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CLEARY GULL WINS THE M&A ATLAS AND THE M&A ADVISOR AWARDS INCLUDING THE U.S.A. BOUTIQUE INVESTMENT BANK OF THE YEAR



Milwaukee, Wisconsin, December 5, 2018 – Cleary Gull is pleased to announce that it received M&A Atlas and M&A Advisor Awards during recent award galas in New York City in the following categories:

- ***The M&A Atlas U.S.A. Boutique Investment Bank of the Year***
- ***The M&A Atlas Private Equity Deal of the Year (Small - Middle Market)*** for the sale of Innovative Office Products, a portfolio company of Corridor Capital acquired by Cathay Capital, Norwest Mezzanine Partners and ORIX Mezzanine & Private Equity.
- ***The M&A Atlas Corporate M&A Deal of the Year*** for the sale of Dowco to Patrick Industries, Inc.
- ***The M&A Advisor Consumer Discretionary Deal of the Year*** for the sale of Johnson Level & Tool Mfg. Co., Inc. to Hultafors Group AB.

The firm was also a distinguished award finalist in the categories of Investment Banker of the Year (John Peterson), Industrials Deal of the Year and M&A Deal of the Year.

Patrick Bremmer, Managing Director of Cleary Gull was named to the 2018 Americas Top 50 Rising Star Dealmakers by the Global M&A Network. Mr. Bremmer also represented the firm at the Americas M&A Atlas Awards 10th Annual Gala Ceremony on November 29th in New York, New York. “I am honored to represent Cleary Gull.” said Patrick Bremmer. “It’s a pleasure to be recognized for the outstanding results our firm generates for our clients.”

“We are very proud to receive recognition for our firm, completed transactions and senior professionals,” said Ronald Miller, President and Managing Director. “These awards are a tribute to the high quality work our team does for all of our clients.”



“We are delighted to honor the achievements of top players, and more-so, the winners represent the vision and excellence for executing transactions in a fiercely competitive market-place. We wish all the winners continued success for the year ahead.” Shanta Kumari, CEO and Global Group Editor, at Global M&A Network.

“Since 2002, we have been honoring the leading M&A transactions, companies and dealmakers. Cleary Gull was chosen from over 600 participating companies to receive the award. It gives us great pleasure to recognize Cleary Gull and bestow upon them our highest honor for M&A firms and professionals,” said Roger Aguinaldo, Founder, The M&A Advisor. “Cleary Gull represents the best of the M&A industry in 2018 and earned these honors by standing out in a group of very impressive candidates.”

About Cleary Gull

Founded in 1987, Cleary Gull (www.clearygull.com/ib) is an independent investment banking firm advising privately held companies on middle market sales, divestitures, mergers and acquisitions, private debt and equity capital raises, and other transactions. Cleary Gull has extensive experience in manufacturing, consumer, business & industrial services, and software and technology.