

## Mergers & Acquisition deal highlights: H1 2022

Our team had a busy first half of 2022 and we are pleased to have worked with clients on a number of transactions. Below are a few examples:

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### Battery

Advised global, technology-focused investment firm **Battery Ventures** on the sale of Forterro to Partners Group for €1 billion, and on the sale of SPT Labtech, a fast-growing laboratory automation player focused on tools for liquid handling and sample preparation and management for scientists, to EQT Private Equity for £650 million.

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Advised **Symphony Holdings Limited**, an investment holding company listed on the HK Stock Exchange, on the sale of its trademark portfolio of international footwear brand, PONY, in the Non-APAC region to Iconix Brand Group.

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Advised leading online luxury retail platform **Farfetch** on a joint venture agreement with Clipper Logistics plc to provide a pan-European e-fulfilment and returns management service.

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Advised **Acora**, a UK-based IT managed services and technology partner, on its acquisition of Secrutiny, the UK's leading cybersecurity provider. The acquisition has allowed Acora to incorporate security within its market-leading managed IT services offer, with a truly holistic, end-to-end service for its 300+ customers worldwide.

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Advised **The Doctors Clinic Group**, a UK-based high growth private healthcare company, on its acquisition of Soma Health, an occupational health specialist.

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Advised the shareholders of **Zenkraft**, Salesforce's leading parcel and return delivery solutions provider, on the sale of the company to Bringg, an Israel-based delivery and fulfilment cloud platform provider.

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Advised AIM-listed client, **Immediate Acquisition plc** (formerly Immedia Group plc) on the disposal of its wholly owned subsidiary and trading company, Immedia Broadcast Limited, and subsequently, on the reverse takeover of fintech platform and provider of consumer banking products, Fiinu Holdings Limited.



Advised international art advisory group, **Gurr Johns**, on its acquisition of auction house, Forum Auctions Limited. Gurr Johns is one of the leading international independent art advisory and appraisal firms working with private and institutional clients on the acquisition, sale, maintenance and valuation of fine and decorative art.



Advised the founding shareholders of investment management boutique **GBIM Ltd** on its merger with Hawksmoor Investment Management Ltd, the latter of which is part of the Hurst Point Group, a collection of businesses set to acquire 100% of GBIM, subject to FCA approval.



Advised James Evans on the restructure and subsequent acquisition of the **Douglas & Gordon** property sales business from London-listed Foxtons Group.



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