ShoreView.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Bridgepoint Investment Banking** acted as the exclusive financial advisor and **Koley Jessen** as legal advisor to Garner Industries, a manufacturer and supplier of level-measurement sensors, custom injection molder with a range of fabrication capabilities.

Healthcare Sub-Sectors:

HEALTHCARE DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Cardiology Physicians partnership with US Health Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Westcove Partners** acted as the exclusive financial advisor to Cardiology Physicians largest cardiology provider in Newark and Wilmington.

HEALTH SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Cornerstone Specialty Network combination with Provider Network Holdings, a portfolio company of Waud Capital Partners.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Provident Healthcare Partners** advised Cornerstone Specialty Network, an independent community oncology network, delivering educational resources, research and data services; and **Goodwin Procter LLP** as legal advisor to Waud Capital Partners.

PHARMA & DEVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: H.I.G. Capital carve-out acquisition of the Spine Division of ZimVie.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **H.I.G. Capital**, a leading global alternative investment firm purchase of the Spine Division, renamed Highridge Medical, a medical device company focused on designing and commercializing products and solutions for the treatment of patients suffering from spine disorders.

Tech & Business Services Sub-Sectors:

BUSINESS SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: ITR Economics on its sale to Crowe LLP.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Dvorak Law Group** represented ITR Economics, the oldest privately held, continuously operating economic research and consulting firm.

IT DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: DocuSign acquires Lexion.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Fenwick & West LLP** represented DocuSign, a broad cloud-based software suite that enables users to automate the agreement process and legally binding e-signatures.

HR & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

WINNER: Canadian Payroll Services (CPS) sale to Vensure Employer Solutions.

Presented to Deal Team Winner: **Generational Equity** advised CPS, a trusted partner for international businesses seeking to navigate the complexities of hiring and managing talent in Canada.

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