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Recent Highlights

- Anchorage Capital Group, a principle stockholder in MGM Studios, in MGM's \$8.45 billion merger with Amazon.
- América Móvil in its \$6.25 billion sale of TracFone to Verizon.
- Tech Data in its \$6 billion sale to Apollo Global Management.
- LATAM Airlines in its \$1.9 billion strategic partnership with Delta, bringing together the leading airlines in North and Latin America for the first time.
- 3M in numerous transactions, including its \$6.7 billion acquisition of Acelity and its \$1 billion acquisition of M*Modal's technology business.
- ESL Investments with respect to its investment in Sears, including its \$5.2 billion acquisition of Sears.
- GiVi Holding (the Versace Family holding company of Gianni Versace S.p.A.) and Donatella Versace in the \$2.13 billion sale of Versace to Michael Kors Holdings.
- Luigi Lavazza in its acquisition of Mars Drinks from Mars.
- Lowe's Companies in its acquisition of Boomerang Commerce's retail analytics platform.
- Google in dozens of M&A transactions, including its acquisitions of Fitbit and Raxium.
- General Mills in its \$8 billion acquisition of Blue Buffalo Pet Products.
- International Flavors & Fragrances in its \$45.4 billion merger with DuPont Nutrition & Biosciences and its \$7.1 billion acquisition of Frutarom.
- Kindred Healthcare in its \$4.1 billion sale to a consortium consisting of TPG Capital, Welsh Carson, and Humana.
- National Amusements (the Redstone family holding company) with respect to its controlling position in CBS and Viacom, including the \$30.5 billion merger of the companies, and litigation regarding CBS's attempt to dilute NAI's voting position.
- Sony Interactive Entertainment in its acquisition of video game developer, Bungie; and Sony Corporation in its investment of \$1 billion to acquire a minority interest in Epic Games.
- Apollo in the acquisition and financing of the Terminals, Solutions & Services business line from Worldline.
- OpenText in its \$6 billion acquisition of Micro Focus.
- American Tower in its strategic U.S. data center partnership with Stonepeak.
- Thales in the combination of its cellular internet of things products business with Telit.
- Summit Health-CityMD in its \$8.9 billion sale to VillageMD.
- Palantir in its joint venture with HD Hyundai for commercializing Palantir's proprietary software platforms in Korea.
- T-Mobile US, in its acquisition of Ka'ena and its subsidiaries and brands: Mint Mobile, Ultra Mobile, and Plum.
- Tempur Sealy in its \$4 billion acquisition of Mattress Firm.

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Cross-Border Deal of the Year (Warburg-backed Allied Universal Security acquires G4S)

The Deal Awards, 2021

Outstanding Deal of the Year (American Tower Acquires CoreSite Realty)

The Deal, 2022

Outstanding Deal of the Year (Amazon Adds Movie Studio MGM for \$8.45 Billion)

The Deal, 2022

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The Legal 500 UK, 2023

M&A Deal of the Year (Euronext Acquisition of Borsa Italiana)

IFLR Europe Awards, 2022

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Law360, 2020

M&A Law Firm of the Year

IFLR Americas Awards, 2020

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China Law & Practice, 2020

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