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# Section One

# Corporate Transparency Act Why Every Business Lawyer Needs to Know About This and its Impact

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#### **Section One**

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#### Travis Lovett Biography

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# CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY ACT

Why every Business lawyer needs to know about this and its impact

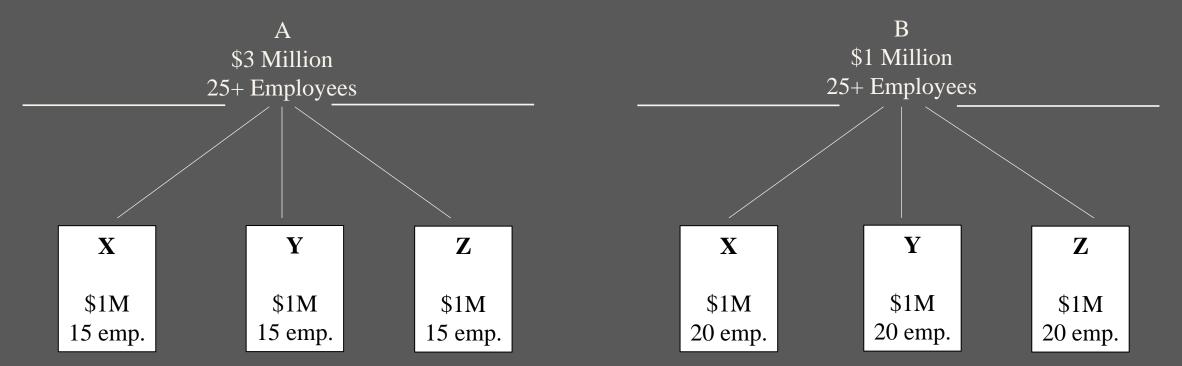
# WHAT IS THE CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY ACT?

- A new federal law passed by Congress (as part of the Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2020) with the intent to combat unlawful and criminal activity that is carried out through corporate entities.
  - Malign actors seek to conceal their ownership of corporations, limited liability companies, or other similar entities in the United States to facilitate illicit activity, including money laundering, the financing of terrorism, proliferation financing, serious tax fraud, human and drug trafficking, counterfeiting, piracy, securities fraud, financial fraud, and acts of foreign corruption, harming the national security interests of the United States and allies of the United States.
- A Reporting Company must submit a Beneficial Ownership Information Report to report its Beneficial Owners and Applicants to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network of the Department of the Treasury (FinCEN) through FinCEN's electronic database, the Beneficial Ownership Secure System.
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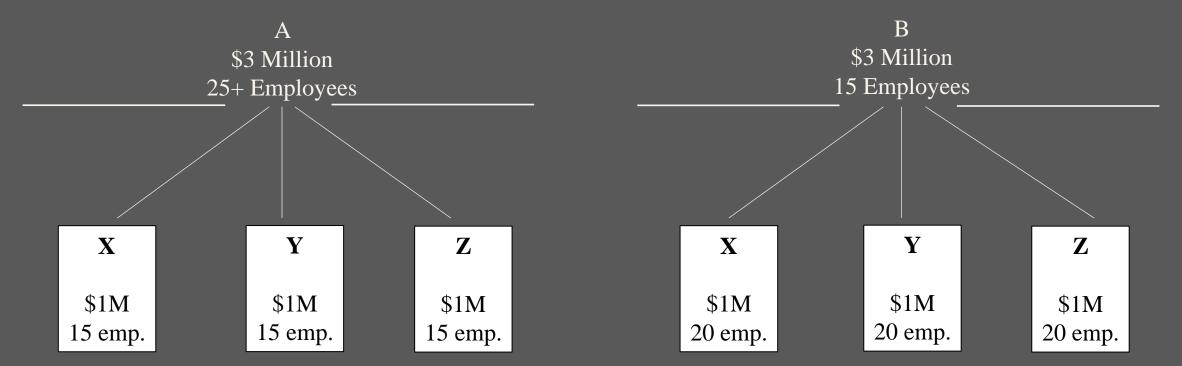
# REPORTING COMPANY

- Any entity that is created or registered to do business in the United States by the filing of a document with a Secretary of State or similar office under the law of a State or Indian Tribe.
- 23 Exemptions- generally heavily regulated industries (such as banks, public utility, investment companies), nonprofits, and large companies.
  - Any entity that employs more than 20 employees on a full-time basis in the United States, filed in the previous year federal income tax returns more than \$5,000,000 in gross receipts or sales, and has an operating presence at a physical office within the United States.
  - A subsidiary of certain exempt entities.

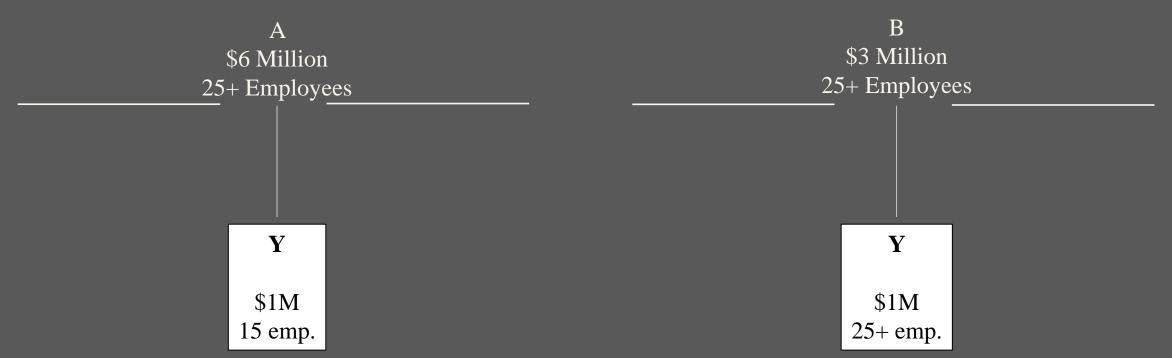
## REPORTING COMPANY EXAMPLE 1



## REPORTING COMPANY EXAMPLE 2



## REPORTING COMPANY EXAMPLE 3



#### BENEFICIAL OWNER

An individual who, directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship, or otherwise that:

- Exercises substantial control over the entity; or
- Owns or controls not less than 25 percent of the ownership interests of the entity.

#### Excludes:

- Minor
- Custodian or agent on behalf of an individual
- Employee and no other connection to Reporting Company
- An individual whose only interest in a corporation, limited liability company, or other similar entity is through a right of inheritance; or
- A creditor of a corporation, limited liability company, or other similar entity, unless the creditor meets the requirements of a "Beneficial Owner".

#### BENEFICIAL OWNER EXAMPLES Individual 50% B A \$6 Million \$6 Million 25+ Employees 15 Employees 15% 15% $\mathbf{C}$ \$6 Million 25+ Employees

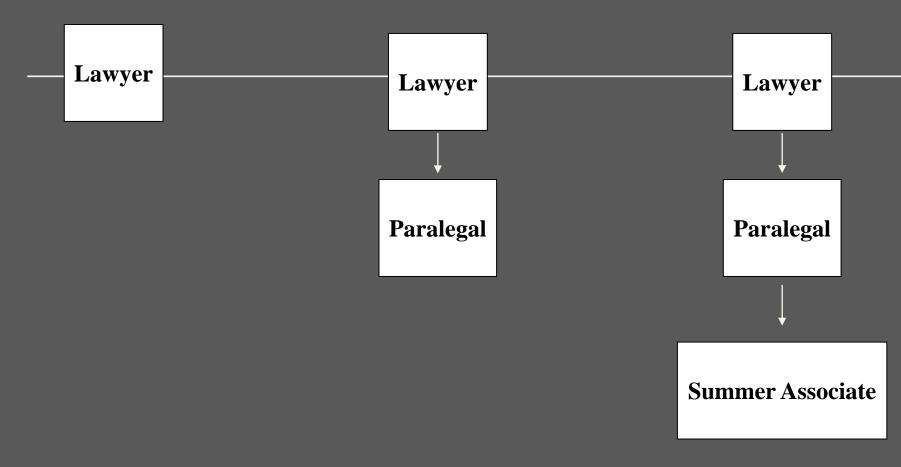
**Substantial control** if the individual meets **any** of four general criteria:

- (1) The individual is a senior officer;
- (2) The individual has authority to appoint or remove certain officers or a majority of directors of the reporting company;
- (3) The individual is an important decision-maker; or
- (4) The individual has any other form of substantial control over the reporting company.

#### APPLICANTS

- Individual who **directly** files or **primarily is responsible for directing or controlling** such filing of the application to create or register the Reporting Company to do business in the United States.
- Never more than 2 Applicants per Reporting Company.
- Only applies to Reporting Companies created or registered to do business in the United States on or after January 1, 2024.

## APPLICANT EXAMPLES



#### **Penalties**

- Willfully provide false or fraudulent information or fail to report or update.
- \$500 per day (capped at \$10,000) or imprisoned up to 2 years, or both.
- Safe Harbor

#### **Beneficial Ownership Secure System**

• Limited access and confidentiality

#### Resources

- BOI Small Entity Compliance Guide
- FinCEN website

## OTHER STUFF YOU SHOULD KNOW

## WHAT YOU CAN/SHOULD DO

- Add/modify language to primary agreements
  - Bylaws and Operating Agreements
  - Shareholders Agreements
  - Purchase Agreements
  - Subscription Agreements
- Firm's internal filing and formation process
- Scope of Engagement

## QUESTIONS?

a presentation by Travis D. Lovett

## Section Two

#### **Developments in Business Valuation**

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# Developments in BUSINESS VALUATION





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**Experience:** 31 years

**Designations:** Business Valuation, Equipment Appraisal, Exit Planning, and M&A

Memberships:













#### **OVERVIEW OF SESSION**

Daubert Update | Rule 702



**Using a Business Valuation Expert** 



Updates in Business Valuation Multiples



## Daubert Update Rule 702



#### DAUBERT V. MERREL DOW (1993)

#### Evidentiary Standards Shift

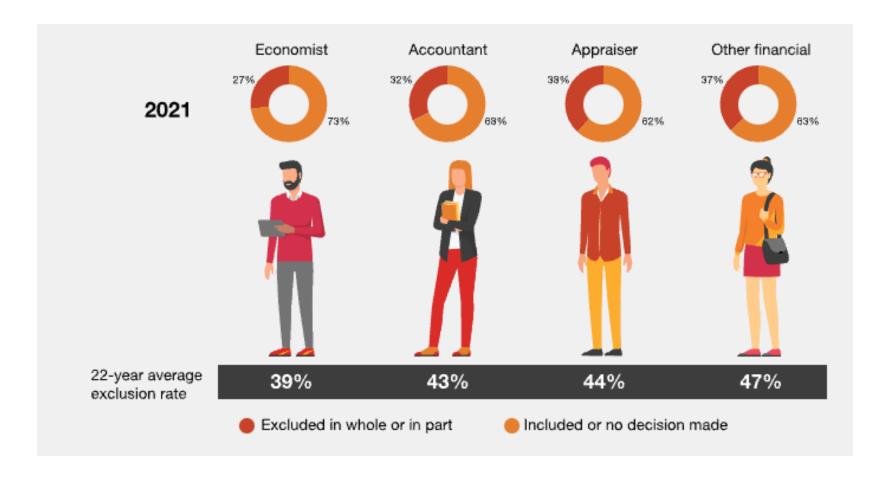
- Background: 1993, Supreme Court revisited standards in Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- Ruling: Court held that Federal Rules of Evidence, particularly Rule 702, replaced Frye's "general acceptance" test

#### Federal Standard Explanation

- Key Points: Federal standard encompasses general acceptance but focuses on scientific validity and application
- Judicial Role: Trial judges act as "gatekeepers," making final calls on evidence admissibility and expert witness acceptance in their courtrooms



#### Note "Excluded Rate"



#### **AMENDMENT TO RULE 702**

#### **Before**

A witness who is qualified as an expert by knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education may testify in the form of an opinion or otherwise if:

- (a) the expert's scientific, technical, or other specialized knowledge will help the trier of fact to understand the evidence or to determine a fact in issue;
- (b) the testimony is based on sufficient facts or data;
- (c) the testimony is the product of reliable principles and methods; and
- (d) the expert has reliably applied the principles and methods to the facts of the case.

#### After

A witness who is qualified as an expert by knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education may testify in the form of an opinion or otherwise if the proponent demonstrates to the court that it is more likely than not that:

- (a) The expert's scientific, technical, or other specialized knowledge will help the trier of fact to understand the evidence or to determine a fact in issue;
- (b) The testimony is based on sufficient facts or data;
- (c) The testimony is the product of reliable principles and methods; and
- (d) The expert has reliably applied expert's opinion reflects a reliable application of the principles and methods to the facts of the case.



#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

#### **Preponderance of Evidence Standard:**

- a) Emphasizes expert qualification based on meeting Rule 702 criteria by a "more likely than not" threshold.
- b) Courts previously misapplied the rule, prompting the update.
- c) Focuses on admissibility, not evidence weight, once the threshold is met.

#### Level of Helpfulness Required:

- a) The amended rule emphasizes an expert's role in aiding fact-finders.
- b) Rejects the notion of a higher standard than "helpfulness," deeming it unnecessarily strict.

#### **Judicial Gatekeeping and Expert Boundaries:**

- a) Emphasizes judicial oversight in limiting an expert's opinion to what's reliable from their methodology.
- b) It aims to prevent unsupported claims while not demanding perfection in expression.
- c) Recognizes jurors might lack specialized knowledge to assess scientific reliability or unsupported claims.



#### **HOW TO SPOT AN INFERIOR BUSINESS VALUATION EXPERT**

- ✓ Are methodologies generally accepted?
- ✓ Are methodologies correctly employed?
- ✓ Is the capitalization/discount rate supported and justified?
- ✓ Are there math errors in the report?
- ✓ Is the valuation computer-generated?
- ✓ Is the report balanced? Does the valuation present a fair, accurate, and balanced view of the company, or does it purposely omit or exclude specific facts or issues that might skew the value toward one party?
- ✓ Does the appraiser understand the company? How much is about the company vs. the boilerplate that came with the software?
- ✓ Is the expert subject to a potential conflict of interest?



## Using a Business Valuation Expert



#### THE TOOLS FOR THE JOB

#### Tool



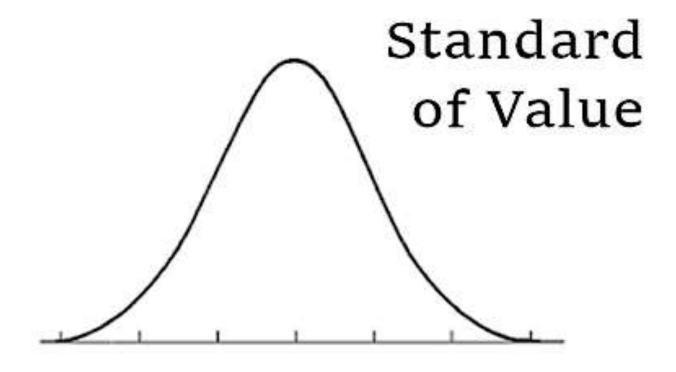


#### **Appraiser**

- Litigation
- Estate & Gift
- Divorce
- Sale
- IP & Trademarks
- Industry Specialists



#### HOW ATTORNEYS SELECT THE WRONG TOOL





#### **CURRENT EVENTS**

#### Trump's Own Witness in Fraud Trial Admits He Knows Nothing About Finances

#### Tori Otten

Fri, November 17, 2023 at 12:40 PM EST · 2 min read







One of Donald Trump's expert witnesses in the New York business fraud trial admitted Friday that he is not, in fact, an expert.

Steven Laposa first took the stand Thursday to discuss the valuation of Trump's real estate holdings. The New York attorney general has accused Trump and his allies of fraudulently inflating the value of their real estate assets to get more favorable terms on bank loans.

Laposa said the attorney general's approach to valuation was "flawed" because it relied on a market value analysis of Trump's properties. He argued it should have been based on the investment value, which takes into account the owner's investment requirements.

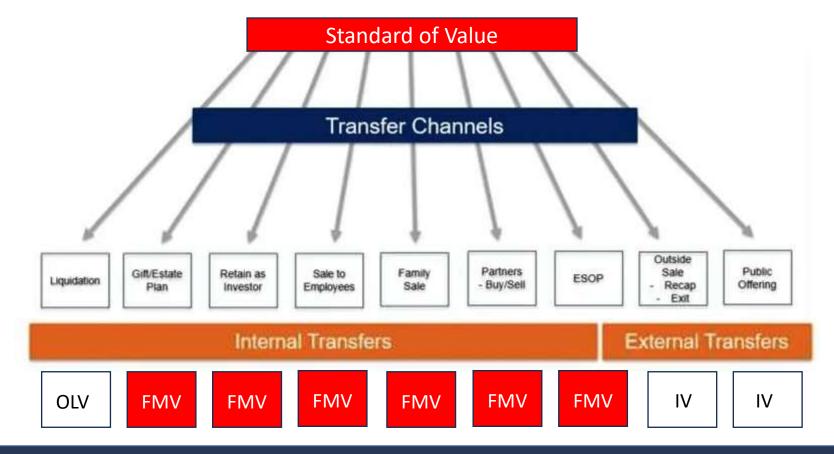


#### STANDARD OF VALUE

- In many situations, the standard of value is legally mandated by law or by legally binding contracts.
- In other cases, it is based on the parties' wishes.
- It addresses the questions: "value to whom?" and "under what circumstances?"
- The standard of value often helps determine what valuation methods are appropriate and what factors should or should not be considered.



### STANDARD OF VALUE IN THE TRANSFER OF BUSINESS OWNERSHIP





### STANDARD OF VALUE – MATCHING VALUATION PURPOSES WITH VALUATION STANDARDS

Purpose of Valuation	Applicable Standard of Value
Gift, estate, and inheritance taxes and charitable contributions	Fair market value
Purchase or sale	Investment value / Market Value
Marital dissolution	No statutory standards of value – case law dependent
Buy-sell agreements	Parties can do anything they want.
Dissenting stockholder actions	Fair value in almost all states
Minority oppression action	Fair value in those states that address it at all
Employee stock ownership plans	Fair market value
Ad valorem taxes	Generally, fair market value
Going private	Fair value in most states
Corporate or partnership dissolutions	Fair value under minority oppression statutes
Antitrust cases	Damages based on federal case law precedent
Other damage cases	Mostly governed by state statute and case law
Financial reporting	Fair value, as defined by FASB



#### **CULPRIT: FAIR MARKET VALUE DEFINITION**

"The price at which the property would change hands between a willing buyer and a willing seller when the former is not under any compulsion to buy and the latter is not under any compulsion to sell, both parties having reasonable knowledge of the relevant facts."

Revenue Ruling 59-60



## Market Participants Fair Market Value Real World

- Hypothetical
- Plentiful
- Acting on own self interest

- Real people or entities
- May be limited
- May or may not be rational in acting on their own behalf or the behalf of others



#### Arm's Length Transaction

#### **Fair Market Value**

#### **Real World**

- Buyer and seller are independent
- Both act accordingly

- Various elements of compulsion, duress, etc
- Exclusive knowledge giving a negotiated competitive advantage



#### Willing to Trade

#### **Fair Market Value**

- Buyer and seller are hypothetical
- Buyer and Seller are both willing to enter into a transaction
- Unwillingness for any reason is not a factor

#### **Real World**

 Either party can prevent a transaction for a variety of reasons.



#### Reasonable Knowledge

#### Fair Market Value

### Both parties are informed of the property

 Both parties are knowledgeable of alternate investments

#### **Real World**

 Either party may or may not have more knowledge concerning the property and/or the market



## **Absence of Compulsion**Fair Market Value Real World

If the price is right

- A variety of reasons for sale
  - Business planning and value enhancement
  - Retirement planning
  - Merger or Acquisition
  - Seeking outside investors
  - Getting a divorce
  - Entering bankruptcy
  - Planning for an IPO



#### **Negotiating Skills**

#### **Fair Market Value**

#### Real World

Both parties have similar negotiating skills

 Parties and their advisors may or may not have superior negotiating skills



### FAIR MARKET VALUE V. REAL WORLD

### **Economic Factors**

### **Fair Market Value**

 Based only on the merits of the "investment" in comparing "it" to alternative investments (ala "Principle of Substitution")

### **Real World**

- Sale may be influenced by:
  - Strategic Motivations
  - Synergistic Motivations
  - Emotional Motivations
  - Financial Motivations



### FAIR MARKET VALUE V. REAL WORLD

## Cash Equivalent Values

### **Fair Market Value**

### **Real World**

Cash

- Cash or Cash Equivalents
  - Cash
  - Seller Notes
  - Buyer Stock
  - Conventional & Unconventional Debt Instruments
  - Earnouts
  - Non Competes
  - Consulting Agreements
  - Employment Agreements



### FAIR MARKET VALUE V. REAL WORLD

### Rational Markets

### Fair Market Value

### **Real World**

- Always Rational
- Always Consistent

 Markets experience times of euphoria and times of panic; both which may occur within short periods



### THE MARKETPLACE AND VALUE RELATIVITY

### The Marketplace follows a concept of:

### Value Relativity

- The Owner's goals chooses the possible Buyer Types (Exit Channel)
- Different Buyer Types reward different Value Drivers
- A business value is Relative to each different Buyer

Therefore every private company has dozens of correct values at one point in time



# Market Multiples Seller's Discretionary Earnings & EBITDA



# WHAT ATTORNEYS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT M&A BUSINESS VALUATION

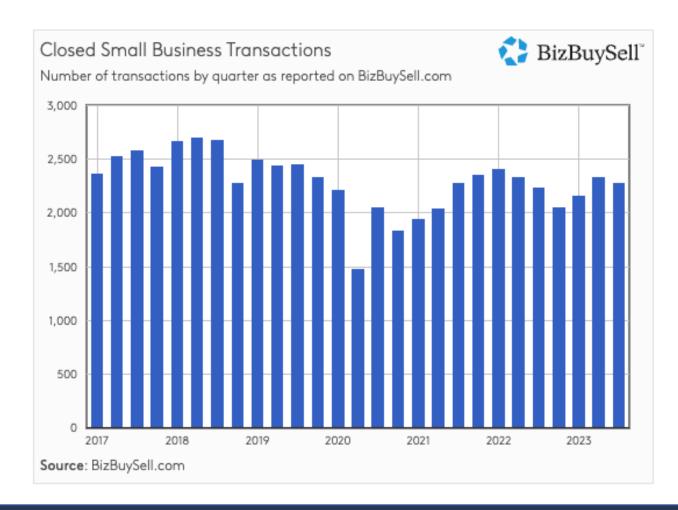
- Buyer's Expected Earnings X Buyer's Multiple = Value
- Earnings Can Be Different Depending on the Buyer
- The buyer can have a different multiple based on his/her risk tolerance



### **BIZBUYSELL OVERVIEW**



- Small business acquisitions experienced a 2% year-over-year growth in Q3 2023.
- Data sourced from BizBuySell's Insight Report, analyzing U.S. business-for-sale transactions and sentiments gathered from surveys of business owners, buyers, and brokers.
- The report documented 2,281 businesses sold on BizBuySell in Q3 2023.
- These transactions represented an enterprise value of approximately \$1.65 billion, reflecting a 4% increase compared to the \$1.59 billion reported during the same period last year.





### **BIZBUYSELL OVERVIEW**



- Note the Avg Revenue Multiple and Average Avg Cash Flow Multiple
- Most businesses must have earnings in excess of \$100,000
- Multiples at this level are generally static, but there are outliers.



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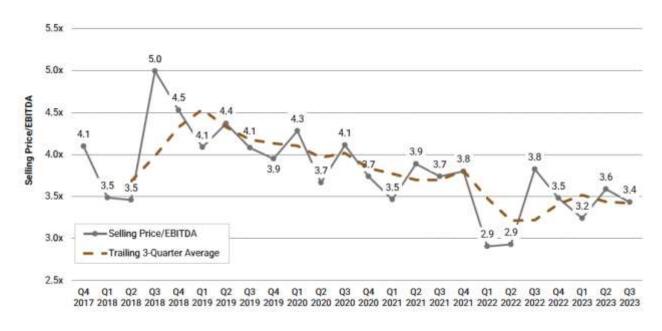
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### **DEALSTATS OVERVIEW**



- EBITDA multiples, across all industries, peaked at 5.0x in the third quarter of 2018.
- A downward trend persisted from this peak until the second quarter of 2022.
- Since then, EBITDA multiples have shown an upward trend, reaching 3.6x in Q2 2023.
- However, a slight decrease was observed in the third quarter of 2023, dipping to 3.4x.

### **EBITDA Multiples**



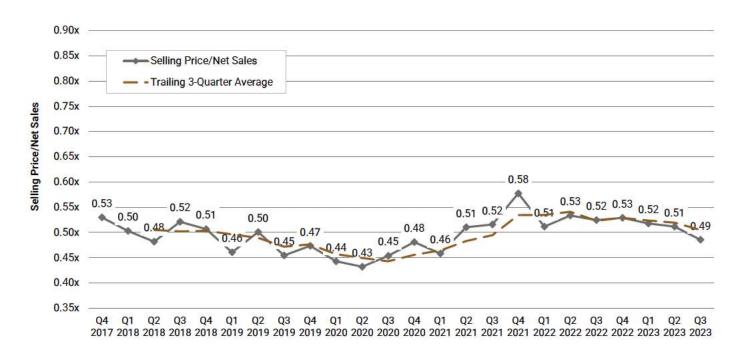


### **DEALSTATS OVERVIEW**



- Net sales multiples reached their peak at 0.58x in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- Subsequently, there was a decrease to 0.49x in the third quarter of 2023.
- From the third quarter of 2020 onward, there has been a general upward trend in net sales multiples, according to the three-quarter trailing average.

### **Revenue Multiples**



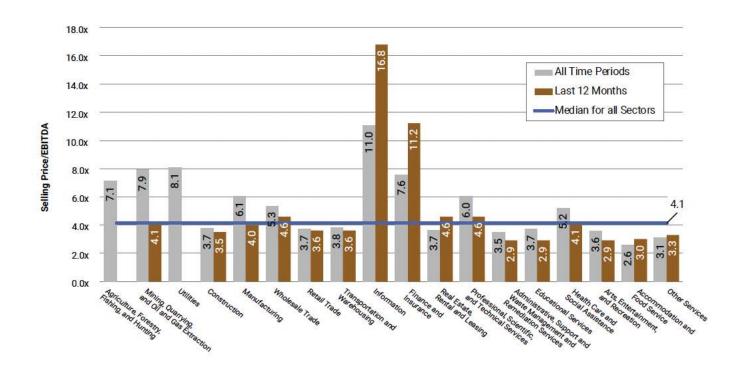


### **DEALSTATS OVERVIEW**



- All-time highest EBITDA multiples:
  - Information Sector: 11.0x
  - Utilities Sector: 8.1x
- All-time lowest EBITDA multiples:
  - Accommodation and Food Services: 2.6x
  - Other Services Sectors: 3.1x
- Median EBITDA multiple across all industry sectors for all time periods: 4.1x

### **Median EBITDA Multiples Across All Sectors**





### **LOWER-MIDDLE MARKET SELLERS**

### Seller activity:

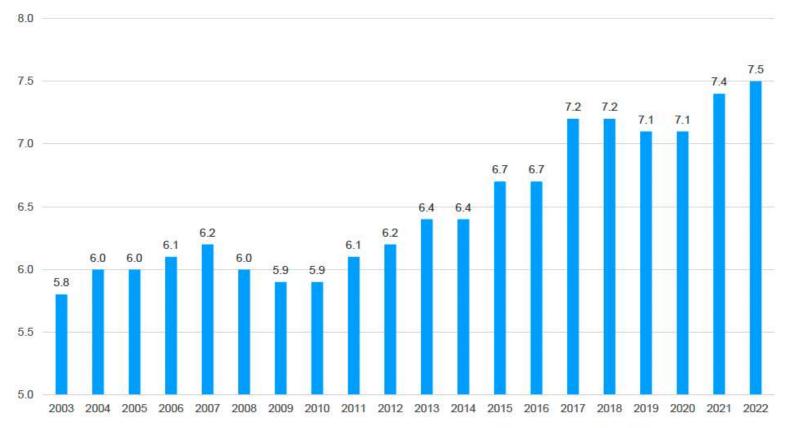
- Baby Boomers (ages 57-72) make up most of owners.
- 92% of Non-Tech Companies owned by "Boomers".
- 75% of Tech Companies owned by "Boomers".
- Valuations are at all-time highs. (See buyer demand)

### Issues holding back Sellers:

- Many owners are risk-averse and comfortable with a lifestyle business.
- Most owners have their net-worth tied up in their business.
- Safe investment returns won't replace business earnings.
- Distance from disruptive historical financials (EBITDA-C)



### LOWER-MIDDLE MARKET EBITDA MULTIPLES



Source: GF Data Resources



## **TOTAL ENTERPRISE VALUE (TEV)/EBITDA**

TEV	2003 -2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD 2023	Total	N =
10-25	5.8	6.1	5.9	6.1	6.5	5.7	5.9	1848
25-50	6.5	7.0	6.7	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.7	1446
50-100	7.5	7.5	8.0	8.3	8.5	7.7	7.7	997
100-250	8.1	9.2	8.7	9.3	9.1	9.6	8.5	549
250 - 500	8.9	11.0	11.6	10.9	10.1	10.3	10.0	74
Total	6.6	7.1	7.0	7.6	7.6	7.2	6.8	
N =	3276	335	341	499	328	135		4914

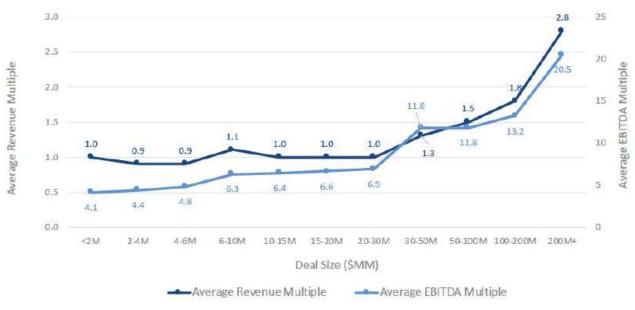
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### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MULTIPLES & DEAL SIZE

EBITDA multiples and revenue multiples had an inflection point increase above ~\$25M deals.

Revenue and EBITDA Multiple by Deal Size (Figure 3.3)



Source: AMAA Deal Survey







# Thank you!

Questions? Comments? Clarification?



# Section Three

### Introduction to Transactional Risk Insurance

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# Introduction to Transactional Risk Insurance

**David Bartoletti** 



# Agenda

Learn how Transactional Risk Insurance can benefit your client.

Understand the different Types of Transactional Risk Products
 Available and key industry terms that define scope of coverage.

- Understand the basic process of obtaining RWI and the path from engagement to obtaining coverage.
- Understand (from a high level) Transactional Risk product pricing



### What is Transactional Risk Insurance

Insuring risks arising in respect to transactions (i.e., deals).

- What deals? Any deal.
- What risks? Different products cover different risks:
  - Unknown (Latent) Liability Representations and Warranties Insurance
  - Tax Audit and/or Assessment Tax Insurance
  - Known Issues Developing into a Dollar Loss Contingent Risk Insurance



# Representations & Warranties Insurance - Product Overview

- Scope of Coverage: Insurance against breaches of representations and warranties of Seller (and Company).
  - The Policy sits back-to-back with the purchase agreement and disclosure schedules
- Insured: Buyer or Seller
- Coverage Period: 6/7-years from Closing (or for additional premium, signing) for fundamental representations, tax and ERISA, 3-years for all other representations.
- Retention (i.e., deductible): Tied to a factor of EV (enterprise value)
- **Policy Limitations**: Certain matters may be removed from the scope of insurance either at the quote stage or in response to the underwriter's due diligence. Common forms of policy limitations include:
  - "Exclusions,"
  - Deemed re-writing of the representations and warranties subject to coverage (for purposes of the Policy only), or
  - Deemed inclusion of disclosures against the representations (for purposes of the Policy only).
- Definition of Loss: follows that of the agreement, so long as silent for punitive and exemplary damages, grants of diminution of value and lost profits
- **Subrogation**: For buy-side policies, is limited to fraud of the seller (not known to be exercised in fact)



# Why Buy – Representations & Warranties Insurance

Benefits for the "Buyer"	Benefits for the "Seller"
Enables a clean exit	Improved certainty of payment due to insurer's superior credit rating
Easing of deadlocks and facilitation of an ongoing transactions	Protects investment and supports lending for the transaction
Immediate distribution of sales proceeds with a reduced need for escrows	Enhances the bid position and enables the transaction negotiations
A more attractive target	Increases Board transaction comfort
Potential for a higher valuation	Protects against future disputes involving target management
Specialist liability coverage	First party coverage
Covers unknown seller fraud	Carrier rights of subrogation "never" invoked



## The RWI Process

**Broker Solicits** Post-Call - Policy Insurer engages counsel, begins Negotiation & Quotes and **Insured Selects Underwriting Call** Find & Engage Broker Policy Bound Follow-Ups from Presents to an Insurer underwriting Insured process

- How long does the process take? As little as 1 week, most commonly 2-3 weeks.
- **Do I need a Broker?** Yes. Insurers are by law required to work through brokers. Brokers help:
  - Insurer select the right underwriter for the deal
  - Facilitate negotiations between insurer and insured
- The Underwriting Process
  - Insurer will request datasite access, "due diligence reports" or other documentation of buyer's due diligence
  - Insurer and its legal and accounting counsel will review these reports and compile questions.
  - Questions will be provided in the form of an agenda to an underwriting call
  - Underwriting call takes between 1.5 and 2 hours, insurer asks questions of buyer and its advisors.
  - Following the call (within 24 hours), a draft of the insurance policy is provided for insured comment, together with
    questions arising from the call that will help insurer get more comfort with specific issues (and if favorable responses
    are received, expand scope of coverage from its initial draft which may contain exclusions from coverage).
  - Policies generally bind at signing. In a simultaneous sign and close, binding and inception are the same. In a delayed sign and close, policies can incept at signing for additional premium.



# Normal Open Market Pricing into 2023

Normal Current Market Rates				
<u>Limit</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>ROL</u>		
\$2,000,000	\$90,000	4.50%		
\$3,000,000	\$100,000	3.00%		
\$4,000,000	\$115,000	2.88%		
\$5,000,000	\$135,000	2.70%		
\$6,000,000	\$156,000	2.60%		
\$7,000,000	\$170,000	2.43%		
\$8,000,000	\$190,000	2.38%		
\$9,000,000	\$210,000	2.33%		
\$10,000,000	\$230,000	2.30%		

- Rates are the lowest seen in years driven by fewer deal opportunities for underwriters
- Underwriting fees remain between \$30,000 and \$40,000
- Average deal purchase between 10% and 15% of EV as the limit
- Carriers are managing limits prefer to hold at \$20 million to \$25 million primary limit
- Excess rates are 70% to 80% of the underlying limit sometimes more aggressive



### Tax Insurance - Product Overview

- Coverage: Loss arising respect to a specified "known" tax risk.
  - "Loss" is defined generally as worst case scenario tax due, plus interest, penalties and defense costs.
- Insured: "Taxpayer" and potentially owner(s) affected by the taxpayer.
- Limit of Liability: Varies case-by-case, but ultimately up to the insured.
- Duration of Coverage: Generally through the statute of limitations for IRS assessment.
- Common Questions:
  - Q1: How much does it cost?
  - A1: 2-6% of the desired limit of liability, plus underwriting fee and broker fee.
  - Q2: Can defense costs be covered?
  - A2: Yes.
  - Q3: What if I am already under audit, can I get coverage?
  - A3: Yes, but you will need to prepare in your submission for quotes a good reason as to why you think you will prevail
    on audit.
  - Q4: What if I lose on audit, but still think I can win on appeal. Can I get coverage?
  - A4: Yes, but be prepared for higher premiums (and having a good explanation for why you can win).



# **Contingent Risk Insurance - Product Overview**

- Coverage: Loss arising respect to a specified "known" tax risk.
  - "Loss" is defined generally as the worst case scenario of the known risk coming to fruition, including penalties, legal fees, etc.
- Insured: Specified persons adversely affected by the covered risk.
  - Coverage is with respect to a specified "known" risk.
  - "Loss" is defined generally as the worst case scenario of the known risk coming to fruition.
- Limit of Liability: Varies case-by-case, but ultimately up to the insured.
- **Duration of Coverage:** Varies case-by-case to match exposure duration (or less if desired by insured)
- Pricing: Variable (but defined as a percentage of the total liability), rates can vary widely given the broad scope of contingent risk coverage scenarios.
- Questions:
  - Can you give me some examples of a contingent risk product?
    - Target to prevail in litigation (insurance covers loss).
    - Target to prevail in appeal where target lost in district court (insurance covers loss)
    - Target to collect on specified accounts receivable
- Defense Costs: With additional premium, defense costs will be "advanced."



# Why Buy – Tax or Contingent Risk Insurance

Tax Insurance	Contingent Risk Insurance		
"Locks in" Risk Exposure for financial purposes.			
Easing of deadlocks and facilitation of an ongoing transaction (e.g., sale transaction)			
Facilitates clean walk-away in tax credit transactions.	Limits downside risk in a transaction with high variability (e.g., lender-side coverage)		
Can be used as a litigation funding mechanism (i.e., by advancing defense costs under the Policy)	Can be used as a litigation funding mechanism (i.e., by advancing defense costs under the Policy)		



# **Key Terminology**

- Broker's Fee amount charged by broker for coverage.
- Coverage Period the amount of time in which a claim can be made following binding of
- Inception The date coverage begins, this can be different than the date the policy "binds" or closes.
- Insured:
  - Buyer in a "Buy-Side RWI Policy"
  - Seller in a "Sell-Side RWI Policy"
  - "Target" in any other product (i.e., whomever has the risk subject to insurance)
- Limit of Liability maximum amount payable by the insurer.
- Loss varies by product, but generally speaking, the amount that needs to be paid out by insurer in the event
  of a claim.
- Premium cost to buy insurance paid at binding.
- Retention amount that must be paid by the insured before
- RWI or R&W Representations & Warranties Insurance
- Subrogation customary meaning, but focused on the target not buyer.
- Underwriting Fee amount paid up-front to cover underwriter's expenses to conduct due diligence on the deal.



# Section Four

# **Navigating Employment Law** in the Era of Remote Work

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Greg Guevara is a partner in the Labor and Employment Group at Bose McKinney & Evans. As a highly responsive business advisor and employment litigator, Greg helps his clients by understanding their objectives and offering practical legal advice tailored to their unique situations and desired outcomes. He provides aggressive and ethical advocacy to a broad range of clients, including privately held businesses, non-profit organizations and national companies, as well as executives, physicians, and other professionals.

He concentrates his practice on labor and employment law and litigation, including:

- Non-competition, non-solicitation and confidentiality agreements
- Emergency injunctions
- Defense of discrimination/EEO claims
- Wage/hour compliance and litigation
- Disability/reasonable accommodation
- FMLA/leaves of absence
- Sexual harassment and workplace investigations
- Severance and executive employment agreements
- Personnel policies/employee handbooks
- Reductions-in-force
- · Union avoidance, unfair labor practices and collective bargaining

Greg practices in the federal and state courts in Indiana and Ohio, federal and state agencies (EEOC, NLRB, ICRC, IOSHA, etc.), and other jurisdictions as needed.

He began his law career with Bose McKinney & Evans then practiced with the Columbus, Ohio office of Jones Day. Before returning to BME in August 2006, he spent seven years working as an executive for Reliant (formerly GCM), an international Christian mission organization based in Orlando, Florida. His experience in private practice, board governance and non-profit management gives him the ability to provide practical guidance and sound management advice to businesses dealing with a full range of employment-related issues.



#### Education

University of Michigan Law School (J.D., cum laude, 1992)

University of Michigan (B.A. with high honors and high distinction in political science, 1989); Member, *Phi Beta Kappa* 

#### Honors / Awards

Best Lawyers® 2023 Indianapolis Labor Law – Management Lawyer of the Year; Best Lawyers® 2021 Indianapolis Employment Law – Management Lawyer of the Year; Best Lawyers® 2020 Indianapolis Litigation – Labor and Employment Lawyer of the Year; The Best Lawyers in America® 2011-2024; Chambers USA 2010-2020 (Labor and Employment-Indiana); Indiana Super Lawyers® 2013-2017 (Employment Litigation: Defense, 2019-2020; Employment and Labor Law, 2013-2017)

#### Representative Matters

- Successfully defended three-year, multi-city union organizing campaign by national service employees union against Indianapolis-based commercial cleaning contractor (featured in *The Devil at Our Doorstep*, by David A. Bego).
- Won \$3.5 million judgment on breach of contract claim on behalf of regional orthopedic device distributor.
- · Secured seven-figure judgment against former CEO of credit union for fraud on a financial institution.
- Obtained preliminary injunction and six-figure monetary recovery against former employees of regional company who left to work for competitor in violation of their non-compete agreements.
- Secured permanent injunction against former account executive of national automotive manufacturing distributor for breach of non-compete agreement.
- Won non-compete/trade secret case against key employee for theft and competitive use of critical business information.
- Won preliminary injunction hearing in non-compete case on behalf of former executive of national company sued for breach of contract and unfair competition.
- Successfully defended injunction lawsuit seeking to shut down former franchisee of national home-based senior care franchise.
- Successfully opposed motion for conditional certification in FLSA collective action lawsuit filed by seven former employees of regional financial services company.
- Won summary judgment in class action wage claim under Indiana law.
- Prevailed in collective bargaining negotiations resulting in union abandoning the bargaining unit.
- Represented Indianapolis-area church in multi-fatality bus crash incident.
- · Prevailed in multiple federal and state discrimination lawsuits through summary judgment.
- Represented multiple employers in defense of wage/hour audits by the U.S. Department of Labor.
- Secured dismissal of unfair labor practice case involving alleged unlawful refusal to hire 16 union "salts."

#### Appointments / Memberships



Chairman, GCC Foundation (2017-present)

Elder and Chairman of Governing Board, Grace Church (2011-2015)

Chairman and Director, Reliant (formerly Great Commission Ministries), Orlando, Florida (2007-2014)

Director, Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, Indianapolis, Indiana (2009-2010)

Advisory Board Member, Safe Families of Indiana, Indianapolis, Indiana (2007-2008)

#### Admissions

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### Areas of Emphasis

Affirmative Action / Employee Handbooks and Policies / Employment Litigation / Food and Beverage Law / Fraternity and Sorority Law / Labor and Employment / Litigation / Management Training / Transportation / Union Avoidance

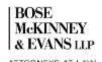


#### Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum

## Navigating Employment Law in the Era of Remote Work

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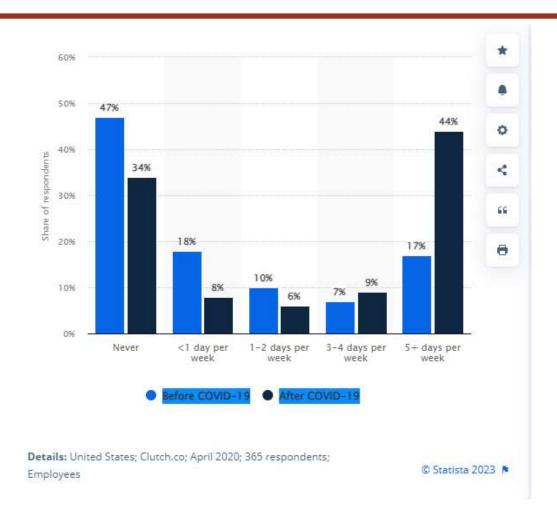


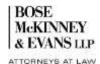
## COVID-19 Changed the Landscape for Remote Work

- Before Covid, many employers required employees to be present in the workplace as a condition of employment
- In many industries, employees must be present at the company's place of business to do their jobs, such as manufacturing, construction, logistics/shipping, retail stores/restaurants, hospitals/health care, etc.
- Exceptions were often driven by market demands, such as companies with a distributed sales force who worked remotely to be closer to customers
- With Covid, suddenly "white collar" workers began primarily working from home



## COVID-19 Changed the Landscape for Remote Work





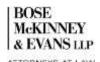
## COVID-19 Changed the Landscape for Remote Work

- Since Covid, a large percentage of American white collar workers continued to work remotely in many industries:
  - Sales
  - Financial services/insurance
  - Professional services (legal, accounting, etc.)
  - IT
  - Business executives
  - Administrative support personnel (finance, HR, etc.)
  - Public sector
  - Medicine/tele-health



#### Benefits of Remote Work for Business

- Greater flexibility for employees
  - Work hours
  - Meal/break periods
  - Commute time
- Cost savings associated with commercial office space
  - Rent savings
  - Office equipment/supplies
- Ability to recruit workers from broader geographical area
  - No longer bound by commuting distance
- Potential for improved employee morale



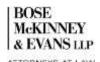
#### Challenges of Remote Work for Business

- Managing employee productivity
  - Monitoring employee activity (e.g., "mouse movers")
  - Measuring employee production
  - Impact on employee availability
- Lack of control over work environment
  - Distractions in the home work environment (e.g., kids, noise, dirty laundry, etc.)
  - Employee safety
  - Employee equipment/supplies
  - Technology challenges (e.g., internet access, remote IT access)



#### Challenges of Remote Work for Business

- Data security
- Employee connectivity/relationships
  - Onboarding of remote workers
  - Loss of face-to-face connections with coworkers
  - Loss of face-to-face connections with customers, suppliers
  - Potential negative impact on employee morale
- Inconsistent work-at-home practices
  - By type of business/industry
  - By type of job



#### Compliance with Federal Wage/ Hour Laws (FLSA)

- Non-exempt workers must be paid at least minimum wage for all hours worked, including overtime (1.5 times) for hours over 40 per workweek
- Employees must be compensated for hours worked outside of regular work hours (e.g., answering emails, phone calls, work texts, etc.)
- Employees must be paid for breaks (except meal periods of at least 20-30 minutes where employee is completely relieved of duty)
- Employers are required to keep accurate records of hours worked by non-exempt employees



#### Compliance with State Laws

- Employers must also comply with state/local employment laws where the employee lives/works
- State law wage payment and wage/hour laws
  - Different minimum wage/overtime rules
  - Different wage payment timing obligations
  - Pay upon termination rules
  - Wage deduction rules
- State worker's compensation, unemployment compensation
- State family/medical leave laws
- Registration/licensing rules



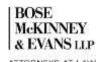
#### **I-9 Verification**

- All employed workers must complete I-9 employment eligibility verification by the third day of employment
- I-9 verification process includes the physical examination of documents by the employer
- Remote examination of documents is permissible only if the employer is enrolled in the E-Verify program



#### Compliance with International Laws

- Employment of foreign workers
  - Employment laws
  - Tax laws
  - Privacy regulations such as European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)



## Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Considerations

- In general, employers may require employees to report to company work location as a condition of employment
- Working from home may be a "reasonable accommodation" for an employee who has a "disability" if it enables the worker to perform his or her "essential job functions"
  - Disability limitations may be physical (e.g., mobility restrictions, sensory limitations, etc.) or mental (e.g., emotional health)
- Employers must provide such accommodation unless doing so would create an "undue hardship" on the employer
  - Proliferation of remote work makes it harder to argue undue hardship

#### **Equal Employment Opportunity Considerations**

- Remote work practices also create risks of discrimination claims
- Remote work opportunities must be provided based upon legitimate, nondiscriminatory considerations
- Employers who pick and choose who may work remotely or who favor some employees in allowing remote work may be subjected to claims of discrimination on the basis of race, gender, age, etc.



#### Protection of Intellectual Property/ Confidential Information

- Remote workers often have access to highly confidential business information, such as:
  - Customer names, contact information, demands/ specifications
  - Financial reports
  - Cost/pricing data
  - Business plans, strategy, etc.
- "Trade Secrets" employer must take reasonable steps to protect secrecy of information



#### Protection of Intellectual Property/ Confidential Information

- Remotely maintained data is much more difficult to secure
  - Company-owned devices are less accessible to the employer
  - Remote access to company devices may be more challenging
  - Confidential information maintained on personal devices (home desktops, laptops, smart phones, external drives, etc.) is particularly at risk



#### **Restrictive Covenant Agreements**

- State law provides limited protection to employers with respect to confidential information and post-termination competitive activity
  - Common law property rights
  - Trade secrets laws
- Absent enforceable restrictive covenants agreement, employees are generally free to compete when they leave employment



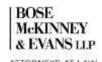
#### Restrictive Covenant Agreements

- Law governing restrictive covenants vary widely by state depending on type of restriction
  - Confidentiality/non-disclosure agreements
  - Covenants against soliciting/servicing customers
  - Covenants against soliciting/hiring employees
  - Covenants against competition (i.e., "non-competes")
- Employers should ensure:
  - Narrowly tailored covenants that comply with applicable law
  - State specific agreements or state specific addenda
  - Choice of law/choice of venue provisions



#### Restrictive Covenant Agreements

- Agreement should also include return of property/deletion of data/remote access provision
- Company should have a specific mechanism in place for retrieving data from remote employees upon termination



#### FTC Proposed Non-Compete Rule (January 2023)

- Federal Trade Commission announced proposed rule that would invalidate employment-based non-compete agreements as an unfair method of competition
  - The proposed rule does not apply to restrictions on soliciting/servicing customers, on employee no-solicit/nohire provisions, or to confidentiality agreements
  - Notice comment period has closed, but FTC has deferred further action until 2024



#### NLRB Non-Compete Memorandum

- GC-23-08 (May 30, 2023)
  - NLRB General Counsel memo announced that employment-based non-compete agreements violate the NLRA because they have the effect of chilling employees' exercise of Section 7 rights
  - Such agreements are unlawful when they "could be reasonably construed by employees to deny them the ability to quit or change jobs by cutting off their access to other employment opportunities"
  - This pronouncement would not apply to "supervisors,"
     who are exempt from Section 7 protections
    - There are no NLRB decisions yet on this position

#### Social Media Usage by Employees

- Risks associated with employee use of social media may be heightened by remote work force
- Social media policies should require employees to follow employment policies while using social media (e.g., not using discriminatory/harassing language, not disclosing confidential information, etc.)
- Employers must be cautious in enforcing social media rules relating to criticism of the company or management due to NLRA protections (i.e., protected concerted activity)



#### **Drug Free Workplace Policies**

- Many employers have rules prohibiting employees from reporting to work under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- In many states, the medicinal or recreational use of marijuana has been decriminalized, making it easier for employees to access marijuana
- Under federal law, and in most states even where marijuana use is legal, employees who test positive for marijuana are not protected from disciplinary action or even termination
- Employers should check state and local laws before taking action against employees based on marijuana use



#### Remote Work Best Practices

- Develop/publish customized, comprehensive remote work policies
- Ensure that policies are applied in a uniform, nondiscriminatory manner
- Review state/local laws in each jurisdiction where employees live/work to ensure compliance
- Prepare state law handbook addenda to comply with each state's law where employees work
- Review/update restrictive covenant agreements for all remote workers



#### Remote Work Best Practices

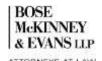
- Require employees to utilize company-owned equipment for all data management
- If employees use personal electronic equipment, utilize proprietary software to remote access/control data management
- Consider enrollment in E-Verify to facilitate remote completion of I-9 process
- Provide management training regarding supervision and oversight of remote workers



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## Section Six

## Transactional Real Estate Issues in M&A and Beyond

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# Transactional Real Estate Issues in M&A and Beyond

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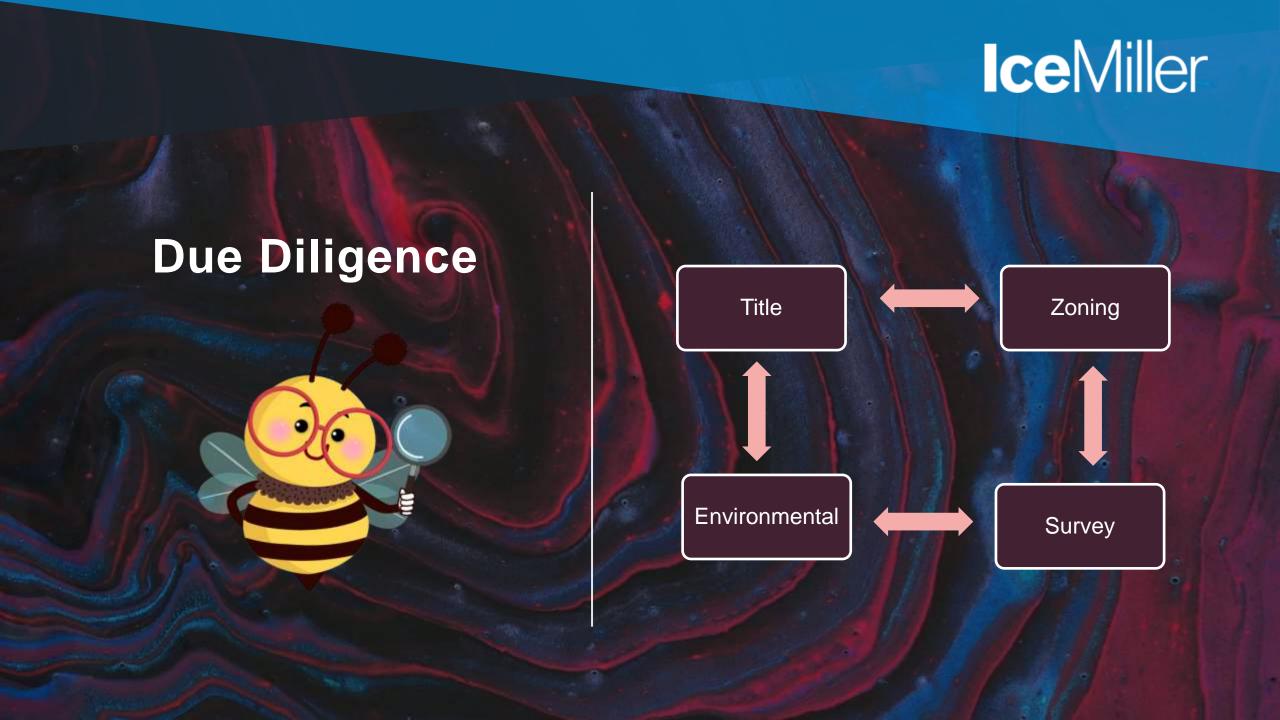
- Determines how the business interacts with place and people
- Can be an opportunity or constraint
- Can be held in different ways

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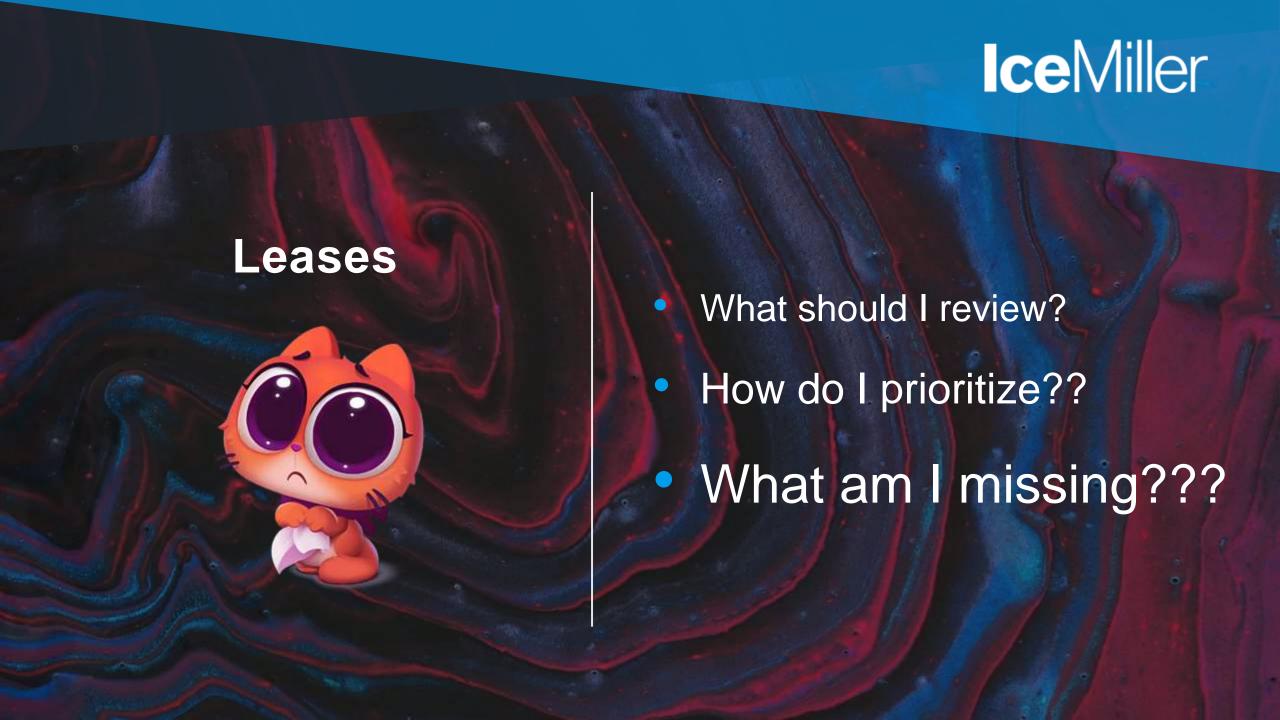




- Due diligence in M&A
  - What do I do and when?
- Managing Risk
  - Reps and warranties and more.
- Leases
  - What really matters?









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#### **Aaron Aft**



Aaron helps clients grow their businesses, build on their successes and expand their opportunities. As a partner in the Real Estate practice group at Ice Miller LLP, Aaron works with investment firms, developers, brokers, management companies, banks, non-profits, public and private companies and entrepreneurs. He is committed to delivering excellent client service, working with and advising clients through their real estate transactions, always keeping their goals and best interests at the forefront.

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# Section Seven

#### **Health Care Strategic Transactions**

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## Health Care Strategic Transactions

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## Agenda

- 1. Introduction and Practical First Steps
- 2. Acquisition Structures
- 3. Affiliation Structures
- 4. Key Considerations



#### 1. Introduction

- Health care strategic transactions is a very broad subject area we won't be able to cover everything there is to know in 45 minutes.
- I will provide a high level overview of some of the transaction structures health care systems, facilities and providers may elect to pursue.
- My overview will also touch on some of the key legal issues that can arise in health care transactions.
- There are many topics I will not address, including purchase price provisions, earn-outs, adjustment mechanisms, valuation, tax and taxexempt issues and pre-merger approval requirements, among others.



## **Practical First Steps**

- The strategic aim of many health care transactions, particularly those involving health systems, tends to develop gradually over the course of several months or even longer.
- Given the wide variety of structures the parties to a transaction may elect to pursue, it's critical to understand what a proposed transaction is intended to achieve.
- The more you can learn up front, the better positioned you'll be to advise your client on what transaction structures may make the most sense in light of their objectives.
- Don't assume that the parties will have a fully formed understanding of how a particular transaction will need to work.



- Asset Purchase Transaction: The buyer acquires some or all of the assets of the target entity. In many cases, asset purchase agreements are "cash out" deals that permit the target entity to distribute cash to its owners, and to eventually wind-up operations and dissolve.
  - Pros: The buyer is able to acquire specific assets and often times assume only selected liabilities.
  - Cons: CMS regulations may effectively force the buyer to assume responsibility for previously existing regulatory liabilities; the parties may incur additional costs related to taxes; asset purchases may be more labor-intensive than other structures due to the need to obtain consents and create asset schedules.



- Equity Purchase Transaction: A stock sale does not involve the direct transfer of assets. Rather, the shares of the target entity are transferred to the buyer.
  - Pros: Stock purchases can minimize tax consequences, particularly to the target entity's shareholders, and they often require less documentation and fewer contractual consents.

 Cons: Stock sales can also be significantly complicated by the presence of dissenting shareholders.



- Merger: Two entities legally combine into a single surviving business that owns the assets, and is responsible for both the pre- and posttransaction liabilities of both entities.
  - Pros: Because all assets and liabilities of both entities are involved, a merger may be more straightforward to execute.

 Cons: Liability considerations may require significant due diligence; the combined entity theoretically has unlimited exposure for pre-transaction liabilities.



- Member Substitutions: The buyer normally becomes the sole member of the target entity, with the power to appoint some or all of the members of the target entity's board of directors.
  - Many health systems are organized as non-profit corporations. Non-profit corporations
    do not issue equity so a traditional equity purchase transaction is not a viable option when
    one non-profit entity wants to acquire another non-profit entity.
  - Results in needing to amend the charter and bylaws of all entities directly impacted by the member substitution.
  - Pros: Member substitutions may minimize the number of approvals needed, as well as the need to create asset and liability schedules.
  - Cons: Unless there's a surviving community foundation of the target entity, there
    may be little recourse available to the buyer for exposure to pre-transaction
    liabilities.



- Management Services Organization Acquisitions: The buyer (typically a private equity sponsored health care management company) acquires all the non-clinical assets of the seller (typically a physician practice) and enters into a long term management services agreement to manage all the non-clinical aspects of the seller's practice.
  - Pros: Allows sellers to effectively liquidate their equity in their practice and provides dependable management services fee revenues for buyers.
  - Cons: Selling providers may struggle with the concept of working for someone other than themselves and buyers may struggle to improve the financial performance of the practices they manage.



- Clinical Service Line Joint Ventures: Two or more health systems enter into a contractual
  arrangement, or create a joint venture entity, to manage or develop one or more clinical
  service lines to provide services to patients of certain target hospitals.
  - Fees: The fees paid to the participating health systems or the joint venture entity need to be
    documented to be commercially reasonable and fair market value for the services rendered to the target
    hospitals.
  - Clinical service line joint venture components:
    - Provision of specialist physicians needed by the target hospitals
    - Assistance in recruiting physicians to a target hospital's geographic area
    - o Implementing new technologies, procedures, protocols and diagnostic and therapeutic capabilities
    - Staffing services, billing, equipment leasing, supplied acquisition, scheduling, compliance services, financial management, marketing, technology maintenance and development and risk management services
    - Co-branding opportunities
    - Exclusivity terms giving JV participant the first right to participate in certain future clinical service line join ventures



- Clinical Service Line Co-Management Arrangements: health system enters into a contractual arrangement, or creates a joint venture, with a physician group to manage one or more of the health system's clinical operations.
  - Fees: The fees paid to the physician group or the joint venture would need to be documented to be commercially reasonable and fair market value for the management services rendered to the health system.
  - Clinical service line joint venture components:
    - Provision of medical director and other administrative services related to management of service line
    - Assistance in recruiting physicians to the service line
    - Implementing new technologies, procedures, protocols and diagnostic and therapeutic capabilities



• Management Services Agreements: Management company, which may be affiliated with a health system or health plan, contracts a hospital, other health facility or physician group to perform management and administrative services. The management services must fulfill a legitimate business need and the compensation paid to the management company must be documented as commercially reasonable and fair market value.



- Professional Services Agreements: A health system or a physician group enters into an agreement with a hospital/health system for the provision of professional health care services to the hospital's/health system's patients.
  - Either the party providing the professional services or the party receiving the professional services can bill for the services provided pursuant to the PSA.
  - If the party receiving the professional services bills for the services, the party providing the services needs to be paid fair market value for the services.
    - FMV compensation can be based upon an hourly rate of compensation, a flat annual fee, a percentage-based compensation methodology or some other set-in-advance formula.
  - In addition to direct patient care, the professional services may include on-call coverage and administrative services.
  - Arrangement can be exclusive or non-exclusive.



- Value Based Arrangements: Under some of the newer parts of the Stark Law regulations, health systems can make payments to physicians and groups designed to achieve "value-based purposes" with respect to targeted patient populations. Value-based purposes include:
  - coordinating and managing care;
  - improving the quality of care;
  - appropriately reducing the costs (or growth in expenditures) of payors without reducing the quality of care; and
  - transitioning from volume-based payment mechanisms to mechanisms based on the quality of care and control of costs of care.
- Payments under a value based arrangement may be in addition to any other payments made for professional and/or administrative services (e.g., under a PSA), are not subject to fair market value requirements under the Stark Law, but are subject to commercial reasonability requirements unless the physicians agree to forego a portion of the payments (at least 10%) if the purposes of the value based arrangement are not achieved. Examples might include payments to independent physicians for implementing certain clinical protocols, for referring patients to lower-cost settings or services, or for achieving defined quality objectives.



- Clinically Integrated Network: A CIN is a voluntary collaboration among physicians, often
  in conjunction with a hospital or health system, to develop ongoing clinical initiatives focused
  on delivering quality, efficiency and value to ensure patients receive coordinated care across
  specialties and sites. If structured properly, the network may engage in joint managed care
  contracting, though higher reimbursement should not be the motivation for establishing the
  CIN.
  - FTC 3-Part Test. (1) A network of physicians willing to demonstrate a high degree of interdependence and cooperation through (2) a program of initiatives designed to control costs and ensure quality, which is (3) supported by an infrastructure that allows the physicians to evaluate and modify the physicians' ways of practicing.
  - Examples of Clinical Integration Elements

•	Formal/stringent medical management program	•	Cooperative delivery of high-quality, cost-effective health care
•	Protocol development and implementation	•	EHR integrated with a database of cost-effective practice protocols
•	Performance reporting	•	Aggressive management of high- cost, high-risk patients
•	Procedures for corrective action	•	Programs for Chronic disease management, post-acute care, pharmacy



- Co-Branding and Licensing Arrangements: A health system grants a target hospital the opportunity to co-brand its programs and services with the health systems' logo and trademark subject to the terms of a Co-Branding and Licensing Agreement. The conditions for the target hospital's use of the health system's logo and trademark could include:
  - Agreement to subject the use of the logo and trademark to the health system's prior review;
  - Maintaining baseline performance on jointly selected quality and safety metrics;
  - Adoption of the health system's risk management program; and
  - Collaboration with the health system to improve quality, safety, patient satisfaction and service.



- Innovation Collective: two or more health systems form an innovation collective aimed at identifying affiliation opportunities.
  - Innovation collectives typically do not include significant legal structure or commitments.
  - Do not have dedicated infrastructure of staff.
  - Members of the collective contribute personnel to a governing board and/or committees that identify opportunities for collaboration and oversee their development.
  - Costs are typically limited to contributing to legal, branding and outside consulting costs required to support the collaborative efforts of the members.



## 4. Key Considerations

- Due diligence
- Exposure to liabilities for pre-transaction activities of the target
- Pre-merger notice requirements
- Certificate of need and licensure laws
- Payor issues
- Third-party consents
- Special considerations for non-profits



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# Section Eight

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#### **Section Eight**

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## Agenda

- Artificial Intelligence Landscape
- Technology Revolutions
- Al in Action
- Practical Use Cases
- Risks



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- OpenAl announces release of "GPT App Store"
- 92% of the Fortune 500 using Al products
- Over 100 million ChatGPT daily users
- \$80B \$90B Market Valuation



## A.I.'s Threat to Jobs Prompts Question of Who Protects Workers These 20 jobs are the most "exposed" to AI,

# 300 million jobs could be affected by latest wave of Al, says Goldman Sachs

8 Risks and Dangers of Artificial Intelligence to Know

ChatGPT may be coming for our jobs.

The Impact of Artificial Intelligence - Widespread Job Losses

US experts warn AI likely to kill off jobs - and widen wealth inequality

Is AI coming for your job? ChatGPT renews fears

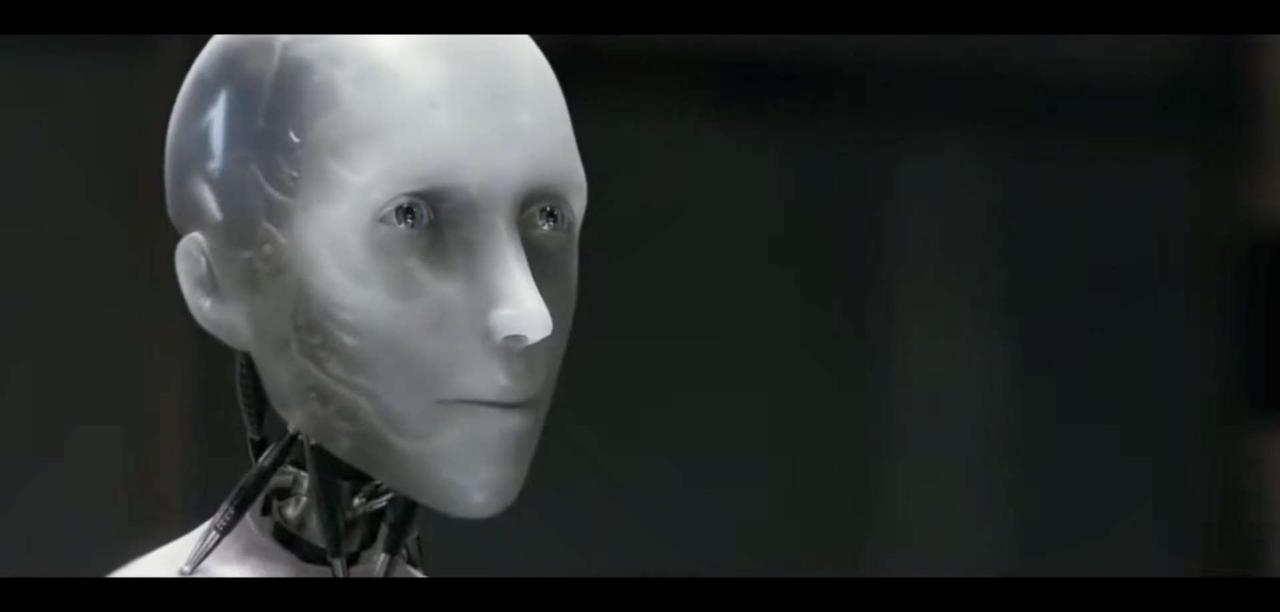


















"Inaction breeds doubt and fear. Action breeds confidence and courage. If you want to conquer fear, do not sit home and think about it. Go out and get busy."

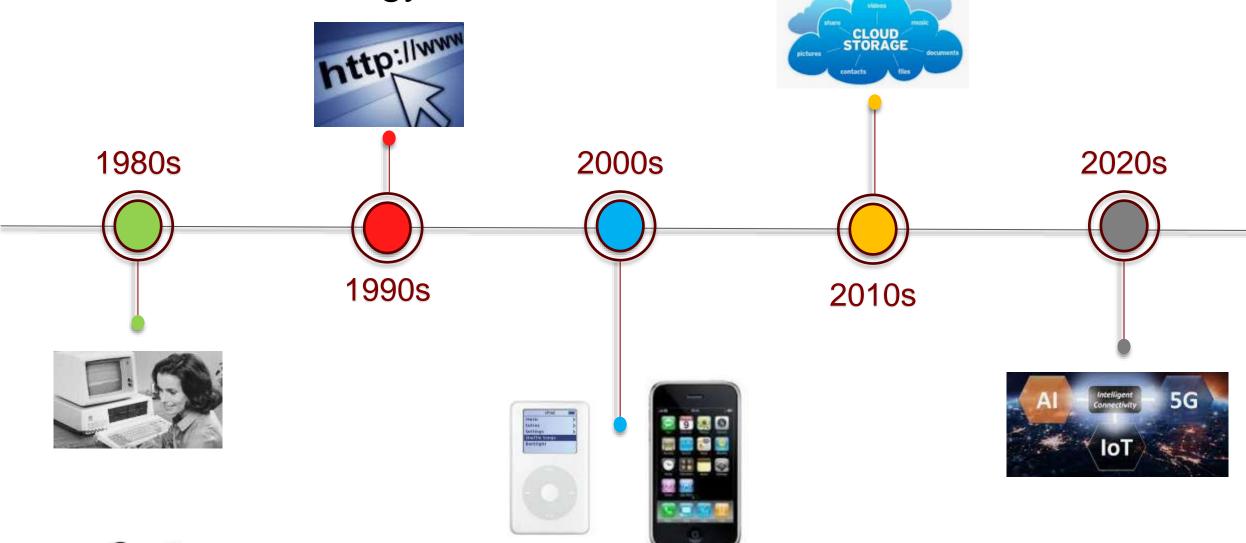
### -Dale Carnegie

"Fear is the path to the Dark Side. Fear leads to anger, anger leads to hate, hate leads to suffering.

#### -Yoda



## Modern Technology Revolutions

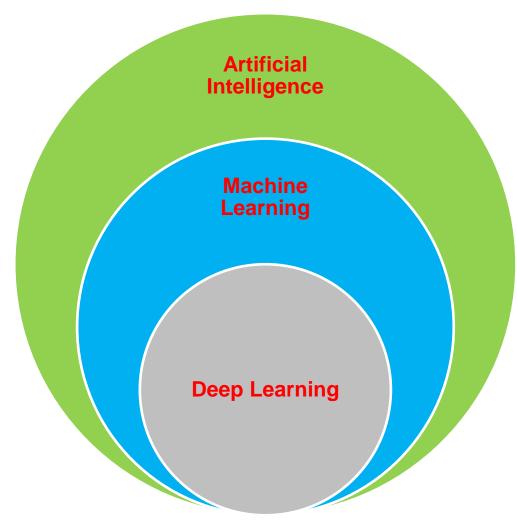




# The AI Technology Enablers **Cost of Compute Amount of Data**

90% of the worlds data was created within the last 3 years -IBM





Artificial Intelligence (AI) is human intelligence mimicked by machine algorithms, examples: Chess, Go, Facial Recognition

Machine Learning (ML) is a subset of AI algorithms to parse data, learn from data, and then make a determination or prediction. Examples: SPAM detection, preventative maintenance

Deep Learning (DL) is a subset of machine algorithms that leverage artificial neural networks to develop relationships among the data. Examples: Driverless cars, Cyber-Security, Generative AI.

## **AI Terms**



## AI in Action







- Input > Output
- Uses ALL THREE of these
  - Artificial Intelligence
  - Machine Learning
  - Deep Learning
- Be careful to add privacy screens



## AI in Action

#### Input:



Tell me a really funny joke about lawyers to say in a speech to a large audience



Sure, here is a funny joke about lawyers that you can say in a speech to a large audience:

How many lawyers does it take to change a light bulb?

None. A light bulb is a perfect sphere. There is no handle to hold onto.



## AI in Action

Input:



That one is too technical, do you have another one?



Here is another one:

What do you call a lawyer with an IQ of 70?

Your honor.

I hope you enjoyed these jokes!



## AI in Action--Research

#### Input:



how much money has Microsoft and Google invested in generative AI in The Last 5 Years



Microsoft and Google have invested a significant amount of money in generative AI in the last 5 years.

- In 2019, Microsoft invested \$1 billion in OpenAl, a non-profit research company that is developing and promoting safe and beneficial artificial
  general intelligence. This investment gave Microsoft a minority stake in OpenAl and access to its generative AI technology.
- In 2020, Google invested \$1 billion in DeepMind, a British artificial intelligence company that is known for its work on generative Al. This
  investment gave Google a majority stake in DeepMind and access to its generative Al technology.
- In 2021, Microsoft announced that it would be investing \$1 billion in AI research over the next 5 years. This investment will be used to develop new generative AI technologies, as well as to train and support AI researchers.
- In 2022, Google announced that it would be investing \$10 billion in AI research over the next 5 years. This investment will be used to develop new generative AI technologies, as well as to train and support AI researchers.

The total amount of money that Microsoft and Google have invested in generative AI in the last 5 years is approximately \$22 billion. This investment is a clear indication of the importance that these companies place on generative AI. Generative AI is a rapidly developing field with the potential to revolutionize many industries. By investing in generative AI, Microsoft and Google are positioning themselves to be at the forefront of this revolution.

In addition to their direct investments in generative AI, Microsoft and Google are also supporting the development of generative AI through their research partnerships with universities and other organizations. For example, Microsoft has research partnerships with the University of Washington, the University of California, Berkeley, and the Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence. Google has research partnerships with Stanford University of California, San Francisco, and the University of Toronto.

The research partnerships between Microsoft, Google, and other organizations are helping to accelerate the development of generative Al. These partnerships are also helping to ensure that generative Al is developed in a responsible and ethical way.

- 2019, Microsoft investing 1B in OpenAI
- 2020, Google invested 1B in DeepMind
- 2021, Microsoft investing another 1B
- 2022, Google investing 10B over next 5 yrs



## AI in Action—Talking with a robot

#### Input:



In the context of Generative AI, what does this mean: Issue: Re-Identification of Aggregated Data



Re-identification of aggregated data is a privacy concern that arises when generative Al models are used to create synthetic data that is similar to real-world data. This can be a problem because it can be used to identify individuals who were part of the original dataset, even if the data was originally anonymized.

For example, a generative AI model could be used to create synthetic medical records that are similar to real-world medical records. This synthetic data could then be used to identify patients who were part of the original dataset, even if the data was originally anonymized.

There are a number of ways to mitigate the risk of re-identification of aggregated data. One way is to use differential privacy, which is a technique that adds noise to data in order to make it more difficult to identify individuals. Another way is to use cryptography to encrypt data so that it cannot be easily read:

It is important to be aware of the risk of re-identification of aggregated data when using generative AI models. By taking steps to mitigate this risk, you can help to protect the privacy of individuals.

Here are some additional things to consider when using generative Al models:

- Use a privacy-preserving model: There are a number of generative AI models that have been designed with privacy in mind. These models
  use techniques such as differential privacy and cryptography to make it more difficult to identify individuals.
- Aggregate data carefully: When aggregating data, it is important to remove any personally identifiable information (PII). This includes things like names, addresses, and phone numbers.
- Monitor your models: Once you start using generative AI models, it is important to monitor them closely for any signs of re-identification, if
  you see any concerns, you should take steps to mitigate the risk.

By taking these steps, you can help to protect the privacy of individuals when using generative AI models.



#### Can you give me another real world example of this?



Sure. Here is another real-world example of re-identification of aggregated data:

In 2017, a team of researchers at the University of California, Berkeley, used a generative Al model to create synthetic medical records that were similar to real-world medical records. The researchers then used this synthetic data to train a machine learning model to predict the risk of heart disease.

The researchers found that the machine learning model that was trained on the synthetic data was just as accurate as a model that was trained on real-world medical records. This suggests that it is possible to use generative AI models to create synthetic data that is just as valuable as real-world data.

However, the researchers also found that it was possible to identify individuals who were part of the original dataset, even though the data was originally anonymized. This is because the synthetic data contained enough information to identify individuals, such as their age, gender, and medical history.

This example shows that it is important to be aware of the risk of re-identification of aggregated data when using generative AI models. By taking steps to mitigate this risk, you can help to protect the privacy of individuals.



## AI in Action—Business Development

#### Input:



who are the top 10 companies in the Minneapolis market who specialize in Tech Consulting services. Organize into a table, sorted by the companies who've had the most employment lawsuits filed against them



Company	Number of Employment Lawsuits
Accenture	10
Booz Allen Hamilton	- 6
Catalyst	9
Deloitte	
Everis	5
IBM	4
Infosys	3
KPMG	2
PwC Synopsys	3
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It is important to note that the number of employment lawsuits filed against a company does not necessarily indicate that the company is a bad place to work. However, it is something to consider when making a decision about where to work.

Here are some factors that can contribute to a high number of employment lawsuits:

- . The size of the company: Larger companies tend to have more employees, which means there is a greater chance of employment disputes.
- . The industry: Some industries, such as technology and healthcare, are more prone to employment disputes than others.
- The company's culture: A company with a poor work culture is more likely to have employees who file lawsuits.

If you are considering working for a company that has a high number of employment lawsuits, it is important to do your research and talk to current and former employees to get a sense of the company culture. You should also be prepared to advocate for yourself if you experience any problems at work.



## AI in Action—Contract Analysis

#### Input:



Our PM left the job and they have not had anyone available to do our work. Does any clause in this contract allow me to get out?



It is not clear whether the force majeure clause in the lease order form would allow you to get out of the contract. The clause states that neither party shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance hereunder to the extent caused by any event beyond such party's reasonable control, including, but not limited to, acts of God, war, terrorism, civil unrest, strikes, lockouts, embargoes, government orders, or other causes beyond such party's reasonable control.

It is not clear whether your PM's departure would qualify as an event beyond ESENTIO's reasonable control. This is because the clause does not specifically mention employee departures. However, it is possible that a court would find that employee departures can be considered force majeure events, depending on the specific circumstances.

If you want to be sure, you should consult with an attorney. They will be able to advise you on whether your PM's departure would qualify as a force majeure event under the lease order form and, if so, what your options are.

Here are some questions that you may want to ask your attorney:

- . Does the force majeure clause in the lease order form specifically mention employee departures?
- If not, would a court likely find that employee departures can be considered force majeure events?
- . If my PM's departure does qualify as a force majeure event, what are my options?

#### I hope this helps!

In addition to the force majeure clause, there may be other clauses in the lease order form that could allow you to get out of the contract. For example, if the contract contains a termination clause, you may be able to terminate the contract if ESENTIO fails to provide the services that you have contracted for.

If you are considering terminating the lease order form, you should carefully review the contract and consult with an attorney to discuss your options.

- Force Majeure does not cover departures
- Termination clause may apply if the company fails to provide a services in the contract
- You should consult with an attorney



## Other Practical Uses on the Horizon

- Legal Research
- Transcription
- "Busy" work
  - Virtual Assistant
  - Summarize meetings, emails, documents
- Work Evaluation: Are you efficient?

- Outside Counsel
   Guidelines + Time Entry
- Time Analysis
- Document Review
- Conflicts
- CRM and Relationship Intelligence
- Microsoft Office...





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Security

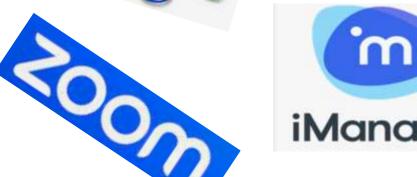
Compliance

Privacy

Responsible Al

## **中Relativity**































## **Question:**

What happens when the machines start acting more human?









## Risks

Sharing personal and/or client data

ChatGPT resumes service in Italy after adding privacy disclosures and controls

- The data is not always correct (yet)
   ChatGPT Is Scarily Good At Answering Legal Questions
- What do our clients want?



## **Privacy and Data Security**











Surveillance

**Anonymity** 

Cultured Advertising

Regulations

**Deep Fakes** 



## **Privacy and Data Security**

Issue

Re-Identification of Aggregated Data

Issue

Co-Mingled Information

Issue

Confidential Information



Who is the arbiter of truth?



## Summary

- Artificial Intelligence is already upon us
- Unlimited potential
- Do <u>NOT</u> ignore the RISKS
  - There are many
  - Be Careful



## Thank you!

