



ACG Atlanta recognized seven outstanding Deals of the Year

Winners were announced at the Atlanta History Center on November 2nd at the 2017 Deals of the Year Celebration

ATLANTA – November 6, 2017 – The Atlanta Chapter of The Association for Corporate Growth® (ACG), a global professional organization with the mission of Driving Middle-Market Growth®, recognizes the following finalists for the 2017 Deals of the Year Awards recognizing transactions completed from January 2016 through June 2017 that had a major impact on business in Atlanta.

“The deals we honored this year exemplify ACG Atlanta’s focus on growth and demonstrate the strength and significance of the deals made with Atlanta based companies and investors,” said Melanie Brandt, President and CEO of ACG Atlanta. “Our winners achieved the highest performance and deal execution standards, representing the best of our highly qualified finalists this year.”

Nominees were required to submit transaction details. Our esteemed judging panel consisting of the areas corporate development executives, reviewed and ACG Atlanta verified the nominations. Deals were based on but not limited to the following criteria: potential economic development impact, strategic sectors for our ACG Chapter areas, product of service with potential for significant local and global impact, involvement of Atlanta investors, executives, and serial entrepreneurs.

ACG Atlanta presented awards to the following winners on November 2nd at the Atlanta History Center.

The 2017 ACG Atlanta Deals of Year Award Winners were:

- **Luminate Sale of PDI to TA**
Nominated by ACG Atlanta
- **Paymetric acquired by Vantiv**
Nominated by Merrill Corporation
- **Eversheds/Sutherland transatlantic merger**
Nominated by ACG Atlanta
- **The Coca-Cola Company’s Southwest Operating Unit refranchising**
Nominated by King & Spalding
- **Heritage Growth Partners investment in East West Mfg**
Nominated by Heritage Growth Partners

- **Brightree acquired by ResMed**
Nominated by Croft & Bender
- **United PF Partners LBO of 5 separate Planet Fitness Franchisees**
Nominated by Eagle Merchant Partners

About ACG Atlanta

The Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) comprises more than 14,500 members from corporations, private equity, finance, and professional service firms representing Fortune 500, Fortune1000, FTSE 100, and mid-market companies in 59 chapters in North America and Europe. Founded in 1974, ACG Atlanta is one of the oldest and most active chapters, providing the area's executives and professionals a unique forum for exchanging ideas and experiences concerning organic and acquisitive growth. Programs include Atlanta ACG Capital Connection, The Georgia Fast 40 Honoree Awards and Gala, a Wine Tasting Reception, a Deal of the Year event as well as an active Women's Forum and Young Professionals group. For more information, visit: acgatlanta.org or connect with ACG Atlanta via [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#).

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