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## **THE M&A ADVISOR ANNOUNCES THE THOMAS FARRELL MEMORIAL AWARD**

**Robert “Bobby” Blumenfeld, Executive Director of ACG New York Is Chosen As Inaugural Recipient**

**New York, October 10, 2017** – The M&A Advisor is proud to announce the establishment of an annual award to honor the memory of **Thomas “Tom” Farrell**, former Executive Vice President of Generational Equity, and to celebrate his contributions to the mergers and acquisitions industry.

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Mr. Farrell was presented with the 2016 M&A Advisor Lifetime Achievement Award and was inducted into The M&A Advisor Hall of Fame for his significant achievements across a storied career in corporate finance. During the annual assembly of the industry’s leading professionals in New York, he addressed and received a standing ovation from his peers for decades of service to corporate growth across America. It was with great sorrow that a short time after, on December 24<sup>th</sup>, the industry lost a friend and ally when Tom succumbed to illness and passed away.

“I am honored to have had the opportunity to call Tom Farrell a colleague - he was a valued member of The M&A Advisor Faculty, a mentor and a friend. His care for the industry and the thousands of organizations that he has contributed so positively to, will have a lasting effect for generations,” stated David Fergusson, President and Co-CEO of The M&A Advisor. “In honor of his legacy, the **Thomas Farrell Memorial Award** will be presented each year to the individual chosen by their peers to have made the most generous contribution to the advancement of our industry.”

The inaugural recipient of this distinguished award for 2017 is **Robert “Bobby” Blumenfeld**, the Executive Director of the Association of Corporate Growth (ACG) - New York Chapter.

“I cannot think of a more fitting candidate for the inaugural Tom Farrell Memorial Award than Bobby Blumenfeld, who embodies the very essence of this award’s purpose,” Fergusson shared. “Throughout his dealmaking career and in his contribution to the ACG New York Chapter, Bobby has tirelessly been a champion for the advancement of our industry and the members of it.”

Along with his role as Executive Director of ACG New York, the non-profit financial association whose membership of over 1000 engage and support over 1/3 of the US economy, Bobby is a founding Director of ACG Cares, a charity that assists graduating college students, from all social and economic backgrounds, to find their first job. Past honors bestowed upon him include ACG New York’s Peter Hilton Award for furthering the mission of the chapter during his volunteer term and the ACG Global Meritorious Award for Outstanding Service to the organization and the industry.

The Thomas Farrell Memorial Award will be presented to Mr. Blumenfeld during the 16th Annual M&A Advisor Awards Gala at the Metropolitan Club in New York on November 13, 2017. To learn more about how you can attend the awards gala to celebrate the presentation, [CLICK HERE](#).

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