

ReedSmith

Driving progress through partnership

Global Corporate

2021 Year in Review

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## Gratitude and grit in the "new normal"

#### To our clients, colleagues and friends,

It is with deep gratitude that we once again share with you our Global Corporate Year in Review reflecting on a truly remarkable 12 months.

When we wrapped up 2020, we observed that it was "a year like no other." The amount of change was historic, and yet we now close our second calendar year living in a pandemic world, and it was perhaps the most transformative year that many of us have experienced.

We discovered the remarkable adaptability and resilience of human beings. We were in awe of our clients and their steadfast focus on finding opportunities in the midst of challenges.

We felt the pain of losing loved ones and learned the power of empathy. We found that we valued sustainability and diversity even more in a remote environment, and we recommitted ourselves to a better, more inclusive, more sustainable world. We found purpose in unexpected causes and drew energy from silver linings and small victories. We were busy, and we were grateful.

We grew in ways tangible and intangible. We added more than 55 new attorneys to our Global Corporate Group, with an emphasis on jurisdictions, industries, and niche specialties key to our clients' growth. We promoted six of our corporate attorneys to the partnership and elevated five attorneys to counsel, ensuring that we have the best talent to serve our clients' needs for decades to come.

Within these pages, you will find examples of remarkable resilience, creativity, pragmatism, and hard work in challenging circumstances. Every day, our goal is to provide exceptional client service. This year, that meant innovating with our clients in unpredictable situations. We are so proud to have been able to work with you in this unexpected year and we appreciate more than ever that you trusted us with your most important transactions. We look forward to many more decades of enduring partnerships with you, wherever your vision takes you.



**Delphine Currie** Co-chair of Global Corporate



**Denise Jong** Co-chair of Global Corporate (Asia)



**James Tandler** Co-chair of Global Corporate (United States)

# Reed Smith is a values driven firm and our guiding values served us well this year

Reed Smith has a collective conscience. Our Core Values call on us to treat each other with dignity and respect at all times, to prize our differences, and to drive progress in our communities and our firm with impact."

Alexander "Sandy" Thomas, Global Managing Partner, Reed Smith











# We measure everything we do by how it drives progress for our clients

From executing on long-term growth strategies to achieving transformational transactions, our clients were making an impact in 2021.







75+

It is a great firm with a strong client-oriented approach."

Chambers, Corporate/M&A 2021

We strengthened our bench to meet our clients' expanding needs.



**54** 

lateral attorneys were welcomed to our corporate practice



16

corporate attorneys were elevated to partner and counsel

We put the full strength of Reed Smith to work for our clients.

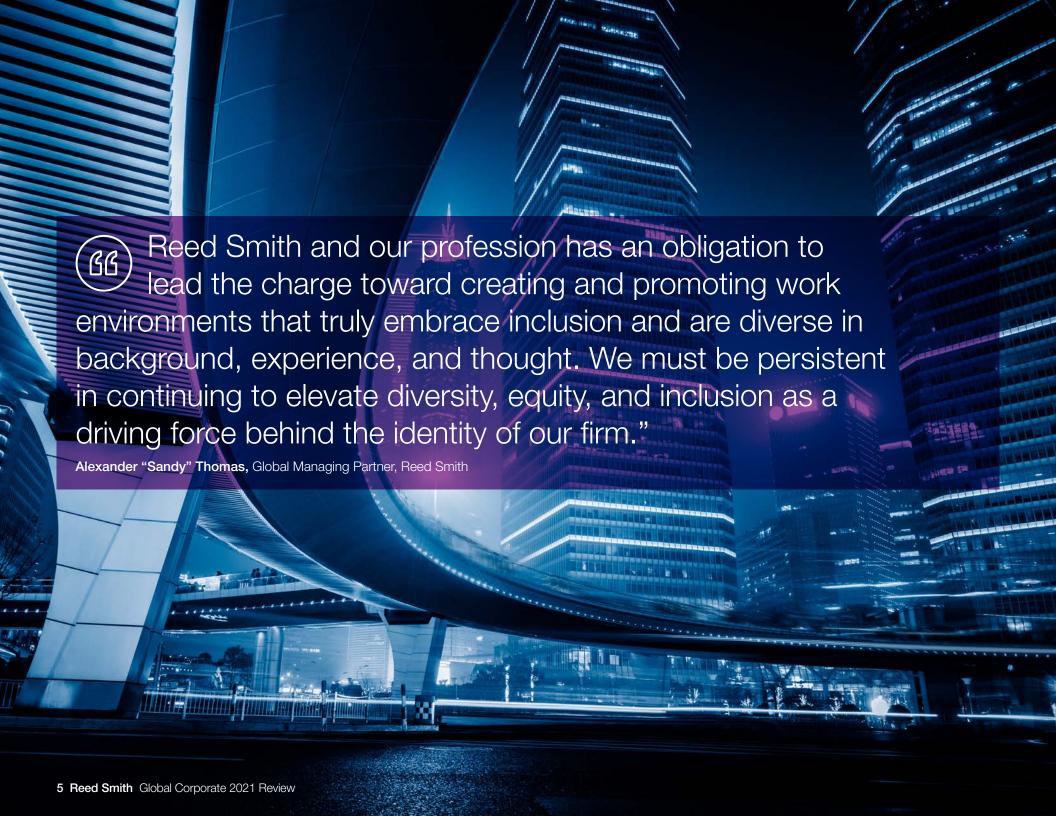




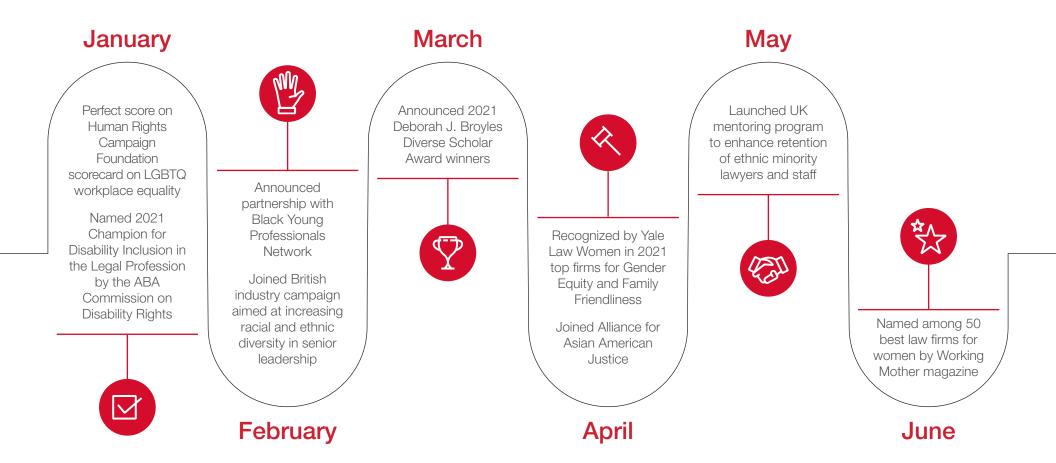


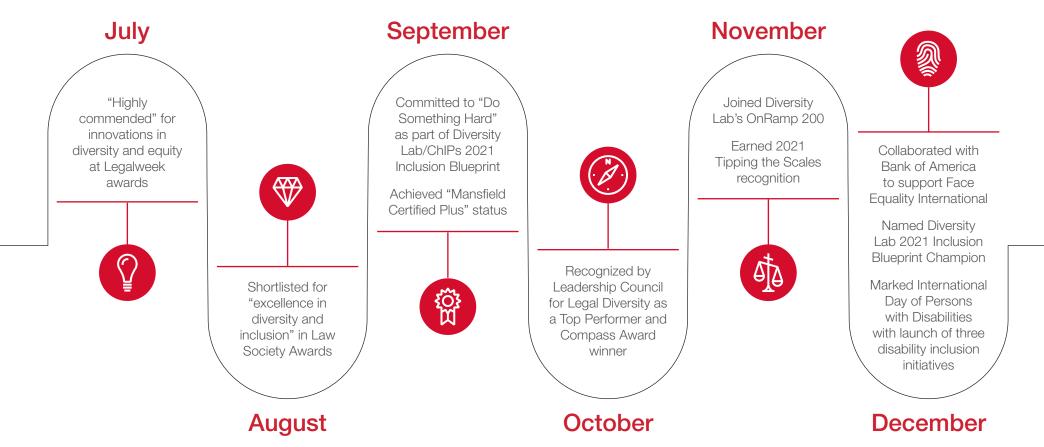






# Fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive workplace





# The search for a brighter tomorrow

88,000+

pro bono hours worked – the highest number of pro bono hours ever at Reed Smith

69%

attorney participation rate



"Be a lamp, or a lifeboat, or a ladder. Help someone's soul heal."



# We found new and inspiring ways to advance equality and justice:

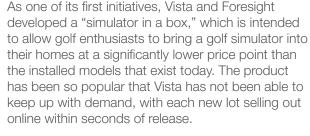
- Lamp Lifeboat Ladder project resettle refugee victims of torture and sexual violence to Canada
- Kids In Need of Defense prepare applications for children and their families to regularize their immigration status
- Death row representations represent eight men on death row in Alabama and Texas as part of our commitment to challenging the disparate impact of execution of minorities
- National Centre for Domestic Violence help victims of domestic violence apply for emergency injunctions
- Afghanistan Working Group long-term, coordinated responses to support Afghan individuals
- NAACP Legal Defense challenge discriminatory laws designed to infringe on voting rights of minorities
- Enfance & Partage defend children's rights
- Fighting labor exploitation and human trafficking – provide legal advice on labor disputes for victims seeking compensation against abusers
- AHA Foundation create legal guides for survivors of female genital mutilation

## Impact: Strengthening relationships

When Vista Outdoor Inc. (NYSE: VSTO) needed to execute a major strategic acquisition, they turned to their long-time trusted counsel at Reed Smith. Vista, a leading global designer, manufacturer, and marketer of products in the outdoor sports and recreation markets, acquired Foresight Sports, a designer and manufacturer of golf performance analysis, entertainment, and game enhancement technologies, for \$474 million (plus a \$25 million earn-out).

In recent years, Vista introduced a number of golf products under its Bushnell brand, including a variety of rangefinders and the "Wingman" GPS/speaker system. Continuing its growth in a space that has enjoyed significant expansion over the last few years, Vista acquired Foresight to crosssell launch monitors and golf simulation solutions across its already existing, and very broad, platform.

Vista has quickly become one of Reed Smith's largest clients, with the Foresight transaction representing the eighth transaction closed by the Vista/Reed Smith team in the last 16 months. More than 50 Reed Smith lawyers worked on the Foresight transaction, with more than 300 Reed Smith lawyers representing Vista in the context of the broader relationship.







## Impact: Growing together

A Reed Smith cross-practice team helped long-term client, Ingka Investments, the holding group of IKEA Retail and the majority owner of IKEA stores, in its acquisition of the iconic building at 214 Oxford Street, London, from the Arcadia Group for a price of £380 million. With the team's help, Ingka secured a deal for the 239,000 square feet site spread over seven floors. The site consists of office and retail space, including long-standing tenants NikeTown and Vans.





## Impact: Partnering on sustainable growth

Our Hong Kong capital markets team drives progress through its long-term partnership with BYD Company Ltd., the China electric vehicle maker backed by Warren Buffet's Berkshire Hathaway, while BYD goes flat-out to drive progress in the new energy industry.

Our Hong Kong capital markets lawyers, in conjunction with our U.S. securities team in Hong Kong, advised BYD in its share placements in January and October 2021 that raised HK\$29.8 billion (equivalent to US\$3.82 billion) and HK\$13.7 billion (equivalent to US\$1.78 billion), respectively.

The placement in January was the biggest fundraising on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange for non-financial PRC companies and of the Asian automotive industry in the last decade, and the largest financing transaction in the new energy industry on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The placement in October 2021 is a follow-on exercise to fully utilize the mandate approved by the PRC regulator.

The firm's relationship with BYD dates back to 2002 when our Hong Kong capital markets team advised BYD on its initial public offering and the listing of its H shares on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The firm has grown with BYD and witnessed the remarkable evolution and exponential growth of the company over the years. We were involved in nearly all of its important milestones, including the subscription of shares by Berkshire Hathaway in 2008. This is demonstrative of our dedication and commitment to our clients. Our highly collaborative, pragmatic and "clients first" approach, professionalism, and in-depth knowledge of the local compliance and regulatory regime placed us in a unique position to further develop and expand our relationship with BYD.





## Sector focus: Private equity

#### **Odyssey Group Limited**

Partial sale to, and joint venture with, Auctus Investment Group Limited, a fund manager listed on the Australian Stock Exchange Australia/China/Singapore

#### Ion Pacific

Launch of US\$150 million private equity fund China/Singapore/United Kingdom/United States

#### Oak Hill Advisors

US\$150 million acquisition of a number of vessels under sale and leaseback from an international financial institution

China/Singapore/United Kingdom/United States

#### **AQUIVET SA**

Minority sale of its shares to AniCura AB *France* 

#### **Civil Aviation Authority Pension Scheme**

Replacement of its growth portfolio investment managers with BlackRock, capturing £3.5 billion of scheme assets; signed management agreement with BlackRock

United Kingdom

#### **Civil Aviation Authority Pension Scheme**

US\$143 million investment into the BlackRock Global Renewable Power Fund III, a fund established to invest in infrastructure assets with a focus on renewable power *United Kingdom* 

#### **CBPE Capital**

Acquisition of Aquaspersions, a specialist chemicals manufacturer based in the UK and Malaysia, from the founding family shareholders Malaysia/United Kingdom

Acquisition of and investment in Direct Commercial Limited and Carraig Insurance Company Limited, a market-leading insurance underwriter specializing in commercial motors for the UK and Ireland *United Kingdom* 

#### **Beyond Capital Partners GmbH**

Acquisition of Wiethe Content GmbH & Co. KG, one of the leading content agencies in Europe with particular expertise in the areas of fashion and lifestyle

Germany

## Kaufman, Hall & Associates LLC (portfolio company of Madison Dearborn Partners)

Acquisition of HRE Capital *United States* 

## Corona-Orange Foods (portfolio company of Wind Point Partners)

Add-on acquisition of Lancaster Fine Foods, Inc. *United States* 

Acquisition of Advantage Engineers LLC United States

#### **ORIX Capital Partners**

Acquisition of Optimad Media LLC *United States* 

#### **Nova Capital Management**

Sale of Amerock Brands to Ferguson Enterprises *United States* 

#### The Blackstone Group L.P.

Investment in Mitiga Security Inc. *United States* 

Investment in Canoe Software Inc. *United States* 

Advised Murka Games, a Blackstone portfolio company, in its add-on acquisition of Mobile Deluxe *United States* 

## Calligo Holdings Limited (portfolio company of investcorp)

Add-on acquisition of Decisive Data *United States* 

#### **Leeds Equity Partners**

Platform acquisition of Genius SIS *United States* 

Platform acquisition of Archive360 *United States* 

#### Investec Bank plc

Restructuring of proprietary investment business *China/United Kingdom* 

#### **Brainnet BV**

Rollover of proceeds in the sale of PRO Unlimited to EQT Private Equity *United States* 

#### **New Harbor Capital**

Sale of Wedgewood Village Pharmacy to Partners Group *United States* 

#### **Wind Point Partners**

Sale of Ascensus Specialties to a buyer group consisting of New Mountain Capital and a new Special Purpose Vehicle managed by Wind Point Partners *United States* 

Sale of Aurora Plastics to Nautic Partners, LLC *United States* 

Acquisition of The Vertex Companies, Inc. *United States* 

#### Blueprint Education Subsidiary Holdings, LLC (New Harbor platform company)

Acquisition of Rosh Review LLC United States

They know the business so well, they're very commercial, and they have really excellent technical expertise."

Chambers, Corporate/M&A and Private Equity 2022

## Sector focus: Real estate

#### **Art-Invest**

£52 million acquisition of Sackville House, Piccadilly *United Kingdom* 

#### **Apsys Group**

Acquisition, restructuring, and sale of the iconic Solférino building, where the French Socialist Party had its headquarters until 2018

France

#### **Stoneweg**

€300 million real estate joint venture with funds managed by Bain Capital *United Kingdom* 

#### M&G Real Estate

Acquisition of a residential development Germany

#### **HKR** International

Disposal of three residential buildings in Tokyo for approximately HK\$1.4 billion *China* 

#### **Space Plus**

Acquisition of a portfolio of self-storage centers from RENTABOX Group *Germany* 

#### W. P. Carey

Acquisition of a logistics facility leased to a well-known automotive brand *United Kingdom* 

Sale of parts of a portfolio comprising do-it-yourself retail properties to an institutional investor *Germany* 

Combined sale and lease-back transaction with a German group of metal producing companies Czech Republic/Germany

#### **Ingka Investments Ventures**

£380 million acquisition of the iconic building at 214 Oxford Street, London from the Arcadia Group *United Kingdom* 

#### **Invel Real Estate Partners**

Exit of existing investor and joint venture with Papabull Investments Limited *United Kingdom* 

#### **Invel Real Estate**

Launch of Invel Eudora Fund, a €65 million Jersey Private Fund with a strategy of providing general partner capital on new Invel transactions in the real estate sector *United Kingdom* 

#### Warehouse REIT

£46 million institutional placing *United Kingdom* 

#### **Prodea Real Estate**

€175 million acquisition (alongside funds managed by Goldman Sachs Asset Management) of interests in two Luxembourg RAIFs with underlying exposure to Italian real estate assets *United Kingdom* 

#### GreenAcreage Real Estate Corp

Merger with NewLake Capital Partners, Inc. *United States* 

#### **Merit Hill Capital**

Disposition and loan prepayment of a portfolio of 38 self-storage properties *United States* 

Reed Smith approaches challenging projects to find solutions."

Chambers, Real Estate 2021



## Sector focus: Entertainment and media

#### **Concord Music Group**

Purchase of 145,000 copyrights owned by Downtown Music, their entire owned and/or copublished music catalog Belgium/France/Germany/United Kingdom/ United States

#### Melody VR

Bundle deal with Singaporean telco, Singtel Singapore/United Kingdom

#### The Independents Limited

Acquisition of Bereau Betak, an event and production company *China/France* 

#### **Bauer Media**

Acquisition of Communicorp Group, Ireland's largest commercial radio group *United Kingdom* 

#### **Antenna Group**

Acquisition of 22 pay-TV channels and 2 OTT services from Sony Pictures *United Kingdom* 

#### Media Asia Group

Subscription of its shares by a wholly owned subsidiary of Tencent Holdings Limited (0700.HK) *China* 

#### Siege Media, LLC

Sale to Protective Technologies Capital *United States* 

#### Sony Music and The Orchard

Acquisition of the music-recording business, Kobalt Music Group Limited France/Germany/United Kingdom/United States

#### Sony Music Entertainment UK

Acquisition of a controlling interest in The Luna Cinema Limited *United Kingdom* 





#### **ITV**

 $\mathfrak{L}2.5$  million minority investment in Live Tech Games United Kingdom

#### **Moonbug Entertainment**

Acquisition of Fly Point Music Limited *United Arab Emirates/United Kingdom/ United States* 

#### **Verizon and Hearst**

US\$300 million sale of Complex Networks to BuzzFeed (NASDAQ: BZFD) *United States* 

## Scooter Braun/Scott Borchetta/Ithaca Holdings

US\$1 billion sale of Ithaca to HYBE (f/k/a Big Hit Entertainment) (352820:Korea SE)

South Korea/United States

#### **TIDAL**

US\$297 million sale of majority ownership stake to Square, Inc. (NYSE: SQ) *United States* 

Reed Smith provides a consistently excellent standard of service and quality of work, and are fast, efficient and effective."

Chambers, Media & Entertainment 2022

## Sector focus: Manufacturing and transportation

#### Man Wah Holdings Limited

US\$300 million placing (144A/Reg S offering)

China/United States

#### **BYD Company Limited**

HK\$13.7 billion H-shares placing on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange China

#### **Road King Infrastructure Limited**

Issue and offering of US\$500 million 5.20 percent guaranteed senior notes due 2026 by RKPF Overseas 2020 (A) Limited a wholly owned subsidiary of RKI *China* 

#### Ion Pacific

Investment in Singapore's online automotive marketplace Carro Singapore

#### United States Bullet Proofing, Inc.

Stock sale to Quikserv, Inc., a portfolio company of River Associates *United States* 

#### Honex Interactive Industries LLC

Sale to Safelite AutoGlass, a national autoglass repair and replacement provider *United States* 

#### Xiamen ITG Holding Group Co., Ltd

US\$180 million acquisition of single largest stake of 29.9 percent in Zheng Tong Auto Services Limited *China* 

#### **MSA Safety Incorporated**

US\$337 million acquisition of Bacharach, Inc. and its affiliated companies *United States* 

#### Applus+

Acquisition of IMA Materialforschung und Anwendungstechnik GmbH and its subsidiaries from the founding shareholders Belgium/China/Germany

#### **Smoore International Holdings Limited**

US\$858 million Reg S top-up placing and parallel sell-down *China* 

#### OC Oerlikon Management AG Pfäffikon

Acquisition of Coeurdor, a well-established brand and full service provider for the design, manufacturing, and coating of metallic components to world-leading luxury brands *France* 

#### **Reuben Brothers**

Investment into Lunaz, a business concentrating on the electrification of classic cars *United Kingdom* 

#### Trinseo U.S. Holding, Inc.

US\$445 million acquisition of Aristech Surfaces LLC, a global leading producer of surface and design materials

**United States** 

#### Nanoco Group plc

Non-dilutive loan note subscription for £3.15 million *United Kingdom* 

#### **SITIZN Holding AG**

Joint venture between its portfolio company Solayer GmbH and the SMS group *Germany* 

#### Sinotruk (Hong Kong) Ltd

US\$1.08 billion new share placement of its Shanghai listed subsidiary Sinotruk Jinan Truck Co., Ltd *China* 

## Citybus Limited/New World First Bus Limited

Strategic takeover and entry into bus body and bus interior advertising business *China* 

## Jefferies International Limited, Kempen & Co and Akur Limited

€230 million secondary fundraise for logistics investor Tritax Eurobox PLC and subsequent fundraise of €250 million under a placing program *United Kingdom* 

#### **Navistar**

Acquisition of a minority stake in a privately held electric truck company *United States* 

#### **PDC Machines**

Sale of its majority ownership stake to Arcline Investment Management *United States* 

#### Vista Outdoor Inc.

Acquisition of the HEVI-Shot® brand *United States* 

Acquisition of the QuietKat, Inc., a premier hunting and overlanding e-bike brand *United States* 

US\$474 million acquisition of Foresight Sports *United States* 

Acquisition of Fiber Energy Products *United States* 

Acquisition of Stone Glacier *United States* 

#### **Carmeuse Americas**

Acquisition of certain assets of Linwood Mining and Minerals Corp. and all of the equity of Superior Minerals Company, each an affiliate of McCarthy-Bush Corporation

United States

Acquisition of the equity of Carl Schlegel, Inc., a Michigan-based manufacturer and supplier of aggregate materials *United States* 

## Nelson Global Products (Wind Point Partners)

Acquisition of Commercial Tube Processing United States

Acquisition of certain intellectual property and other assets of Saprex, LLC *United States* 

Acquisition of Tru-Flex, LLC, a portfolio company of HBM Holdings Company *United States* 

#### **Apollo Future Mobility Group Limited**

US\$110 million joint venture in China with Jiangsu Jinpeng Group *China* 

€36 million acquisition of Ideenion Automobil *China/Germany* 

Imperial Bag & Paper Co. LLC d/b/a



## It's an excellent, full-service firm that delivers on time and meets our expectations."

Chambers, Corporate/M&A 2021

#### **Imperial Dade**

Acquisition of substantially all of assets of Hylon-Koburn Chemicals Inc.

**United States** 

Acquisition of all substantially all of the assets of Garret Paper, Inc.

**United States** 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of American Paper & Twine *United States* 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Nichols Paper & Supply Co. *United States* 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Mailender, Inc.

**United States** 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Carpenter Paper Company *United States* 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of E.J.D. Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Empire Distributors *United States* 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding

capital stock Randik Paper Co. *United States* 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Western Paper Distributors, Inc. and Paper Distributors of Arizona, Inc.

**United States** 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding equity securities of Eastern Bag & Paper Company *United States* 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of East Continental Supplies, LLC *United States* 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Moresco Distributing Company *United States* 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Dalco Enterprises, Inc.

**United States** 

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Cosgrove Distribution, Inc. and all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Cosgrove Enterprises, Inc.

**United States** 



## Sector focus: Emerging growth and venture capital

#### **Genie Drinks**

Venture capital investment by Silver Cap Limited, a Seychelles-based family office, by way of convertible loan note

United Kingdom

#### **Onto Holdings Limited**

US\$175 million combined equity and debt series B round

United Kingdom

#### **NeoT Green Mobility**

€70 million capital raising from 3i and Mirova *France* 

## DMGV Limited (the venture capital arm of the Daily Mail and General Trust)

£17 million participation in Kortext's series B fundraising round *United Kingdom* 

#### Cynora GmbH

Sale to an international buyer *Germany* 

#### Signature Ventures

Investment in Blockchain Technology Partners as part of a £2 million seed round Germany/United Kingdom

#### Fluid Truck

US\$63 million series A funding *United States* 

#### **ENGIE New Ventures**

SAS series A-2 preferred stock investment in Czero, Inc.

**United States** 

#### 7Global Capital

Initial closing of its second venture fund United States



Legal 500, Venture capital and emerging companies 2021



## Sector focus:

## Energy and natural resources

#### **Eternal Tsingshan**

Strategic acquisition of a stake in PT Position Singapore

#### **China Gas Group Limited**

US\$1.5 billion top-up placing of China Gas Holdings Limited China

#### Abundia Global Impact Group LLC

Purchase of Proton Power, Inc. for US\$353 million, composed of cash, shares of a SPAC and assumption of debt *United States* 

#### **Wabash Valley Resources**

Sale of a 20% interest in the clean hydrogen project being developed in West Terre Haute, Indiana, to Nikola Corporation *United States* 

#### Resource Environmental Solutions, LLC

Acquisition of Lecon, Inc., a leader in flood mitigation solutions in urban and coastal areas across the Texas Gulf Coast *United States* 

#### **Sirec Energy**

Formation of a Greek Green-Energy Fund with a first closing of €50 million and targeting total commitments of €70 million

Greece

#### PPC Renewables S.A.

Formation of a joint venture with RWE Renewables, the renewables subsidiary of the German energy major, RWE AG

Greece

#### Terra-Gen

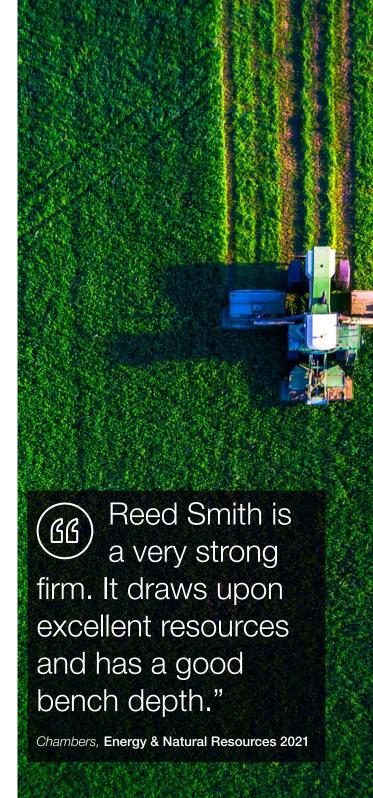
Sale of two geothermal power plants in Nevada *United States* 

#### **Clearway Energy**

Acquisition of 264 MW Mount Storm Wind Farm *United States* 

#### **China Resources Gas**

HK\$2.38 billion proposed take-private of industry peer Suchuang Gas Corporation Limited by way of a Caymen Islands Scheme of Arrangement *China* 



## Sector focus: Life sciences and health care

#### Caribou Biosciences, Inc.

US\$350 million initial public offering *United States* 

#### Biophytis S.A.

US\$20 million initial public offering Belgium/France/United States

#### A.G.P./Alliance Global Partners

US\$27.6 million underwritten public offering of Viveve Medical, Inc. *United States* 

## Protective Business & Health Systems, Inc.

Sale to RevenueWell Systems, a portfolio company of Marlin Equity Partners' portfolio company *United States* 

#### Marizyme, Inc.

Equity purchase of My Health Logic Inc. *United States* 

#### Jaguar Health, Inc.

Registered direct public offering of common stock with North American Institutional Investors *United States* 

#### Sandoz, Inc.

Asset divestiture to ANI Pharmaceutical, Inc. *United States* 

#### Grace Therapeutics, Inc.

Business combination with Acasti Pharma, Inc. *United States* 

#### **Rising Pharmaceuticals and Casper**

Joint sale to H.I.G. Capital *United States* 

#### Radiology Regional Center, P.A.

Sale to Premier Imaging, LLC *United States* 

## Velocity Clinical Research, Inc. (portfolio company of GHO Capital)

Add-on acquisition of NRI Clinical Research, LLC United States

#### **Bioventus**

IPO of portfolio company of EW Healthcare Partners United States

#### **EW Healthcare Partners**

Acquisition of a majority stake in Laboratoires Majorelle

France/United States

Acquisition of a minority stake in VitalConnect United States

## Quigley Eye Specialists (portfolio company of New Harbor Capital)

Acquisitions of multiple ophthalmology practices *United States* 

#### Prestige Consumer Healthcare Inc.

US\$230 million acquisition of over-the-counter consumer brands from specialty pharmaceutical company Akorn Operating Company LLC *United States* 



Reed Smith has a superior knowledge

of regulatory issues in the market."

Chambers, Healthcare 2021

## Ensemble RCM, LLC d/b/a (portfolio company of Golden Gate Capital)

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding equity securities of Odeza LLC *United States* 

#### Care Pharmaceuticals Pty Limited

Acquisition of the Zaditen brand in select territories from Novartis Pharma *United States* 

#### **Zhaoke Ophthalmology Limited**

Intellectual property counsel for listing application *China* 

#### Joinn Laboratories (China) Co., Ltd

FDA counsel for IPO *China* 



## Sector focus: Technology

#### Sage Management Incorporated

Sale of the outstanding equity of Sage, a provider of telecom software solutions, to an affiliate of private equity firm O2 Investment Partners, LLC *United States* 

## EPAM Systems, Inc. and EPAM Systems GmbH

Acquisition of technology think tank and consulting company CORE SE Germany/United States

#### Persistent Systems Inc.

US\$53 million equity purchase of Software Corporation International and SCI Fusion 360 LLC *United States* 

#### Neonode, Inc.

Registered direct public offering of common stock with certain Swedish and European investors Sweden/United States

#### NexSight, LLC

Sale to IDEX Corporation *United States* 

#### **Arta TechFin Corporation Limited**

Resumption of trading of its shares on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange *China* 

### Luxvisions Innovation Technology Limited

HK\$2.1 billion acquisition of 374 million shares in Cowell e Holdings Inc. and its HK\$2.7 billion mandatory conditional cash offers to public shareholders and optionholders *China* 

#### GlobalData plc

Acquisition of both LMCA Holdings Limited and LMCI Holdings Limited, which provide data, analytics, and insights of the automotive and agribusiness markets respectively China/Germany/Malaysia/United Kingdom/United States

#### Persistent Systems Inc.

Asset acquisition of Shree Partners LLC *India/United States* 

#### **Tech Mahindra**

Acquisition of Digital OnUS Inc. *India/United States* 

Acquisition of Activus Connect India/United States

#### **Cyberinc Corporation**

Sale to Forcepoint LLC, a portfolio company of Francisco Partners *United States* 

#### Shield Al

Acquisition of Heron Systems, Inc. *United States* 

Acquisition of Martin UAV *United States* 

## Advanced Technology Consulting Service, Inc.

Sale to Nagarro, Inc. *United States* 

## TEAM Software, Inc. (portfolio company of Accel-KKR)

Sale to WorkWave *United States* 

#### Will.i.am

Majority-owned joint venture with Honeywell called XUPERMASK, the world's first ever smart mask *United States* 

## LiveVox, Inc. (portfolio company of Golden Gate Capital)

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding equity securities of Engage Holdings, LLC d/b/a Businessphone.com *United States* 

#### Relativity

Strategic investment by Silver Lake *United States* 

#### **Altium Limited**

US\$ 100 million sale of its business line, TASKING, to a German Company China/Germany

The lawyers are thoughtful and business-minded in their approach. They know our goals and can help us achieve them."

Chambers, Corporate/M&A 2021

## Sector focus: Making an impact across industries



#### **Guotai Junan Securities (Hong Kong)** Limited

Top-up placement and subscription of shares of Gome Retail Holdings Limited, raising approximately HK\$4.5 billion China

#### Cowen and Company LLC

US\$100 million PIPE by Wasatch Global Investors into Bespoke Capital Acquisition Corp. **United States** 

#### Galaxi Group

Alliance with Seacoast Capital and Medallion Landscape Holdings, LLC **United States** 

#### **China Education Group Holdings Limited**

Top-up placement and subscription of shares, raising approximately HK\$1.2 billion China

#### **Intel 471**

Sale via merger of the cybercrime intelligence company to a fund managed by Thoma Bravo, L.P. *United States* 

#### Daily Mail and General Trust plc

Acquisition of New Scientist, one of the world's leading science publishing titles *United Kingdom* 

#### **Reuben Brothers**

£300 million takeover of Newcastle United Football Club by a consortium including the Public Investment Fund of Saudi Arabia (PIF) and PCP Capital Partners United Kingdom

#### York Capital

Investment in Rileys Sports Bar *United Kingdom* 

#### Heidrick & Struggles

Acquisition of Business Talent Group, LLC and its wholly owned UK subsidiary *United Kingdom/United States* 

## Magnetrol International Holding Company

US\$230 million disposal of multi-jurisdictional shares and assets to Ametek Belgium/Germany/Singapore/United Arab Emirates/United Kingdom

#### Jefferies International Limited, Jefferies GmbH and Winterflood Securities Limited

 $\mathfrak{L}75$  million secondary fundraising for infrastructure investment company BBGI Global Infrastructure S.A. *United Kingdom* 

## Synergis Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 2340)

HK\$539 million disposal of its property and facilities management business in Hong Kong *China* 

#### **KushCo Holdings**

US\$40 million registered direct placement United States

Merger-of-equals with Greenlane Holdings United States

#### **ATB Capital Markets**

CA\$27 million brokered private placement of securities of Harborside Inc. *Canada/United States* 

#### **Lionpoint Holdings**

Sale to Alpha FMC United States

#### W. P. Carey

Cross-border disposals of UK PBSA assets to certain insurance funds *United Kingdom* 

#### TT Club

Transfer of its EEA business, via a Part VII insurance business transfer, to Dutch insurer, UK P&I Club NV *United Kingdom* 

#### Off Duty Services, Inc.

Sale to Protos Security, a portfolio company of Southfield Capital *United States* 

#### Cushman & Wakefield PLC

Simultaneous acquisition of Thalhimer Charleston, LLC, and Thalhimer Greenville, LLC, two real estate brokerage firms *United States* 

#### Vimian Group AB

Acquisition of GlobalOne Pet Products LLC *United States* 

#### **Envoy Solutions, LLC**

Acquisition of the stock of Swish White River, Ltd. *United States* 

Acquisition of certain assets of Valley Janitor Supply Co. *United States* 

Acquisition of the stock of General Chemical & Supply Inc. *United States* 

Acquisition of membership interests of Weiss Bros. of Hagerstown, LLC *United States* 

#### **Hub International Limited**

Acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Catto & Catto Inc. and Catto & Catto Benefits Group, LLC *United States* 

Acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Cameron Investment Company, Inc., a Texas corporation d/b/a/ Shepard Walton King Insurance Group

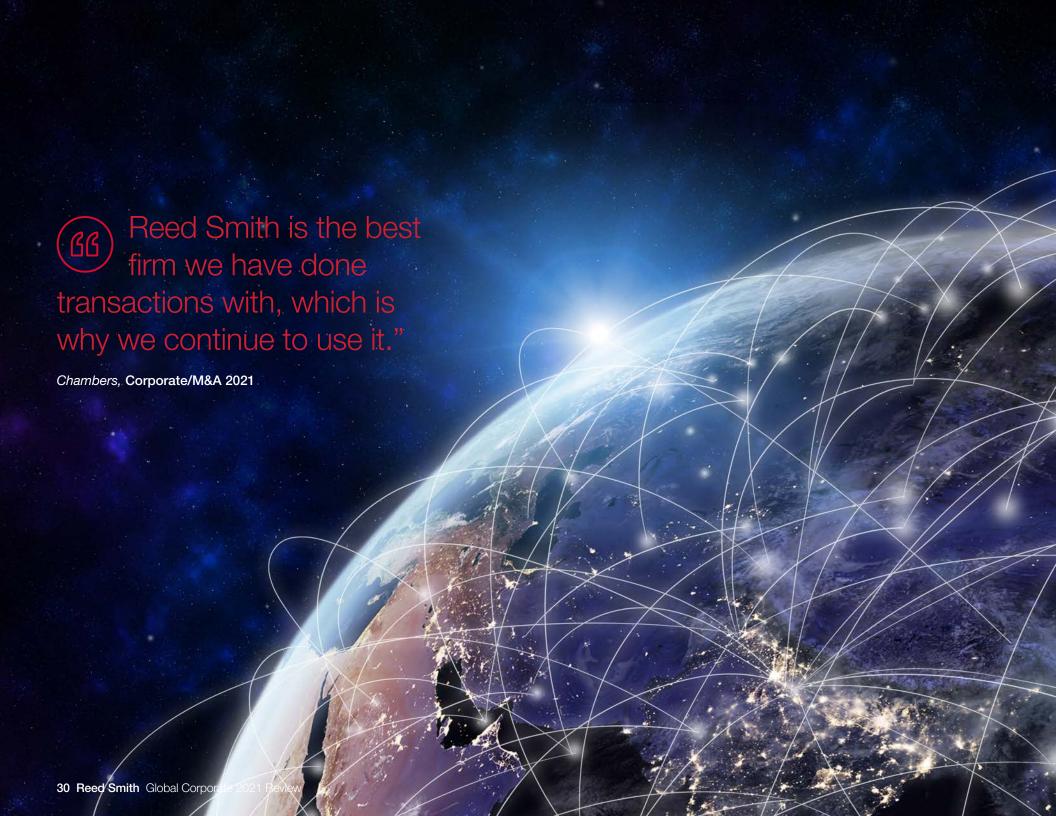
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Acquisition of CM & F Group, Inc. *United States* 

Acquisition of Enter Medicare, Inc. *United States* 

Acquisition of Conover Insurance Services LLC and its affiliates *United States* 

Acquisition of Wyoming Financial Insurance, Inc. *United States* 



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