

The 27th Annual ACG Awards

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Message from the President



Good evening and welcome to the 27th Annual Association for Corporate Growth, Orange County Chapter, Awards Gala.

ACG OC is a dynamic membership organization consisting primarily of professional advisors, capital providers and business owners. We support middle market growth, and tonight we celebrate some of the most exciting stories of business success in Orange County and the Inland Empire.

Tonight's honorees will join an impressive group of winners from the past, with each nominee significantly contributing to the economic growth of Orange County and the Inland Empire. These companies have created jobs and pioneered products and services that have helped our region become a nationally recognized driver of growth and innovation.

By recognizing these remarkable stories of growth, innovation, entrepreneurship and success, we also pay tribute to the ACG Orange County members who have worked tirelessly to produce this evening's event, and create the recognition that tonight's nominees richly deserve. We know that behind every successful company is a talented team of capital providers and professional advisors, and tonight we also applaud the contribution that each team of advisors, many of them ACG OC members, has brought to the businesses being honored.

Congratulations to all of our finalists and their teams for their 'symphony of success.' We are proud to celebrate your tremendous achievements in contributing to the growth of the Middle Market!

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Agenda

5:00 - 6:00 PM

VIP Reception

5:00 - 6:30 PM

General Reception

6:30 - 8:30 PM

Dinner & Gala

Emcee - Jane Wells



Jane Wells is an award-winning broadcast journalist with over 30 years experience in the news media. She's covered everything from earthquakes to riots, from the O.J. Simpson trials to Mother Teresa's funeral, from the massacre at Columbine to the 2008 financial collapse. She has questioned CEOs about poor business decisions, posed as a sex worker for a story on AIDS, appeared in the "Seinfeld" finale, and even visited a group of professional cuddlers to see if the business was legit (it is). She is a Special Correspondent for CNBC, where she has worked for over 20 years. Jane also writes "Wells \$treet," a snarky take on the business world, for Meta's Bulletin platform.

Thank You

ACG Orange County would like to thank the talented performers for this evening's gala from the Orange County High School of the Arts' MONTAGE performing repertoire. The award-winning Orange County School of the Arts provides a creative, challenging, and nurturing environment that offers bright and talented students unparalleled preparation for higher education and a profession in the arts. Thank you for making the evening a Symphony of Success!

Message from the Awards Committee

Awards Committee letters, photos and signatures

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Judges

Darin Anderson



Darin is the Chairman and CEO of Salas O'Brien, a leading north-American consulting engineering firm with 1,000 team members delivering over \$6 billion annually in construction value across 39 offices across North America. Salas O'Brien focuses on delivering power, infrastructure, and comprehensive facility solutions to Fortune 500 clients, major universities, cities, counties, hospitals, K-12 and mission critical environments (data centers, etc.).

Darin has led Salas O'Brien to revenue exceeding \$200 million today from \$5 million when he purchased it in 2006. He is most proud of the 95%+ retention of all mid- and senior-level leaders, and 90%+ annual retention of all team members, over the last 12 years. Salas O'Brien is trusted by the largest national organizations for their most complex projects.

Darin is a Regent Emeritus for the University of California system and past board chair for the UC Riverside Foundation Board of Trustees. Additionally, he is the past chair for the California Coast Chapter of the Young President's Organization and served on the board of The Pegasus School.

Charles Antis



A well-respected and widely known roofing expert, entrepreneur and humanitarian, Charles has become one of the most trusted names in the roofing industry, country wide, as well as an inspirational business leader championing corporate social responsibility. Antis Roofing & Waterproofing celebrated its 30th Anniversary in 2019, or as Charles would say, "for 30 years, we've been keeping HOA families safe and dry!".

Michael Coburn



Michael has dedicated his career to aerospace manufacturing, fostering significant growth in the industry for over 25 years. As CEO of Noble Aerospace, he believes success is achieved through a shared vision of safety, environmental responsibility and an unwavering commitment to quality. Prior to joining Noble, Michael was the President & COO for Cadence Aerospace, a structures machining business with seven sites throughout North America. In addition to numerous leadership positions throughout his career, Michael's extensive experience includes the Global VP of Operations at Permaswage, and Group VP for Precision Cast Parts Fastener Division where he had P&L responsibility for several businesses in Orange County and Los Angeles.

Michael graduated from San Diego State University, with a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering with an emphasis on Aerospace Structures, and earned his MBA from Pepperdine University. He is trained in the areas of Six Sigma and Lean Manufacturing, and is a certified corporate director through UCLA.

Judges

Rick Gillespie



Mr. Gillespie serves as Senior Vice President North America for REGENESIS[®] and Land Science[®], directing a team of technical sales consultants and engineers across North America providing industry-leading support to REGENESIS and Land Science customers. He has over 20 years of experience in the environmental remediation industry. Mr. Gillespie joined REGENESIS after a successful career as a Research Scientist at Battelle Memorial Institute.

His work experience has been focused on innovative remediation technologies for the treatment of chlorinated solvents, petroleum hydrocarbons, and metals in soils and groundwater. Mr. Gillespie was a co-author on the Multi-Site Air Sparging Design Paradigm. In addition, he was a contributor to the publication Principles and Practices of Enhanced Anaerobic Bioremediation of chlorinated Solvents. Mr. Gillespie earned his B.S. in Environmental Science from the University of Oklahoma.

Ed Jordan



Ed Jordan has been a respected Southern California corporate advisor and entrepreneur for decades. His most recent success: the launch of a new low calorie, all natural, gluten free flavored vodka brand in 2015, called Spa Girl.

His professional resume also includes CFO and senior executive duties at Nolet Spirits, where he was a member of the Ketel One Executive Team that grew the company from virtually an unknown to one of the leading top shelf vodka importers in the U.S. and the world. He also served as Ketel One lead manager for the U.S. finance and personnel function, completing the distribution joint venture between the company and London-based distiller, Diageo.

Ed is Past Chair of the California Society of CPAs, as well as holding similar leadership roles for the Mission Hospital Foundation and the Latino Leadership Council at Mission Hospital. He earned his MBA from the University of Southern California.

Wing Lam



Wing Lam is the eldest of the three founding brothers and the enigmatic character widely recognized as the face of the iconic Wahoo's Fish Taco brand. A 30-plus-year restaurant industry veteran, he is often in the public eye participating as a panelist and speaker at global events such as the IEG Conference and guest lecturing for MBA programs at Yale, UCLA and USC. In addition to being featured on the ABC hit show "The Secret Millionaire," Lam also starred in a national Merrill Lynch commercial and two Food Network shows, "Unwrapped" and "Beach Eats USA," he actively supports and attends many national and local community-based events..

Judges

Guy Marsala



Guy Marsala is the Chairman of the Board for Saxco International, a company he previously turned around and sold as CEO. He is an accomplished CEO, Independent Director, Operating Partner, Consultant, Executive Coach and a military veteran. He has built companies ranging from Fortune 500 (PepsiCo, Aramark, and American Hospital Supply), to Private Equity portfolio companies (Saxco International, Goldman Sachs owned EZ Lube, LLC), to public companies (Medbox, Inc.: MDBX), to small-caps (All American Leadership, Kaenon). He is equally adept at building companies in high-growth mode, as he is with turnarounds.

Guy has served on six public company and private boards, as well as seven non-profits. He is an active member of The Forum for Corporate Directors and the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), at the National level, and in the Southern California Chapter.

Liz McKinley



Liz McKinley founded Pinnacle Petroleum, Inc., a petroleum wholesale marketing and distribution company in 1995. Pinnacle Petroleum, Inc. is a best-in-class provider of fuel and fuel management services to commercial, retail, and government clients throughout the United States. Operating initially out of her home, the company has steadily grown to now be over \$250,000,000 in revenue.

Liz began her career in the petroleum industry at Koch Industries, a large integrated privately owned company, in Wichita, Kansas. She was the first woman hired at a commercial level as a Petroleum Commodities Trader. Following her assignment to Long Beach, CA, she was transferred to Birmingham, Alabama to establish a regional marketing/trading office. She returned to California to work for several specialized petroleum companies and in 1995 decided to leverage her experience and start her own business.

Liz has received the following awards and honors: California State Assembly Certificate of Recognition, Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition; Entrepreneur magazine's Top 10 Fastest Growing Women-Owned Companies; Working Woman 500, Working Woman magazine's list of largest women-owned businesses in the country; and the Enterprising Woman of the Year Award, Women's President Organization - Fastest Growing Company. The "Pinnacle" of her career, however, was receiving the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 2010 as well as the ACG Award in 2021.

Francisco J. Morales



Francisco is the CEO and co-founder of 5.11 Tactical. 5.11 is the global leading supplier of purpose-built apparel, footwear and gear for first responders and military personnel. Prior to 5.11 Tactical Francisco was President of Royal Robbins and held different positions at Dick's Sporting Goods as well as L.L. Bean.

Francisco earned an executive MBA at the Thunderbird School of Global Management, where he graduated with honors. He earned his BS in Fashion Apparel Management from Jefferson University (formerly Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science) where he graduated cum laude.

Francisco has a passion for business and is involved in various business ventures. He became a member of YPO at the age of 30.

Judges

Joni Rogers-Kante



Joni is the visionary and driving force behind SeneGence®. Her dream of developing a company that gave women an opportunity to build their own business regardless of age, background, or education has become a phenomenal success, with offices in five countries and hundreds of thousands of Independent Distributors across the globe.

She began her career at 16, working for the Sav-On Corporation. By 23, she was Assistant Manager of the brand's highest-performing store. Having learned from high-level management, buyers, and operations experts, she knew the corporate structure was not for her. Joni was introduced to a direct sales cosmetic company, and her 13-year career produced jewelry, cars, awards, trips, and recognition, and most importantly, a burning desire to create her own company.

In 1999, SeneGence and its flagship product, LipSense®, were born. Joni's guiding principle for the company every step of the way has been, "Choose to Live Life in Love and Abundance, and Then Work for It!"

Brad Schmidt



Brad Schmidt is Chief Financial Officer at OneSmile, LLC, and Smile Brands Inc. (SBI). Brad co-founded OneSmile in 2015 and prior to OneSmile's acquisition of SBI in 2016, Brad was with SBI from 1998 through 2013, initially serving as Vice President and Controller through 2002, then subsequently as Chief Financial Officer for over a decade.

While under Brad's financial leadership, OneSmile and Smile Brands have collectively grown from a start-up to one of the largest dental support organizations (DSO) in the United States, serving approximately 650 dental practices with annual revenues greater than \$900 million. In supporting the company's growth, Brad has played a leading role in the integration of the company's three initial platform acquisitions and Smile Brands' subsequent acquisitions of Monarch Dental Corporation, Castle Dental Centers Inc, DecisionOne Dental Partners and Midwest Dental Inc. He also oversaw the company's initial de novo expansion efforts, which led to the successful development of more than 170 dental practices.

Raul Silva



Deluxe Auto Carriers, Inc. was established 2005 by my Business Partner and myself with 8 trucks. Together We focused on expanding the Company's Fleet and Customer Base. Today Deluxe Auto Carriers, Inc. has come a long way from its modest beginnings with 200+ trucks and almost every Car Manufacture Car OEM under Contract and the biggest Auto Transport Company within California. Creating Systems, Structure and Empowering our Staff with my vision is what motivates me to Assure our Customer the Best Service in our space of commercial Trucking.

I enjoy traveling with my Fiancée to the Best Fine Dinning Destination Restaurant, whatever country that might be. Living in Corona Del Mar I enjoy riding our EV Bikes down to the beach and up and the coast.

Order of Awards

Start-Up

A company with at least \$1 million in current revenue, in existence five years or less, that offers a unique or disruptive product or service and has significant growth prospects.

Green Sustainability

An environmentally friendly company that has a unique product, manufacturing process, service or vendor relationship benefitting our environment. A company that stewards long-term consumer and employee value by implementing a "green strategy" designed to respect and sustain the natural environment.

Innovation

A company that uses innovation to differentiate itself in the marketplace and drive the success of its business.

Corporate Responsibility

A company that has contributed to the community in a significant way.

Reinventing

A company that reinvented a process, system or business to compete in their market. May also be a successful turnaround.

Emerging Growth

A dynamic, growing company headquartered in Orange County or the Inland Empire with operations worldwide.

Sustained Growth

An established company that exhibits distinctive strategic positioning, as well as sustained growth and profitability.

Founders

Long-standing business leader for corporate growth and community service.

Spotlight

A company that has experienced a significant M&A transaction, or a PE-backed company, demonstrating above average financial performance.

Finalists

GREEN/SUSTAINABILITY



With over 50 years of excellence in helping businesses keep cool and stay cooking, the Aire Rite family of companies serves an ever-growing variety of businesses throughout Southern California & beyond. Established by Carol & "Punky" Langston in 1972, Aire Rite has grown responsibly and consistently for five decades. The Aire Rite vision is to provide exceptional value through its experience, teamwork, and pride: delivering solutions that work. Our long list of happy clients includes some of the nation's largest food service industries. With Imperial Ice, specializing in world-class ice machine leasing and sales, and Rite Equipment, specializing in sales for the whole gamut of kitchen-related equipment, the Aire Rite Family continues to position itself for the next 50 years of outstanding growth.

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INNOVATION



Alignment Healthcare

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ALIGNMENT HEALTHCARE

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STARTUP



Emylee Thai is a serial entrepreneur who started her first business at the age of 16 and has led five different e-commerce startups to profitability. She is currently looking to revolutionize the world of healthcare as the Founder of Artemis DNA, an innovative and full-service, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments certified, College of American Pathologists (CAP) accredited, high-complexity clinical diagnostic laboratory that provides cutting-edge laboratory services, with emphasis on genetics, that promote precision medicine. Emylee's goal is to make genetic testing inclusive and to bring affordable, actionable healthcare solutions to everyone. Starting in 2019 with a first location in Houston, Texas, she has grown her business to multiple locations and recently established a commercial laboratory and corporate headquarters for Artemis DNA in Irvine, California. In a challenging reimbursement environment, Emylee obtained rapid revenue growth, to over \$40,000,000 in 2 years. By managing explosive growth and resources, she reached profitability within the same time frame. Based on her previous background in bootstrapping and bringing digital e-commerce startups to profitability, Emylee has created a sustainable business model for Artemis DNA that is based on two primary revenue streams: the sale of genetic testing services as well as laboratory testing kits.

ARTEMIS DNA

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Finalists

CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY



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We are a premier global full-service aircraft lessor focused on building long term partnerships with, and value creation for, our airline customers and investors. Founded in 1989, we have developed and cultivated long-standing relationships with manufacturers, airlines, and financial institutions. We invest in liquid, high demand aircraft with an order book consisting of fuel-efficient, new technology aircraft. Our flexible business approach allows us to opportunistically evaluate and execute upon a diverse array of strategic transactions and effectively adapt to ever changing market conditions. We are an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Tokyo Century Corporation, a globally diversified leasing and specialty finance conglomerate. Faced with the greatest industry crisis in commercial aviation since WWII, we have relied on a nimble structure and high caliber professional team to support our customers and stake holders during the COVID-19 pandemic. From keeping our team safe and healthy to restructuring deals with our customers, ACG has turned the corner on the worst of the crisis and continues to work towards better times.

INNOVATION



CORELOGIC
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As a leading provider of gold standard data, analytics and platforms, CoreLogic enables real estate professionals, financial institutions, insurance carriers, government agencies, and other housing market participants to help people make their dream of homeownership a reality. We have continued to innovate by providing new solutions for realtors to provide a Netflix-like experience for consumers to find, buy and protect the house they love, a digital tax platform that sits at the intersection of tax authorities, lenders and consumers to ensure accurate straight through processing. Furthermore, we are conducting several R&D initiatives including impacts to the real estate economy due to climate change and providing solutions that identify suitable land for housing development, targeted at a certain median income and provide an ROI back to the land and building developers.

GREEN/SUSTAINABILITY



ECOS
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Family owned and operated since 1967, ECOS makes household and commercial cleaning products that are safer for people, pets, and the planet. With four geographically diverse facilities across the U.S. and a European manufacturing platform, the company has received many awards for its innovations in safer green chemistry, including the U.S. EPA's Safer Choice Partner of the Year five times. ECOS products are sold at major club and grocery retailers and natural foods stores throughout the U.S., internationally, and online. ECOS is the first company in the world to achieve carbon neutrality, water neutrality, and TRUE Platinum Zero Waste certification. In 2021, ECOS became Climate Positive, restoring 110% of its impacts in energy, carbon, and waste. In 2022, ECOS became the first manufacturer to achieve LEED Zero certification for net-zero emissions in energy, carbon, and waste. As a certified women-owned and minority-owned company, ECOS has a corporate culture of diversity and empowerment, with C-Suite and executive teams that are 63% female and 45% minority. In 2021, ECOS received the Shelby Report's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Award for advancing DE&I in the U.S grocery industry. ECOS's exceptional business practices have made it a model for sustainable companies in the U.S.

Finalists

FOUNDERS



Fluidmaster is the #1 toilet repair brand in the world. Fluidmaster parts are found in more toilets than all other brands combined. As a customer's first choice and preferred supplier of toilet tank trim, Fluidmaster has been ingeniously engineering the internal flushing mechanisms of toilets for more than half a century. Built on and inspired by an unsurpassed history of innovation, Fluidmaster has become an icon in the plumbing industry. Fluidmaster's reputation for superior quality continues to grow as retail, wholesaler and international trade business and OEM partnerships are cultivated, further establishing the company as an innovative leader and global supplier in the toilet care industry.

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REINVENTING



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Finalists

STARTUP



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Founded in 2019, Kadenwood is a privately held consumer products lifestyle company relentlessly focused on shaping CBD into a trusted and safe mainstream plant-based wellness category. To drive this mission, Kadenwood is backed by decades of CPG marketing and category innovation expertise and industry-leading, vertically integrated CBD farming to ensure quality CBD oil from seed-to-shelf that contains 0% THC. In 2019, Kadenwood launched its first branded products under LEVEL SELECTTM in personal care. In late 2020, Kadenwood launched the Purity PetTM Pet business, as well as Purity Organic® hot teas, to add to its portfolio of CBD brands. Kadenwood expanded its global presence in Summer 2021 with the acquisition of Healist Advanced Naturals, an innovative CBD wellness brand focused on high quality botanical ingredients, along with Social CBD, a brand committed to delivering calming formulas with the added benefit of CBD. Since then, Kadenwood has become the first CBD company to have a portfolio of multiple brands across approximately 18,000 retail stores.

SUSTAINED GROWTH



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Founded in 1975, MSI is a leading supplier of flooring, countertop, wall tile, and hardscaping products in North America. Headquartered in Orange, California, MSI also maintains over 40 state-of-the-art showrooms and distribution centers across the U.S. and Canada, directly employs over 3000 people, and supports over 150,000 jobs globally. MSI's product line includes an extensive offering of quartz, porcelain, ceramic, luxury vinyl tile, natural stone, and glass products imported from over 37 countries on six continents. MSI's products can be found in every corner of the country, supporting local Mom and Pop flooring dealers, independent contractors, interior designers, big box stores, and national homebuilders. MSI even supplied the black Granite used in the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC.

MSI has grown organically every year since its inception, experiencing 40% growth in 2021 with revenue exceeding \$2 Billion. In 2021, MSI was one of the 15 largest importers of goods into the US. In addition, in the last three years, MSI has expanded into domestic manufacturing and now operates manufacturing facilities in the United States for quartz and luxury vinyl tile. MSI is currently undergoing its largest expansion ever, with ten new distribution centers in development. More information on MSI can be found at www.msisurfaces.com.

SPOTLIGHT



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MeridianLink® (NYSE: MLNK) is a leading provider of cloud-based software solutions for financial institutions, including banks, credit unions, mortgage lenders, specialty lending providers, and consumer reporting agencies. Headquartered in Costa Mesa, California, MeridianLink provides services to more than 1,900 customers, including a majority of the financial institutions on Forbes' 2021 lists of America's Best Credit Unions and Banks. The company completed a successful IPO in July 2021. Further information can be found at meridianlink.com.

Finalists

GREEN/SUSTAINABILITY

Mission Critical Electronics

SPOTLIGHT



MOBILITIE

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Mobilitie, a BAI Communications company, is a leading wireless infrastructure provider in the United States. Mobilitie's next-generation infrastructure includes communication towers, indoor and outdoor neutral host DAS networks, small cells, fiber, IoT, Wi-Fi and private networks which help deliver wireless connectivity wherever it is needed. Our engineers improve wireless service at the largest and most complex venues, including sports and entertainment arenas, commercial real estate and hospitality properties, universities, healthcare facilities, government agencies and transportation terminals.

In October 2021, Mobilitie was acquired by BAI Communications, a global leader in neutral host infrastructure. The acquisition enabled each organization to strengthen and expand its current services, coupling Mobilitie's expertise in above-ground connected venue infrastructure solutions with BAI's ability to deliver 5G communications infrastructure in complex transit environments.

STARTUP



MONARCH DIAGNOSTICS

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Monarch Diagnostics is a leading diagnostic testing service provider specializing in drug screening, high complexity urine analysis, and PCR Covid-19 testing. Established in September of 2019, we now serve partners of all sizes across the country, from individual patients to major corporate chains including Toyota, GE, Netflix, Hyatt, and more. Monarch Diagnostics is strategically located in Irvine California, just blocks away from the John Wayne airport. This is extremely important to the support of all out of area partners. Since we have opened, we have grown from 4 initial employees to over 170 employees and our services have expanded in 6 different states nationwide.

Finalists

EMERGING GROWTH



OrangePeople (OP) is a technology services boutique headquartered in Irvine, CA. With a core focus on Enterprise Architecture, Delivery, and Creative Services, OP helps Mid-Large Cap businesses to achieve a competitive edge by leveraging tech. Our strategy & advisory offering includes cloud, data analytics, information security, systems integration, app modernization, telematics/mobility, and enterprise apps. In the past year OP has expanded internationally to EMEA & APAC regions with operations in Dublin and Singapore.

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SPOTLIGHT



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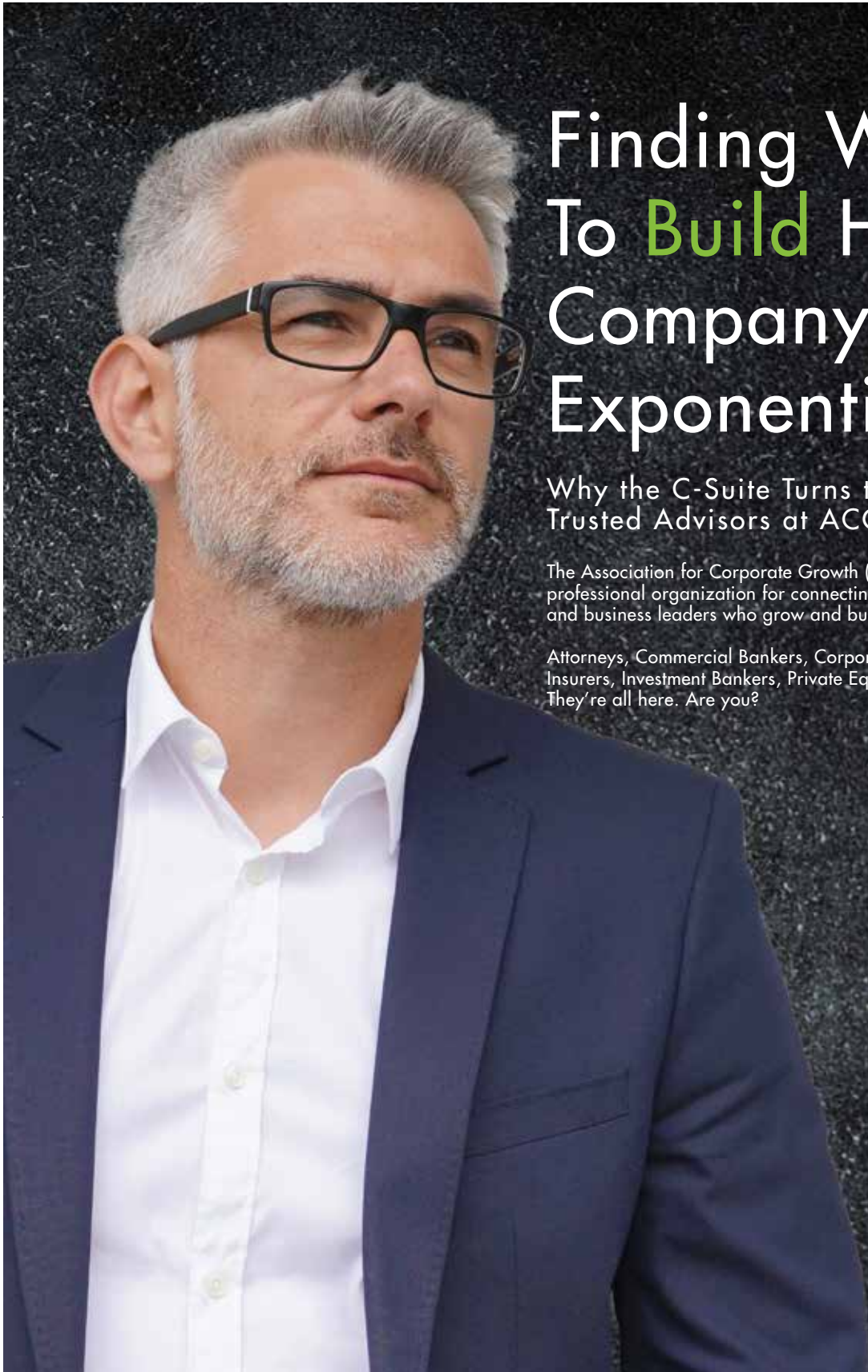


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