



## Mergers and Acquisitions

Our clients benefit from a leading global M&A practice that has, for the eleventh consecutive year, acted on more M&A transactions than any other law firm. Our experience allows us to execute cross border global deals seamlessly while supporting you across all stages of the transaction and offering you cost-effective, pragmatic business solutions.

### Global leader in M&A

- For the eleventh consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking globally for overall M&A deal volume according to the 2020 *Mergermarket* league tables. Over the last decade, we have handled more than 5,000 reported M&A transactions globally, valued at a total of more than US\$1 trillion. These results consolidate DLA Piper's position as a leading global legal advisor.
- Our clients benefit from timely, pragmatic and commercial approach to problem solving that adds value to their business and enables transactions to come to a successful conclusion for all parties.

### Global reach

- Supported by over 1,000 corporate lawyers globally, we carefully select teams for each specific transaction. This allows us to handle all aspects of complex domestic and cross-border corporate transactions.
- With local lawyers on the ground, we have the ability to flag potential pitfalls in each country, advise on cultural differences and nuances, offer vital auxiliary advice in such areas as employment and competition law and manage even the most demanding due diligence exercise.

### Supporting your needs

- All our lawyers are aligned to industry sectors. We understand the internal and external pressures that our clients face throughout a transaction and the industry-specific issues critical to the success of a deal. We guide our clients through every stage of a deal-from due diligence and structuring, to negotiation and preparation of deal documents, to post-transaction transition and post-merger integration.
- M&A activities unavoidably affect other areas of company law, such as employment, pensions, tax, financial services regulation and corporate governance. Our deal teams include practitioners from these and other areas of law to address all aspects of a deal.

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- Merger Control

## CAPABILITES

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We help our clients with:

- public and private M&A;
- divisional or asset sales;
- distressed company deals through bankruptcy or other structures;
- cross-border transactions;
- various joint ventures and strategic alliances;
- post-merger integration.

## EXPERIENCE

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- Advising Accel-KKR on all aspects relating to its NZD\$140 million acquisition of the Seequent Group.
- Advising BASF in the context of the acquisition of Solvay's polyamide business.
- Advising HCL Technologies on its USD1.8 billion acquisition of a software portfolio from IBM.
- Advising a consortium comprising Link Group, Commonwealth Bank of Australia and Morgan Stanley Infrastructure on its USD1.6 billion acquisition of digital property conveyancing company PEXA.
- Advising NEC Corporation on the acquisition of KMD A/S from Advent International Corporation and Sampension KP Livsforsikring A/S.
- Advising Reece Limited on its USD1.44 billion acquisition of Morsco Inc., a US distributor of commercial and residential plumbing, waterworks and HVAC supplies.
- Advising Ineos Enterprises on its USD1.1 billion acquisition of Ashland Global Holdings' composites business.
- Advising BTIG as financial advisor to PAO TMK, a Russian manufacturer of steel pipe, on its USD1.2 billion sale of IPSCO Tubulars Inc. to Tenaris S.A.
- Advising CIE Automotive on its USD755 million acquisition of Inteva Roof Systems, a US-based designer and manufacturer of car sunroofs.
- Advising Haymaker Acquisition Corp., a publicly traded special purpose acquisition company (SPAC), on its USD850 million business combination with OneSpaWorld.
- Advising a consortium comprising Qumei Home Furnishing Group and Huatai Zijin Investment on the USD631 million public tender offer on Ekornes, the largest furniture manufacturer in the Nordic Region.
- Advising John Swire & Sons and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Argent Energy, on the acquisition of Biodiesel Amsterdam, Tankstorage Amsterdam and Tank & truck cleaning Amsterdam from the Amsterdam-based Simadan Group.
- Advising The China Navigation Company on its acquisition of Hamburg Süd's bulk shipping business.
- Advising TA Associates on its joint investment in Aptean, a provider of enterprise resource planning software, with Vista Equity Partners.
- Advising Webjet on its USD173 million acquisition of UAE based Destinations of the World and related fully underwritten entitlement offer.
- Advising Vodafone on its EUR7.2 billion acquisition of Ono, Spain's largest cable operator.
- Advising SolarWinds, a leading provider of powerful and affordable IT management software, on its USD4.6 billion acquisition by Silver Lake Partners and Thoma Bravo, LLC.
- Advising Fosun International and subsidiaries in numerous transactions totalling over USD2 billion.
- Advising Harrison Street Real Estate Capital, LLC on its USD1.9 billion acquisition of Campus Crest Communities, Inc.
- Advising Discovery Communications on its USD1.7 billion acquisition of the SBS broadcasting business in Scandinavia from ProSieben.
- Advising Abengoa on the 100 percent sale of its subsidiary Befesa Medio Ambiente S.A for EUR1.075 billion.
- Advising Arsenal Capital Partners in numerous transactions totalling USD1.5 billion.

- Advising CyrusOne LLC, a developer of enterprise-class, carrier-neutral data centers, on its USD400 million acquisition of Cervalis Holdings LLC.
- Advising Fortescue Metals Group Limited on the sale of a 31 percent interest in the Iron Bridge and Glacier Valley magnetite deposits (equity value of USD1.15 billion).
- Advising Moss Creek Resources, LLC on its USD803 million acquisition of oil and gas assets from Tall City Exploration LLC and Plymouth Petroleum, LLC.
- Advising W. P. Carey Inc. on its merger with Corporate Property Associates 16 for USD4 billion.
- Advising Etihad Airways on its USD600 million strategic partnership with Indian airline Jet Airways, the first Foreign Direct Investment by an overseas airline.

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### **Caveat Emptor in UK merger control: Record fine highlights the non-filing risks for buyers**

24 August 2021

The UK Competition and Markets Authority has imposed its largest ever fine for a single infringement relating to non compliance with an initial enforcement order. Serving as a reminder to buyers of the pitfalls of completing a transaction without first obtaining UK merger clearance.

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#### **What is a SPAC? The basics, when you are contemplating going public**

15 July 2021

For Latin American companies, a business combination with a SPAC may be an attractive alternative to a traditional IPO or direct listing.

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#### **Democrats reintroduce Climate Risk Disclosure Act**

27 April 2021

The bill aims to help companies and investors assess their exposure to climate-change risk and to push companies to address their contributions to climate change.

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#### **SEC interim final amendments signal stricter regulation on Chinese and other emerging market companies**

29 March 2021

Under the new requirements, certain companies must establish that they are not owned or controlled by a foreign government entity and must disclose any foreign government influence.

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#### **Episode 3: Collaboration and corporate venturing in the financial services industry**

24 March 2021

#### **THE DLA PIPER FINANCIAL SERVICES PODCAST**

In this episode, partners Anthony Day, Chris Arnold and Michaël Heene discuss the transformation of the traditional model of retail banks and how the pandemic has expedited this change. The evolution of the banking and fintech ecosystems through investment, collaboration and other partnerships, is also examined.

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## **Selling the company: A practical guide for directors and officers**

23 February 2021

Announcing our new publication.

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## **FTC announces annual revisions to HSR Act thresholds**

1 February 2021

For the first time in a number of years, the new thresholds are slightly lower than the previous ones, reflecting a corresponding decrease in the GNP.

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## **IRS finalizes regulations on carried interest recharacterization rule: Welcome clarifications, key takeaways**

20 January 2021

Many of the significant changes address areas of concern to sponsors and managers of private equity and hedge funds, as well as those involved in M&A and in real estate transactions.

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## **Supporting the health of your health system**

4 January 2021

Helping you tend to healthcare system wellness throughout the business life cycle.

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## **Franchisor consolidations after COVID-19**

22 December 2020

Consolidations will continue in an opportunistic way, but will be moderated by a recognition that consolidation can be risky.

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## **Global M&A in 2020: Impact of COVID-19 Report**

30 November 2020

When we published our annual Global M&A Intelligence report in Spring of this year, Asia was in the midst of dealing with COVID-19, Europe was just starting to really feel the impact and for the US, COVID-19 was widely expected to have an impact but the scale and timing was unclear.

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## **CARES Act update: US Treasury Department issues guidance allowing buyers to claim employee retention tax credits if target company had a PPP loan**

18 November 2020

The guidance removes some of the potential loss of the ERC in merger transactions involving entities that received PPP loans.

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## **Contracting for the climate: The Climate Contract Playbook is a trove of climate clauses**

11 November 2020

Contracts have become an essential vehicle for companies seek to mitigate their environmental risks and limit their carbon footprints.

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### **New York Department of Financial Services calls on financial institutions to consider climate change risk**

9 November 2020

Investors increasingly view climate as an area of business risk, and regulators are viewing it as a supervisory risk as well.

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### **Assessing ESG factors in the energy sector**

27 October 2020

#### **ESG HANDBOOKS AND GUIDES**

A reference tool for energy companies as they discuss and refine their ESG programs.

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### **California legislation and recent stockholder derivative suits push for more board diversity**

7 October 2020

California's latest diversity law follows a new wave of shareholder derivative actions attacking the lack of racial diversity in corporate leadership.

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### **New CFIUS regulations change mandatory filing requirements and increase the importance of US export controls**

30 September 2020

The new rule modifies the criteria that trigger a mandatory filing with CFIUS, potentially subjecting more transactions to mandatory CFIUS review.

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### **Sale of Lion Dairy and Drinks – not in Australia's national interest**

27 August 2020

On Tuesday 25 August 2020, the Treasurer of Australia announced that the proposed sale of Lion Dairy and Drinks Pty Ltd (Lion Dairy) to China Mengniu Dairy Company Limited (China Mengniu) would not be within Australia's "national interest", effectively blocking the transaction. This article discusses the ramifications of the decision and how they could impact on foreign investment in Australia.

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### **Release of exposure draft legislation for major reforms to Australia's Foreign Investment Framework**

10 August 2020

Many governments around the world have been strengthening their laws relating to foreign investment. Australia is no exception to this development and has just released proposed sweeping reforms to its foreign investment regime. In this article, we provide a high level overview of the key proposed amendments and our thoughts on how some of those proposals are likely to affect foreign investment into Australia.

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## CFIUS encourages public to provide tips and referrals

24 June 2020

The new webpage encourages tips and referrals about non-notified deals, violations of CFIUS mitigation measures, and other matters that raise national security risk.

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## Global M&A Intelligence Report 2020

19 June 2020

For the tenth successive year we were once again number one for global M&A deal volume. We also advised on the most European Private Equity buyout and exit deals in 2019 for the third consecutive year (*Mergermarket*).

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## SEC adopts amendments to required financial disclosures for acquisitions and dispositions of business

29 May 2020

Public companies can utilize the new rules on a voluntary basis effective immediately, so long as they adopt the amendments in their entirety.

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## Merger control: distressed M&A in the time of COVID-19

19 May 2020

### [ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION: NOVEL ISSUES IN A POST-CORONAVIRUS WORLD](#)

A brief overview of the main elements of the failing firm defense.

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## Material adverse changes in light of COVID-19

18 May 2020

Parties in M&A deals that have not yet signed can take steps to protect themselves.

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## Ending the inevitable battle over whether the estate should assert claims: The case for independent fiduciary investigations

6 May 2020

An effective mechanism for investigating whether claims should be pursued against the debtor on behalf of the bankruptcy estate.

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## Israel Group News May 2020

4 May 2020

### [ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

Providing access to valuable business resources in real time.

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## US securities regulators focus on China and emerging markets: Further risk and disclosure considerations are necessary

4 May 2020

Key takeaways for China-based US-listed companies.

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## COVID-19: Critical due diligence considerations for M&A, financing and strategic corporate transactions in the retail industry

29 April 2020

Parties to retail-related transactions must consider unprecedented issues.

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## Declaration and payment of dividends in a time of economic uncertainty

23 April 2020

Delaware case law provides guidance for boards facing challenging economic pressure regarding dividends.

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## Strengthening franchise systems post COVID-19: Strategic acquisitions

23 April 2020

### FRANCAST

For franchise companies looking for strategic opportunities, a discussion of transaction structures.

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## Private equity buyer due diligence and representations and warranties insurance considerations

9 April 2020

Considerations about expansions to standard due diligence and the evolving impact on R&W insurance.

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## The barbarians are coming ... time for public companies to reinforce the gate

2 April 2020

While it is far too early to understand or evaluate the true impact that the COVID-19 outbreak may have on the M&A market, for so long as market prices remain depressed, public companies are encouraged to remain cognizant of the potential threat of coercive takeover attempts.

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## Australian Government increases scrutiny on foreign investment as part of response to COVID-19

31 March 2020

### OVERVIEW

- Monetary screening threshold reduced to \$0 for all foreign investments under the FATA
- Timetables for new and existing applications to be extended up to 6 months
- Priority will be given to applications for investments that support Australian business and jobs so, where applicable, this should be

highlighted in applications to FIRB

- Transactions signed prior to 10:30pm on Sunday, 29 March not impacted by changes

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## **COVID-19: Getting your cross-border deal done and documents notarized and legalized in the age of coronavirus (United States)**

27 March 2020

A summary of recent changes to the notarization, apostille and legalization by embassy processes in the United States.

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## **Managing COVID-19 risks in corporate deals**

26 March 2020

The COVID-19 global pandemic undoubtedly creates a challenging environment for corporate deals. In this note, we look at the likely impact on M&A transactions and the steps that can be taken to manage the risks arising from the pandemic.

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## **DLA Piper obtains approval of first coronavirus-impacted bankruptcy sale**

25 March 2020

DLA Piper's Restructuring practice is at the forefront of the intersection of COVID-19 and bankruptcy.

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## **COVID-19's (likely) impact on the US M&A market**

19 March 2020

Certain considerations that participants in the M&A market may wish to keep in mind as we progress through these unprecedented times.

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## **Coronavirus (COVID-19): ten practical steps for global employers, right now (Global)**

13 March 2020

These steps are not based on laws of any one jurisdiction but rather are designed to provide a global employer with themes to consider, understanding that what may be suitable for each employer may vary greatly depending on the employer's unique circumstances.

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## **FTC comments and workshop reinforce increased focus on vertical mergers**

13 March 2020

Vertical mergers are in the crosshairs.

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## **Healthcare market proves strong as investors embrace new technological advancements**

3 March 2020

Takeaways from the JPMorgan panel, "Healthcare M&A Exits: Who's Buying, What Are They Buying, and Why?"



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## When is a deal *actually* a deal under Texas law? The Texas Supreme Court weighs in again

3 March 2020

For would-be buyers and sellers, the key takeaways are simple, but important.

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## FTC issues 6(b) orders to tech companies – healthcare companies could be next

14 February 2020

The agency seeks information on unreported acquisitions with the goal of deepening its understanding of the competitive tech sector landscape.

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## Israel Group News February 2020

10 February 2020

### [ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

In this issue, our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

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## Supreme Court of Texas affirms: no surprise or accidental partnerships under Texas law

31 January 2020

The opinion removes significant uncertainty for parties during the exploratory stages of joint ventures.

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## SEC proposes changes to "accredited investor" definition

6 January 2020

The proposal would significantly impact many private securities offerings conducted in the US.

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## Supporting the health of your health system

6 January 2020

Guidance to help tend to healthcare system wellness throughout the business life cycle.

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## Big or small, it's all hardball: merger enforcement actions *below* the HSR threshold - top ten tips in non-reportable transactions

23 JUN 2014

No anti-competitive deal is immune from challenge, even if it is small - 10 important points to keep in mind in M&A transactions

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## SEC lifts general solicitation ban, proposes changes to Reg D, approves “bad actor” rules

19 JUL 2013

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## SEC begins Dodd-Frank rulemaking with new open process

28 Jul 2010

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## Events

### Previous

#### SPACs, Robinhood, Bears, Oh My! Innovations old and new: What's happening on Wall Street

21 October, 2021 | 10:00 am - 11:00 am PDT

Webinar

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#### Virtual M&A Academy 2021

27 - 30 September 2021

Webinar

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#### 2021 Baltimore Dealmakers Conference

9 June 2021 | 8:30 - 3:00 EDT

Webinar

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#### Reverse Mergers and SPACs: Are APOs the New Norm for Biotechs Going Public?

18 March 2021 | 9:00 - 10:00 PT

Webinar

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#### Planning for an Uncertain World

16 November 2020

TechLaw Event Series

Webinar

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#### M&A and startups: Born out of a crisis

21 September 2020  
Webinar

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### **Playbook for managing novel and enhanced M&A risks in the new normal**

15 September 2020 | 9:00 - 10:15 ET  
Webinar

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### **TechLaw**

31 July 2020  
TechLaw Event Series  
Webinar

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### **TechLaw**

5 March 2020  
TechLaw Event Series  
Sydney

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### **TechLaw**

3 March 2020  
TechLaw Event Series  
Melbourne

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### **J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference**

14 January 2020  
J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference  
San Francisco

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13 January 2020  
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### **Delegation of Chinese Investors and Entrepreneurs from Sichuan, China**

19 December 2019  
East Palo Alto

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## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper advises Sonnedix in sale of Puerto Rico solar operations to ArcLight's Infinigen platform**

12 November 2021

DLA Piper represented Sonnedix, a leading global solar independent power producer (IPP), in the sale of its interest in the "Puerto Rico solar operations" to ArcLight Capital Partners' Infinigen renewables platform.

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### **DLA Piper advises Transtelco in its acquisition of Mexican telecommunications operator Maxcom**

12 November 2021

DLA Piper represented Transtelco Holdings, Inc. and its Mexican subsidiary, Transtelco Acquisition III, S. de C.V., in its acquisition of Mexican telecommunications operator Maxcom Telecomunicaciones, S.A.B. de C.V. and in its tender offer to buy Maxcom's outstanding notes.

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### **DLA Piper advises Universal Technical Institute in acquisition of MIAT College of Technology**

3 November 2021

DLA Piper represented Universal Technical Institute, a leading provider of transportation sector technical training, in its acquisition of MIAT College of Technology, a provider of vocational and technical training in high-demand fields.

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### **Campos Mello Advogados ranked in *Chambers Brazil* guides**

29 October 2021

DLA Piper today announced that Campos Mello Advogados (CMA), which has a cooperation agreement with DLA Piper, received multiple accolades in the *Chambers Brazil: Industries, Sectors and Regions*, *Chambers Brazil: Contentious* and *Chambers Brazil: Transactional 2021* guides.

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### **DLA Piper advises Agena Biosciences in its sale to Mesa Labs**

27 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Agena Biosciences, Inc. in its sale to Mesa Labs (NASDAQ:MLAB), a global leader in the design and manufacturing of critical quality control solutions for the pharmaceutical, healthcare and medical device industries.

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### **DLA Piper advises Navitas Semiconductor in SPAC closing with Live Oak Acquisition Corp. II**

20 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Navitas Semiconductor, the industry leader in gallium nitride power integrated circuits (GaN power ICs), in the recent closing of its business combination with special purpose acquisition company Live Oak Acquisition Corp. II.

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### **DLA Piper advises Notion in its acquisition of Automate.io**

20 October 2021

DLA Piper represented San Francisco-based collaboration software company Notion in its acquisition of Automate.io, a startup that helps integrate software tools and automate workflows.

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## **DLA Piper advises Dundee Partners in its US\$1.1 billion acquisition, with KKR, of Kobalt Capital's Fund II music rights portfolio**

19 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Dundee Partners, the investment office of the Hendel family, in its acquisition, together in a joint venture with global investment firm KKR, of the KMR Music Royalties II portfolio from Kobalt Capital Limited for approximately US\$1.1 billion.

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## **DLA Piper advises Finvox in its acquisition by Capitalizarme.com**

13 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Finvox, a Chile-based fintech company focused on the real estate industry, in its acquisition by Capitalizarme.com, a proptech company.

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## **DLA Piper advises Masivian in its US\$50 million sale to Route Mobile**

12 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Masivian S.A.S. in its US\$50 million sale to Route Mobile (UK) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Route Mobile Limited, one of the leading cloud communication platform service providers to enterprises, over-the-top (OTT) players and mobile network operators.

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## **DLA Piper advises Kadmon Holdings in its acquisition by Sanofi**

14 September 2021

DLA Piper is representing Kadmon Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: KDMN) in its pending acquisition by global biopharmaceutical company Sanofi S.A. (NASDAQ: SNY) for approximately US\$1.9 billion.

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## **DLA Piper partner Jeff Baglio named a 2021 BTI M&A Client Service All-Star**

9 September 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that BTI Consulting Group has recognized partner Jeff Baglio for providing superior service to clients in its 2021 BTI M&A Client Service All-Star report.

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## **DLA Piper advises Macquarie Asset Management in establishment of a road infrastructure investment fund with Odinsa**

7 September 2021

DLA Piper Martinez Beltran represented Macquarie Asset Management in the establishment of a strategic alliance between Macquarie Infrastructure Partners V, an infrastructure fund managed by Macquarie Asset Management, and Odinsa, the road and airport concession subsidiary of Grupo Argos, for the creation of an investment platform that will manage Odinsa's current road assets in Colombia with a consolidated valuation of US\$1.15 billion.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers and practices ranked in *Chambers Latin America 2022***

30 August 2021

DLA Piper today announced that the firm received 38 individual lawyer rankings and 15 firm rankings in the *Chambers Latin America 2022* guide.

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## **Over 55 of the Nation's Leading Law Firms Respond to Investment Company Act Lawsuits Targeting the SPAC Industry**

30 August 2021

Recently a purported shareholder of certain special purpose acquisition companies (SPACs) initiated derivative lawsuits asserting that the SPACs are investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940, because proceeds from their initial public offerings are invested in short-term treasuries and qualifying money market funds.

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## **DLA Piper advises SmartRent in US\$2.2 billion business combination with Fifth Wall Acquisition Corp. I**

25 August 2021

DLA Piper represented SmartRent.com Inc. in its previously announced business combination with Fifth Wall Acquisition Corp. I.

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## **DLA Piper advises Paradox in its acquisition of Traitify**

23 August 2021

DLA Piper represented Paradox in its acquisition of Traitify.

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## **DLA Piper recognized as a top law firm for M&A, named a Powerhouse firm for cross-border deals by BTI Consulting Group**

23 August 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it was recognized as a top law firm for M&A in BTI Consulting Group's *BTI M&A Outlook 2022: A Whole New World of M&A* report and was named a "Powerhouse" in the report's list of Law Firms Best at Cross-Border Deals.

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## **DLA Piper advises AEye Inc from Series A through SPAC Closing with CF Finance Acquisition Corp. III**

18 August 2021

DLA Piper represented AEye, Inc. from its Series A investment through the recent closing and public listing on the NASDAQ via a business combination with CF Finance Acquisition Corp. III.

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## **DLA Piper advises Parsec in its US\$320 million sale to Unity**

12 August 2021

DLA Piper is representing Parsec in its sale to Unity (NYSE: U) for US\$320 million.

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## **DLA Piper advises Hinduja Global Solutions on USD1.2 billion sale of its healthcare business**

11 August 2021

DLA Piper is advising Hinduja Global Solutions Limited (HGS) on the sale of its healthcare solutions business to Baring Private Equity Asia, in a transaction valued at USD1.2 billion subject to closing adjustments.

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## **DLA Piper advises Preqin in its acquisition of Colmore AG**

11 August 2021

DLA Piper represented Preqin, a leading provider of alternative assets data, analytics and insights, in its acquisition of Colmore AG.

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## **Oduvaldo Lara Júnior joins Campos Mello Advogados as a partner in the Corporate Law and Mergers & Acquisitions practice**

11 August 2021

DLA Piper announced today that Oduvaldo Lara Júnior has joined Campos Mello Advogados (CMA) as a partner in the Corporate Law and Mergers & Acquisitions practice.

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## **DLA Piper advises Foot Locker in US\$360 million acquisition of atmos**

4 August 2021

DLA Piper represented Foot Locker, Inc. in its recent agreement to acquire Text Trading Company, K.K., which owns and licenses the atmos brand.

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## **DLA Piper advises Opportunity Financial (OppFi) in business combination with FG New America Acquisition Corp.**

29 July 2021

DLA Piper represented Opportunity Financial, LLC in its business combination with special purpose acquisition company FG New America Acquisition Corp.

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## **DLA Piper advises insightsoftware on its acquisition of Australia-Based Bi and CPM platform Calumo**

23 July 2021

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised insightsoftware, a global provider of financial reporting and performance management solutions for the Office of the CFO on the acquisition of Australia-based business intelligence and corporate performance management (CPM) platform CALUMO.

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## **DLA Piper advises Learning Technologies Group on US\$394 million acquisition of GP Strategies**

21 July 2021

DLA Piper has advised Learning Technologies Group on its acquisition of GP Strategies Corporation.

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## **DLA Piper advises Fast Radius in US\$1.4 billion SPAC deal with ECP Environmental Growth Opportunities Corp.**

19 July 2021

DLA Piper represented Fast Radius, Inc., a cloud manufacturing and digital supply chain company, in its business combination with special purpose acquisition company ECP Environmental Growth Opportunities Corp. (NASDAQ: ENNV), which will result in Fast Radius becoming a publicly listed company.

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### **DLA Piper advises Lionheart Acquisition Corp. II in US\$32.6 billion SPAC deal with MSP Recovery**

13 July 2021

DLA Piper represented special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) Lionheart Acquisition Corp. II. in its agreement to merge with MSP Recovery LLC.

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### **DLA Piper advises FastMed in its acquisition of CareSpot and MedPost Urgent Care**

12 July 2021

DLA Piper represented FastMed in its recent acquisition of Tenet Healthcare's urgent care platform, which includes 87 CareSpot and MedPost clinics in Arizona, California, Florida and Texas.

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### **DLA Piper advises Athena Technology Acquisition Corp. in a US\$2 billion SPAC deal with Heliogen, Inc.**

8 July 2021

DLA Piper represented Athena Technology Acquisition Corp. in connection with the negotiation of a definitive agreement for a business combination with Heliogen, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises MKS Instruments on USD6.5bn acquisition of Carlyle-backed Atotech**

2 July 2021

DLA Piper has advised MKS Instruments, Inc., a global provider of technologies that enable advanced processes and improve productivity, on its acquisition of Atotech Limited, a leading process chemicals technology company and a market leader in advanced electroplating solutions, backed by buyout firm Carlyle Group Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Xeneta on USD28.5m Series C funding**

30 June 2021

DLA Piper has advised Xeneta, a leading Norway-based ocean and air freight rate benchmarking platform and container shipping index, on the successful completion of an USD28.5 million Series C financing round at over a USD130 million valuation.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ted Segal in acquisition of majority stake in Houston Dynamo FC and Houston Dash**

25 June 2021

DLA Piper represented Ted Segal in the acquisition of a majority ownership stake in Major League Soccer's Houston Dynamo and the Houston Dash of the National Women's Soccer League.

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### **DLA Piper lawyers and practices ranked in latest edition of *The Legal 500***



17 June 2021

DLA Piper announced today that the firm received 42 individual lawyer rankings and 49 firm rankings in *The Legal 500 United States* 2021 guide.

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### **DLA Piper advises CareMax in business combination with Deerfield Healthcare Technology Acquisitions Corp.**

18 June 2021

DLA Piper represented CareMax Medical Group, L.L.C. in its business combination, along with IMC Medical Group Holdings LLC, with special purpose acquisition company Deerfield Healthcare Technology Acquisitions Corp. to create a publicly traded technology-enabled care platform providing value-based care and chronic disease management to seniors.

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### **DLA Piper wins *Mergermarket* North America M&A Awards**

17 June 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it was named Legal Advisory Firm of the Year in two categories at *Mergermarket's* annual North America M&A Awards.

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### **DLA Piper advises Katapult in merger with FinServ Acquisition Corp.**

15 June 2021

DLA Piper represented Katapult Holdings, Inc. in its merger with special purpose acquisition company FinServ Acquisition Corp.

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### **DLA Piper advises GigCapital2 in business combinations with UpHealth Holdings and Cloudbreak Health**

9 June 2021

DLA Piper represented GigCapital2, Inc., a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) focused on the technology, media and telecommunications (TMT) industries, in its business combinations with UpHealth Holdings, Inc. and Cloudbreak Health, LLC.

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### **DLA Piper advises Greencoat Capital in acquisition of majority stake in 405-megawatt wind portfolio**

1 June 2021

DLA Piper represented Greencoat Capital in the acquisition of a 55 percent cash equity stake in two US wind farms from EDP Renewables.

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### **DLA Piper lawyers and practices ranked in latest Chambers edition**

1 June 2021

DLA Piper today announced that the firm received 216 lawyer rankings and 94 firm rankings in *Chambers USA's* 2021 guide.

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### **DLA Piper advises SparkPost in its US\$600 million acquisition by MessageBird**

17 May 2021

DLA Piper represented SparkPost in its acquisition by MessageBird, a leading global omnichannel communication platform, for US\$600 million.

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### **Three DLA Piper partners named to *The Deal* Top Rising Stars: Class of 2021 list**

17 May 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Corporate partners Stephen Alicanti, Forrest Neal and Patrick O'Malley have been named to *The Deal* Top Rising Stars: Class of 2021 list highlighting "exemplary new M&A-focused partners at top US law firms."

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### **DLA Piper advises Centroid Investment Partners in its agreement to acquire TaylorMade Golf Company**

11 May 2021

DLA Piper represented Seoul-based private equity firm Centroid Investment Partners in its agreement to acquire TaylorMade Golf Company, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Synergy Sports in its sale to Sportradar**

11 May 2021

DLA Piper represented Synergy Sports in its sale to Sportradar.

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### **DLA Piper shortlisted for five *Mergermarket* North America M&A Awards**

4 May 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it has been shortlisted for five *Mergermarket* North America M&A Awards.

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### **DLA Piper advises Concord in acquisition of Downtown's copyright portfolio**

27 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Concord, a leading independent music company, in connection with the acquisition by a Concord affiliate of Downtown's iconic portfolio of 145,000 owned and co-published music copyrights.

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### **DLA Piper advises Mitsui Sumitomo and MS Amlin in acquisition of International Transportation Marine Office**

26 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Tokyo-based Mitsui Sumitomo and its UK-based subsidiary MS Amlin in an agreement by MS Amlin to acquire International Transportation and Marine Office.

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### **DLA Piper advises Six One Commodities Global LLC in acquisitions of Vega Energy Partners and WGL Midstream**

26 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Six One Commodities Global LLC, a natural gas and power merchant, in its acquisitions of Vega Energy Partners, Ltd.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ekata in its US\$850 million acquisition by Mastercard**

21 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Ekata, Inc. in its agreement to be acquired by Mastercard for US\$850 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises Cofense in acquisition of Cyberfish**

12 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Cofense in its recent acquisition of Cyberfish, a provider of next-generation phishing protection powered by Computer Vision and advanced machine learning technology.

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### **DLA Piper advises Orbis Operations in its acquisition by McNally Capital**

12 April 2021

DLA Piper represented Orbis Operations in its recent acquisition by McNally Capital.

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### **DLA Piper advises Wipro Limited on USD1.45 billion acquisition of Capco**

29 March 2021

DLA Piper has advised Wipro Limited, a leading global information technology, consulting and business process services company, on all non-US and non-India aspects of the USD1.45 billion acquisition of Capco.

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### **DLA Piper named a top three law firm for combined M&A, venture capital, private equity deal volume by *PitchBook***

4 March 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm ranked among the top three most active law firms for combined global deal volume in M&A, venture capital and private equity in 2020, according to *PitchBook*.

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### **DLA Piper advises Manulife on its acquisition of 39 Martin Place**

29 January 2021

DLA Piper has advised international financial services group Manulife Financial Corporation on its 50/50 joint venture with Investa Commercial Property Fund ("ICPF") to acquire the right to a 100% interest in 39 Martin Place, Sydney from Macquarie Group Limited (ASX: MQG).

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### **DLA Piper advises Emerett in its sale to BlackHorse Solutions**

25 January 2021

DLA Piper represented Emerett, LLC in its sale to BlackHorse Solutions, a technology solutions provider whose mission is to solve challenging problems for customers in the defense, intelligence and law enforcement communities.

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### **DLA Piper advises Haemonetics in its acquisition of Cardiva Medical**

21 January 2021

DLA Piper represented Haemonetics Corporation (NYSE: HAE), a global medical technology company focused on delivering innovative

medical solutions to drive better patient outcomes, in its acquisition of Cardiva Medical, Inc., an industry-leading manufacturer of vascular closure systems based in Santa Clara, California, for US\$475 million at closing and up to an additional US\$35 million in contingent consideration based on sales growth.

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### **DLA Piper advises Elisa on the acquisition of camLine Group**

18 January 2021

DLA Piper has advised the Finnish telecommunications and digital services company Elisa on the acquisition of German-based industrial software provider camLine Group.

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### **DLA Piper advises Qualcomm in US\$1.4 billion acquisition of NUVIA**

15 January 2021

DLA Piper represented Qualcomm Technologies, Inc., a subsidiary of Qualcomm Incorporated, in the acquisition of NUVIA, a world-class CPU and technology design team, with industry-leading expertise in high performance processors, for approximately US\$1.4 billion before working capital and other adjustments.

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### **DLA Piper advises Riverwood Capital and Forecast5 Analytics in the sale of Forecast5 to Frontline Education**

13 January 2021

DLA Piper represented Riverwood Capital, a technology-focused growth equity firm, and Forecast5 Analytics, a provider of advanced data analytics software designed specifically for the public sector, in the sale of Forecast5 to Frontline Education, a leading provider of school administration software and services purpose-built for K-12.

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### **DLA Piper tops list for global M&A deal volume for 11th straight year**

7 January 2021

For the 11th consecutive year, DLA Piper was the highest-ranked legal advisor in the world for M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket's* league tables.

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### **DLA Piper advises in Bel Air Investment Advisors' sale to Hightower**

5 January 2021

DLA Piper acts as lead counsel to the principals of wealth management advisory firm Bel Air Investment Advisors in its sale to Hightower, a wealth management firm that provides investment, financial and retirement planning services to individuals, foundations and family offices, as well as 401(k) consulting and cash management services to corporations.

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### **DLA Piper advises investor Ira Lubert in agreement with Bally's Corporation to construct and manage Pennsylvania casino**

5 January 2021

DLA Piper represented private equity investor Ira Lubert in a US\$120 million agreement with Bally's Corporation to jointly design, develop, construct and manage a Category 4 licensed casino in Pennsylvania.

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## **DLA Piper represents LCR Hallcrest LLC in sale to SpotSee**

28 December 2020

DLA Piper represented LCR Hallcrest LLC, Hallcrest Group Limited, Themographic Measurements Limited, and Enterprise One, Inc. in its sale to Harbour Group and its subsidiary ShockWatch, Inc., doing business as SpotSee.

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## **DLA Piper advises BASF in the sale of its Kankakee, Illinois, manufacturing site and certain associated business divisions to One Rock Capital Partners**

22 December 2020

DLA Piper represented BASF Corporation in the sale of its manufacturing site in Kankakee, Illinois, and the associated businesses of vegetable-oil-based raw material sterols and natural vitamin E, anionic surfactants and esters produced there to an affiliate of One Rock Capital Partners, LLC, a US-based private equity firm.

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## **DLA Piper advises Electrocomponents in its US\$145 million acquisition of Synovos, Inc.**

14 December 2020

DLA Piper represented Electrocomponents plc in its US\$145 million acquisition of Synovos, Inc, an independent integrated supplier providing comprehensive MRO supply chain management services.

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## **DLA Piper advises Exelon in US\$810 million agreement to sell solar business to Brookfield Renewable**

9 December 2020

DLA Piper is representing Exelon Corporation (NASDAQ: EXC) and its subsidiary Exelon Generation Company in the sale of Exelon Generation's solar business to Brookfield Renewable Partners for US\$810 million.

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## **DLA Piper wins TMT Finance M&A Global Telecom Deal of the Year**

8 December 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that they have received the TMT Finance M&A Global Telecom Deal of the Year for their representation of T-Mobile and Deutsche Telekom in the T-Mobile-Sprint merger.

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## **DLA Piper advises Analytical Graphics in its US\$700 million sale to Ansys, Inc.**

3 December 2020

DLA Piper represented Analytical Graphics, Inc. (AGI) in its US\$700 million sale to Ansys, Inc.

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## **DLA Piper advises Open Systems Adaptable Solutions in its acquisition by Aptean**

30 November 2020

DLA Piper represented Open Systems Adaptable Solutions (OSAS) in its recent acquisition by Aptean.

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## **DLA Piper advises Whole Earth Brands in US\$80 million acquisition of Swerve**

12 November 2020

DLA Piper represented Whole Earth Brands, Inc. in its US\$80 million acquisition of Swerve, a rapidly growing manufacturer and marketer of a portfolio of zero sugar, keto-friendly and plant-based sweeteners and baking mixes.

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### **DLA Piper advises Space Capital on investment in technology start-up bliq**

27 October 2020

DLA Piper has advised US venture capital investor Space Capital on its investments in German technology start-up, bliq. The investment was part of bliq's Series Seed 2 financing round.

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### **DLA Piper advises Twin Point Capital in its control investment in Frontpoint Security**

12 October 2020

DLA Piper represented Twin Point Capital in its purchase of a controlling interest in Frontpoint.

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### **DLA Piper advises Haymaker Acquisition Corp. II in business combination with ARKO Holdings and GPM Investments**

9 September 2020

DLA Piper represented Haymaker Acquisition Corp. II in a definitive agreement for a business combination with GPM and ARKO Holdings Ltd.

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### **DLA Piper advises Iberdrola on AUD893 million takeover**

25 August 2020

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Spanish utility giant Iberdrola on its AUD893 million takeover of Infigen Energy (ASX:IFN).

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### **DLA Piper advises AS Roma in its sale to The Friedkin Group for €591 million**

17 August 2020

DLA Piper represented AS Roma SPV, LLC, the majority shareholder of Italian soccer club AS Roma, in the sale of its controlling interest in the team and certain related assets to The Friedkin Group, Inc., in a transaction valued at €591 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises Syngenta on the acquisition of South African Sensako Group**

17 August 2020

DLA Piper has advised Swiss-based Syngenta Group on its acquisition of Sensako Group, a South African seeds company engaged in the breeding and the commercialization of agronomic crops.

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### **DLA Piper advises Heidelberger Druckmaschinen on the sale of MIS software provider CERM**

6 August 2020

DLA Piper has advised Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG (Heidelberg) on the sale of CERM, a global provider of Management Information System (MIS) software for the printing industry, in a Management Buyout (MBO).

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### **DLA Piper advises New Signature in its acquisition by Cognizant**

28 July 2020

DLA Piper represented New Signature in its acquisition by Cognizant.

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### **DLA Piper advises Flightdocs in its acquisition by Aircraft Technical Publishers**

8 July 2020

DLA Piper represented Flightdocs in its acquisition by Aircraft Technical Publishers (ATP).

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### **DLA Piper advises RetireUp in its sale to Tegra118**

15 June 2020

DLA Piper represented RetireUp, a leading provider of retirement planning technology, in its recent sale to Tegra118.

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### **DLA Piper acted for Charlotte's Web in its acquisition of Abacus Health**

11 JUN 2020

On June 11, 2020, Charlotte's Web Holdings, Inc. and Abacus Health Products, Inc. announced the completion of their previously-announced arrangement. Under the terms of the Arrangement, Charlotte's Web acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of Abacus. DLA Piper was pleased to have acted for Charlotte's Web on this transaction.

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### **DLA Piper advises Alliance Residential Company in the sale of its property management business to Greystar Real Estate Partners**

10 June 2020

DLA Piper represented multifamily real estate development and management company Alliance Residential Company in the sale of its property management business to Greystar Real Estate Partners, LLC.

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### **DLA Piper advises Green Courte Partners in its acquisition of four manufactured housing communities**

4 June 2020

DLA Piper represented Green Courte Partners, LLC and its affiliates in the acquisition and financing of a portfolio of four manufactured housing communities located in the greater Rochester, New York, area.

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### **DLA Piper advises Stratos Genomics in its acquisition by Roche**

26 May 2020

DLA Piper represented Seattle-based Stratos Genomics, an early-stage sequencing technology company, in its acquisition by

biotechnology company Roche.

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### **DLA Piper advises Stillfront Group in acquisition of Candywriter**

22 May 2020

DLA Piper represented Stillfront Group in its acquisition of Candywriter, LLC, a mobile game developer and publisher, for US\$74.4 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises WaterSmart Software in its sale to VertexOne**

14 May 2020

DLA Piper represented WaterSmart Software in its recent sale to VertexOne.

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### **DLA Piper advises ArchDaily in its sale to Architonic**

13 May 2020

DLA Piper represented the founders of architecture and construction news website ArchDaily in its recent sale to Architonic, an online database platform for design and architectural products.

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### **DLA Piper lawyers and practices ranked in latest Chambers edition**

8 May 2020

DLA Piper today announced that the firm received 172 lawyer rankings and 71 practice rankings in *Chambers USA's* 2020 guide.

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### **DLA Piper advises HaulHub Technologies in its acquisition of Trelar**

21 April 2020

DLA Piper represented HaulHub Technologies in its acquisition of Trelar Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Haemonetics in its acquisition of enicor GmbH**

8 April 2020

DLA Piper represented Haemonetics Corporation (NYSE: HAE) in its acquisition of enicor GmbH, a Munich, Germany-based privately held manufacturer of a whole blood coagulation testing system known as ClotPro.

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### **DLA Piper advises Rocket Lab on its agreement to acquire Sinclair Interplanetary**

19 March 2020

DLA Piper advised Rocket Lab, a space systems company and the global leader in dedicated small satellite launch, on its agreement to acquire Sinclair Interplanetary.

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### **DLA Piper advises ControlExpert shareholders on the sale of a majority stake to Allianz X**



17 March 2020

16 March 2020 - DLA Piper has advised the minority shareholders of ControlExpert on the sale of a majority stake to Allianz X. ControlExpert will maintain its business model and operational autonomy. Together with Allianz X, the company will focus on further enhancing digitalization and customer focus to achieve growth in Germany as well as in global markets. The transaction is subject to approval by the relevant competition authorities.

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### **DLA Piper advises fintech company Scivantage in its sale to Refinitiv**

11 March 2020

DLA Piper represented Scivantage, a digital wealth management technology company, in its sale to Refinitiv US LLC, a global provider of financial markets data.

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### **DLA Piper advises DT Holdings Corporation in the US\$350 million sale of Docutech to First American**

3 March 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm represented DT Holdings Corporation in Docutech's US\$350 million sale to First American.

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### **DLA Piper advises Stillfront Group in acquisition of Storm8**

2 March 2020

DLA Piper represented Stillfront Group in its acquisition of California mobile gaming studio Storm8 for up to US\$400 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises INTL FCStone Inc. in US\$236 million acquisition of GAIN Capital**

27 February 2020

DLA Piper is representing INTL FCStone Inc. in its US\$236 million acquisition of Gain Capital Holdings, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper only firm in top five for private equity, venture capital and M&A for third consecutive year**

25 February 2020

DLA Piper was the only firm to rank among the top five most active law firms for global deal volume in each of private equity, venture capital and M&A.

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### **James C. Bookhout of DLA Piper listed in *D Magazine's* 2020 Best Lawyers Under 40 list**

7 February 2020

James C. Bookhout was recently named to *D Magazine's* 2020 Best Lawyers Under 40 list, which recognizes outstanding young lawyers in Dallas.

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### **DLA Piper advises Osceola Capital in its acquisition of Healthcents**

14 January 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm represented Osceola Capital in its acquisition of Healthcents, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Visa on US\$5.3 billion acquisition of Plaid**

14 January 2020

DLA Piper served as privacy diligence counsel for Visa in its US\$5.3 billion acquisition of San Francisco-based fintech company Plaid.

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### **DLA Piper advises Resilience360 in its combination with Riskpulse**

10 January 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm represented Resilience360 in its combination with Riskpulse and its related financing from Columbia Capital, Greenspring Associates and DHL.

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### **DLA Piper announces new US Corporate practice sub-group and regional leadership**

10 January 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce several recent changes to the firm's US Corporate practice sub-group and regional leadership.

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### **DLA Piper tops list for global M&A deal volume for tenth straight year**

8 January 2020

For the tenth consecutive year, DLA Piper was the highest ranked legal advisor in the world for M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket's* league tables.

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### **DLA Piper to receive Deal of the Year award from *The M&A Advisor* for its representation of Raven Capital Management in the acquisition of Open Road Films**

2 January 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm will receive a Distressed M&A Deal of the Year award from *The M&A Advisor* for its representation of Raven Capital Management in the acquisition of Open Road Films' library of feature films.

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