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Seward & Kissel's M&A Practice Highly Ranked by The Legal 500 US 2017

June 27, 2017 – Seward & Kissel is pleased to announce that The Legal 500 US 2017 has highly ranked the Firm's Business Transactions Group for its middle-market M&A expertise. The Group's co-heads, [Jim Abbott](#) and [Craig Sklar](#) were recognized by the publication, as were Partners [Nick Katsanos](#), [Meir Grossman](#) and [Gerhard Anderson](#).

Summarizing its independent research, The Legal 500 had this to say:

What the team is known for: The practice distinguishes itself through shipping industry and investment management M&A, as well as private equity deals. It has expanded its coverage of the financial services sector, where it has acted on multiple deals involving broker-dealers, and also regularly handles media and technology transactions. Also of note, the firm has traditionally acted predominantly on sell-side M&A work, but it is increasingly assisting clients with buy-side deals.



Quotes: Seward & Kissel LLP has “a very talented, experienced group of individuals who have the ability to think as owners and find ways to resolve differences and close transactions; they are also very detail-oriented.” Other clients rate the practice as “outstanding in all respects; it is tremendously responsive, the service is excellent and the advice is tailored to clients’ specific needs and issues rather than being theoretical.”

Notable practitioners:

- **Jim Abbott** is “a team player, who understands the primacy of business goals and solves problems rather than creating them; he is a good listener, wise counselor and contributes perspectives that defuse potentially confrontational issues.”
- **Craig Sklar** is “a remarkable lawyer, who is practical and fair-minded and has total command of relevant precedent, law and practice.”
- **Meir Grossman** “facilitates smooth negotiations with sophisticated and demanding investors, is incredibly responsive, and highlights issues that clients need to think through.”
- **Nick Katsanos** is “an incredible professional.”
- **Gerhard Anderson** is praised as being “very efficient and prompt at turning around key documents in very short timeframes.”

For the full Legal 500 commentary, please [click here](#).

For more information about the Firm’s Business Transactions Group, please [click here](#).

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