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Winners Announced for the 12th Annual M&A Advisor Awards Top M&A Deals, Firms and Professionals honored December 17th at the New York Athletic Club

New York, NY, December 20th, 2013 – The M&A Advisor announced the winners of the 2013 M&A Advisor Awards at the 12th Annual Gala to a lively, sold-out crowd at The New York Athletic Club on Tuesday, December 17th. The event was hosted by New York Financial Press Anchor and Correspondent Julia Sun.

"The award winners represent the best of the M&A industry in 2013 and earned these honors by standing out in a group of very impressive finalists," said Roger Aguinaldo, CEO of The M&A Advisor. "From lower middle market to multi-billion dollar deals, we are recognizing the leading transactions, firms and individuals that represent the highest levels of performance."

The 12th Annual Awards Gala honored the leading deal teams, firms and professionals whose activities set the standard for M&A transactions. This year, over 400 nominees, representing over 850 companies, became finalists for the awards. An independent judging committee of 23 top M&A industry experts determined the ultimate recipients of the awards which were revealed "Academy-Award style" at the gala.

The ceremony also honored David Bonderman and Richard "Dick" Parsons with the 2013 Lifetime Achievement Award and recognized Jeff Drazan, John Ferrara, Selig Sacks, and Leonard Tannenbaum with the 2013 Leadership Award. And, together with the other 2013 Lifetime Achievement and Leadership Award Winners: Rene-Pierre Azria, Corinne Ball, William Repko, Marc Leder, Rodger Krouse, Patricia Menendez-Cambo, and Mark Zeffiro, they were inducted into The M&A Advisor Hall of Fame.

"The 2013 Lifetime and Leadership Awards Winners have and continue to set the bar for M&A professionals worldwide," stated David Fergusson, President at The M&A Advisor. "We are honored to present these distinguished industry leaders with the 2013 Lifetime Achievement and Leadership Awards for their contributions to the industry and inspiration to us all."

The M&A Advisor Summit featuring the 12th Annual M&A Advisor Awards Gala is the premier annual event for professionals in the US M&A industry. In addition to recognizing and rewarding the industry's best of the year, the Summit featured a Faculty of over 50 stalwart professionals leading roundtable sessions and delivering keynote presentations.

For a detailed list of all of the Award Winners and Finalists for the 12th Annual M&A Advisor Awards and a group photo of the Winners, please <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

To view, download and link to pictures taken at the Symposium sessions of the 2013 M&A Advisor Summit <u>CLICK HERE</u>. To access the Award Gala pictures please <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

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