The M&A Advisor Marks 25 Years of Recognizing Dealmaking Excellence at the 2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit

Anniversary celebration to bring together outstanding M&A, restructuring, private equity, and corporate finance leaders on November 16th & 17th in NYC

New York, October 29, 2026 – The M&A Advisor, a premiere platform serving M&A, restructuring, private equity, and corporate finance professionals, today announced that its **2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit** will celebrate the organization's 25th anniversary of recognizing excellence in the industry. The summit takes place **November 16th & 17th** at New York Athletic Club, NY.

Since 2002, The M&A Advisor has brought distinction to the achievements shaping mergers and acquisitions, private equity, and restructuring. In its 25th anniversary year, the organization marks this milestone at the 2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit, where industry leaders come together to challenge perspectives, share market intelligence, cultivate strategic relationships, and examine the forces redefining dealmaking. Through curated **M&A Connects™** 1-on-1 meetings, **M&A™ Thought Leadership Sessions**, and **M&A TV™** recorded interviews, the summit creates opportunities to turn insight into action. The summit culminates in an awards gala celebrating excellence across the industry, featuring the 25th Annual M&A Advisor Awards, the 2026 Leadership and Lifetime Achievement Awards, the 2026 Thomas Farrell Memorial Award, and the induction of the 2026 Hall of Fame honorees. Together, these prestigious awards recognize the achievements, leadership, and lasting contributions, shaping the future of dealmaking.

“Dealmaking has always been about more than transactions. It is about the judgment to recognize opportunity, the resolve to navigate complexity, and the relationships that make meaningful outcomes possible,” said Roger Aguinaldo, Founder and CEO of The M&A Advisor. “As we mark 25 years of recognizing excellence, we celebrate the individuals and firms whose work has helped shape our industry. The 2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit brings that collective experience into focus, creating space for new ideas, stronger connections, and fresh perspectives on the opportunities ahead. The 25th Annual M&A Advisor Awards honors those whose achievements reflect the best of the profession and help set its course for the future.”

Anniversary highlights include:

- **"25 Years of Honoring Leadership & Excellence for the Next Era of Dealmaking,"** the theme for the 25th Year Anniversary of Recognition at the Deal Forum and Awards Gala
- **Curated M&A Connects™ 1-on-1 meetings** connecting attendees with prospects, partners, and peers
- **M&A™ Thought Leadership Sessions** and **M&A TV™ interviews** delivering actionable insights to help dealmakers sharpen strategy and identify opportunities.

- **Signature Awards Programs** — The 25th Annual M&A Advisor Awards, the 2026 Leadership Award, Lifetime Achievement Award, Thomas Farrell Memorial Award, and Hall of Fame Induction—honoring excellence across transactions, individuals, and firms.
- **Anniversary reception and tribute** celebrating the community that built the platform

The summit is supported by our Alliance Partner- TH Global Capital and sponsors- Alliant Insurance M&A and Cherry Bekaert. Registration, the agenda, and sponsorship opportunities are available at the **2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit** page. Follow the celebration at The M&A Advisor's official website- https://maadvisor.com/

About The M&A Advisor

The M&A Advisor was founded in 1998 to offer insights and intelligence on mergers and acquisitions. Today, the firm is the world's premier leadership organization for M&A, restructuring and financing professionals, providing an integrated suite of services.

Follow these links to learn about The M&A Advisor's 25th Annual M&A Advisor Awards as well as the **2026 Future of Dealmaking Summit**.

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