

## SEWARD & KISSEL LLP

### JAMES E. ABBOTT REPRESENTATIVE PRIVATE EQUITY AND VENTURE CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS

- Represented educational software provider **Rubicon** in connection with an investment in the company by private equity firm Quad Partners
- Represented human capital management solutions provider **CARCO Group, Inc.** in connection with an investment in the company by private equity firm CIP Capital
- Represented private equity firm **Cathay Capital North America** in connection with its investment in Artisanal Brewing Ventures' strategic alliance transaction with craft brewers Victory Brewing Company and Southern Tier Brewing Company
- Represented global English language training provider **ILSC Education Group** in connection with its recapitalization with private equity sponsor Quad Partners
- Represented toy company Panline USA, Inc., d/b/a **Alex Toys** in connection with the sale of the business in a buyout sponsored by private equity firm Propel Equity Partners
- Represented marine transportation company **Ultrapetrol (Bahamas) Limited** (Nasdaq:ULTR) in connection with \$220 million investment by Southern Cross Latin America Private Equity Funds for shares representing approximately 78.38% of the outstanding common stock of Ultrapetrol
- Represented Swiss multi-channel commerce software vendor **hybris AG** in connection with buyout investment by HuntsmanGay Global Capital and related acquisition of iCongo, Inc.
- Represented **Parfums de Coeur, Ltd.**, the largest provider of mass-market fragrances in the United States, and its shareholders and managers in connection with the sale of the company in a buyout sponsored by private equity firm Yellow Wood Partners, LLP.
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with its private equity investments in craft brewer **Independent Brewers United** (maker of Magic Hat and Pyramid beers) and then in connection with its sale of IBU to North American Breweries (a portfolio company of private equity sponsor KPS Capital)
- Represented institutional fixed income broker dealer **KGS-Alpha Capital Markets L.P.** and its founding management team in connection with its initial \$100,000,000 capitalization led by private equity sponsor Arsenal Capital Partners and in connection with its \$75,000,000 second round of private equity capital led by Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with its equity investment in the leveraged buyout of premium denim company J Brand led by private equity sponsor Star Avenue Capital
- Represented private equity sponsor **MissionPoint Capital Partners** in connection with the sale of its equity investment in solar power developer Sun Edison as part of the \$200,000,000

acquisition of Sun Edison by MEMC Electronic Materials

- Represented Danish heavylift shipping company **Scan-Trans Holding A/S** in connection with its merger with Intermarine, LLC, a portfolio company of private equity sponsor New Mountain Capital.
- Represented **United Business Media plc** in connection with the acquisition of a minority equity joint venture interest in RISI, Inc. from private equity sponsor Pegasus Partners
- Represented management and private investment fund backer in connection with management buyout of **Salvador Imaging** from Photon Dynamics and thereafter in connection with the sale of Salvadore Imaging to FLIR Systems
- Represented **TOP Ships Inc.** in connection with \$173 million sale of its six vessel fleet to AMCI Poseidon Fund.
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with its sale of a sizeable portfolio of Latin American private equity investments.
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with a \$40 million minority private equity investment in an Argentinean energy generation and distribution company
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with an \$80 million secured debt and majority equity investment in a start-up company in the electric turbine equipment industry
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with a minority private equity investment in an Italian-based energy infrastructure projects company
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with the purchase of a controlling majority equity interest in a portfolio of Polish venture capital investments
- Represented a private investment fund client in connection with secured debt and majority private equity investments in a craft beer brewing company
- Represented **Founders Equity** and was lead counsel to the equity investor group that also included Main Street Resources and CITIC Equity Partners in connection with the leveraged buyout of branded consumer products manufacturer The Colibri Group
- Represented **Founders Equity** and was lead counsel to the equity investor group that also included Hudson River Co-Investment Fund and Fieldston Investors in connection with the leveraged buyout of decorative stone distributor Stone Source
- Represented **Delany Capital Management** in connection with the leveraged acquisition of the Electrocraft motor business of Rockwell Automation
- Represented **Advent International** portfolio company Financial Dynamics in connection with the leveraged acquisitions of public affairs consultants Dittus Communications and Westhill Partners
- Represented **Priority Air Express, Inc.** in connection with buyout investment by Berwind Financial Group
- Represented **Franco Apparel Group Inc.** in connection with buyout investment by

Parthenon Capital

- Represented **Power Systems** in connection with buyout investment by The Hillman Company
- Represented **Interface Incorporated** (now renamed American Fire Protection Group Inc.) in connection with buyout investment by Ridge Capital Partners
- Represented **Norstan Apparel Shops, Inc.** in connection with buyout investment by Friend Skoler & Co.
- Represented the management of **American Tack & Hardware Co., Inc.** in connection with buyout investment by Heritage Partners
- Represented **Pres: Air Trol Corp.** in connection with buyout by an investor group
- Represented an investor group led by **Parthenon Capital** in connection with the \$46 million bankruptcy acquisition of Starter Corporation
- Represented **CIDCO Incorporated** in connection with venture capital investment by Summit Partners
- Represented **Screaming Media Inc.** in connection with \$30 million second round preferred stock sale to venture capital investors placed by Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown
- Represented **Water Equipment Services, Inc.** in connection with venture capital investment by Holding Capital Group
- Represented **Avnet, Inc.** in connection with sale of its Channel Master division to buyout investor Questor Partners Fund, L.P
- Represented **Delany Capital Management** in connection with its buyout acquisitions of Howard Industries and Brevel Motors
- Represented **SeraNova, Inc.** in connection with \$10 million private placement of common stock and \$8 million private placement of convertible preferred stock to venture capital investors
- Represented **Garban-Intercapital plc** (now ICAP plc) and was lead counsel to investor group that also included Accel Partners, Bank of America, Comdisco, Global Crossing and Merrill Lynch in connection with \$36 million venture capital investment in MoneyLine Network Inc