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**THE M&A ADVISOR ANNOUNCES WINNERS  
OF 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TURNAROUND AWARDS AT PALM BEACH  
FLORIDA GALA**

**PALM BEACH, Fla., March 23, 2010** — [The M&A Advisor](#) announced the winners of the 2010 Turnaround Awards last night at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Turnaround Awards Gala at the Colony Hotel in Palm Beach, Fla. The event was hosted by [Bloomberg TV](#) anchor, Carol Massar.

“The award winners represent the best of the turnaround industry in the past year and earned these honors by standing out in a group of very impressive finalists,” said Roger Aguinaldo, CEO of The M&A Advisor. “Each winner should take pride in their award and the message it sends about the resilience of our industry.”

The Turnaround Awards Gala honored deal-teams, deal-makers, and firms whose activities set the standard for the industry. This year, 99 finalists in 27 categories were chosen. An independent body of experts that span the turnaround and M&A industry determined the ultimate recipients of the awards. Winners were revealed “Academy Awards-style” at the gala.

The M&A Advisor’s 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Turnaround Awards Gala honored excellence in deal-making for transactions over \$10 million in value. The gala is one of the most prestigious and exclusive networking events in the turnaround industry.

**A Complete list of the winners is attached.**

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## **Winners of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Turnaround Awards**

### **Major Deal Categories:**

#### **Turnaround of the Year (\$100 mm and above)**

Chapter 11 Reorganization of Interstate Bakeries Corporation  
*Miller Buckfire & Co., LLC*

#### **Turnaround of the Year (Between \$50 mm and \$100 mm)**

Reorganization of Golden County Foods  
*Alix Partners*

#### **Turnaround of the Year (Below \$50 mm)**

Chapter 11 Bankruptcy and Reorganization of Agriprocessors, Inc.  
*Triax Capital Advisors, LLC*

#### **Chapter 11 Reorganization of the Year (Below \$100 mm)**

Chapter 11 Reorganization of Z Gallerie  
*Broadway Advisors, LLC*

#### **Chapter 11 Reorganization of the Year (\$100 mm and above)**

Chapter 11 Restructuring of General Motors  
*Former employees of the U.S. Department of the Treasury*  
*Boston Consulting Group*  
*Rothschild*  
*Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft*

#### **Cross-Border Deal of the Year**

Sale of Tarami K.K. to Mul Principal Investments Company Limited  
*Sun Capital Partners, Inc.*



### **Distressed M&A Deal of the Year (Below \$100 mm)**

Acquisition of Sun-Times Media Group  
*Goldberg Kohn Ltd.; Mesirov Financial*

### **Distressed M&A Deal of the Year (\$100 mm and above)**

Acquisition by Deloitte Consulting LLP of substantially all of the assets of BearingPoint's North American Public Services business  
*Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP*

### **Divestiture Deal of the Year**

Acquisition of LocationLogic LLC by Hale Global and its co-investor, Hale Capital Partners  
*DMEP Corporation d/b/a Hale Global*

### **Out-of-Court Reorganization of the Year**

Restructuring of Allied Cash Advance, LLC  
*Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLC*

### **Refinancing of the Year**

Refinancing of Wise Foods, Inc.  
*Wise Foods, Inc.*

### **Turnaround Community Impact Award**

Chapter 11 Bankruptcy and Reorganization of Agriprocessors, Inc.  
*Triax Capital Advisors, LLC*

### **Turnaround Corporate Executive of the Year**

Larry Nusbaum, *Vertex-Capital*



### **Sector Deal Categories:**

#### **Healthcare/Life Sciences (pharmaceutical, biotech, etc)**

Restructuring of Evotec AG  
*TVM Capital*

#### **Real Estate (commercial, industrial, development, etc)**

Reorganization and Sale of Double JJ Resort  
*O'Keefe & Associates Consulting, LLC*

#### **Industrial Manufacturing/Distribution**

Chapter 11 Restructuring of General Motors  
*Former employees of the U.S. Department of the Treasury*  
*Boston Consulting Group*  
*Rothschild*  
*Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft*

#### **Financial Services**

Chapter 11 Reorganization of CIT  
*Evercore Partners*

#### **Consumer Services**

Chapter 11 Reorganization of Bally Total Fitness  
*Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP*

#### **Media, Entertainment or Telecom**

Acquisition of Sun-Times Media Group  
*Goldberg Kohn Ltd.; Mesirow Financial*

#### **Consumer Products**

Post-Bankruptcy Turnaround of Marcal  
*Marcal Paper Mills LLC*



### **Retail Products**

Acquisition of Bruno's Supermarkets by Southern Family Markets  
*S&S Capital Advisors, LLC*

### **Retail Manufacturing/Distribution**

Sale of DM Industries, Ltd. to Maax Spa Industries Corp.  
*Farlie Turner & Co*

### **Business Services**

Acquisition by Deloitte Consulting LLP of substantially all of the assets of BearingPoint's North American Public Services business  
*Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP*

### **Firm and Product/Service Categories:**

#### **Turnaround Consulting Firm of the Year**

*CRG Partners Group, LLC*

#### **Law Firm of the Year**

*Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP*

#### **Boutique Investment Banking Firm of the Year**

*S&S Capital Advisors, LLC*

#### **Turnaround Product/Service of the Year**

*Kurtzman Carson Consultants / Corporate Restructuring Administration Services*