

Corporate / M&A deal highlights H1 2018

Our team advised on a wide range of M&A transactions during H1 2018. We are pleased to have worked with clients on the following transactions:



Shaw Industries Group

Advised Shaw Industries Group, the largest carpet tile manufacturer in North America, on the acquisition of Scotland-based carpet tile manufacturer Sanquhar Tile Services. Shaw has annual revenues of almost \$6 billion and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.



discoverIE Group plc

Advised discoverIE Group plc, a leading international designer, manufacturer and supplier of customised electronics to industry, on the acquisition of the Santon Group via the purchase of its holding company EWAC Holdings BV.



Hillgate Travel

Advised the majority shareholders of Hillgate Travel, a leading corporate travel management services provider, on its sale to Reed & Mackay, a company backed by Inflexion Private Equity.



Small World Financial Services Group

Advised the institutional and management shareholders of Small World Financial Services Group Limited, a leading multi-channel cross-border payment service provider, on a dual-track process which concluded in the entry into an SPA for the sale of Small World to European private equity firm, Equistone. This transaction is expected to complete in H2 2018, subject to regulatory approval.



Elysian Capital

Advised Elysian Capital on the acquisition of Key Travel, a leading travel management company. Key Travel provides travel and risk management services to clients in the not for profit humanitarian, faith and academic sectors, and its clients include WWF and ActionAid.



Taxfiler Ltd

Advised the shareholders of Taxfiler Limited, the cloud tax and accounts provider for small accountancy practices, on its sale to the UK's leading business-critical software provider, IRIS Software Group, a portfolio company of Hg Capital.



Apposite Capital

Advised new client Apposite Capital, the private equity firm with an exclusive focus on healthcare, on the acquisition of OrthoD Group from The Riverside Company. OrthoD is a specialist manufacturer and distributor of medical products and implants for joint reconstruction, sport medicine, surgical products and infection control applications.



Shareholders of Nxtera Ltd

Advised the shareholders of Nxtera Limited on the sale of Nxtera to a global customer engagement optimisation & compliance software specialist. Nxtera is a specialist in designing and supporting software solutions to improve customers' operational effectiveness and accuracy via automation and expertise.



Principle Cleaning Services

Advised the 10 strong management team of Principle Cleaning Services on their partial buy-out of its founder, Douglas Cooke. The company is a market leader in providing corporate, commercial cleaning in London to some of the most famous landmark buildings in the capital.



Civica Group

Advised long-standing client Civica Group Limited, an investee company of Partners Group, on its acquisition of VisionWare Limited, a company which provides innovative master data management solutions for local, regional and state government and healthcare. In keeping with Civica's strategy, the acquisition adds customer-relevant technology and expertise complementary to Civica's leading family of business-critical software and services for the public sector.



Majority shareholder of Xstrahl

Advised on the sale of Xstrahl, a medical devices business which designs and delivers effective clinical and research solutions to advance radiation oncology, to Risk Capital Partners as part of a MBO.



Turner Parkinson LLP

Advised the members of independent business law firm Turner Parkinson LLP on the acquisition of the LLP by Knights plc (formerly Knights 1759), one of the UK's fastest growing regional legal and professional services businesses.

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