

Houlihan Lokey

FRONT OFFICE SOFTWARE: 2022 IN REVIEW

0

GE

P

<u>. II</u>

•.

11

RE

7

20

Front Office Software: 2022 in Review

Dear Clients and Friends,

Houlihan Lokey is pleased to present its Front Office Software: 2022 in Review. We have included a sector overview, recent M&A and investment themes, relevant transaction announcements, a public markets overview, and other insights to help you stay ahead in our dynamic and constantly evolving industry.

This issue spotlights some of the key industry trends and investment themes we observed in 2022 and also includes our thoughts on what the market is looking forward to in 2023. In the coming issues, we will double-click into subcategories of our coverage universe in addition to updating market trends and data.

We hope you find this update to be informative and a valuable resource. If there is additional content you would find useful for future updates, please don't hesitate to call or email us with your suggestions.

We look forward to staying in touch with you.

Regards,



Joshua Wepman

Managing Director Head of Front Office Software Phone: 212.497.4282 Joshua.Wepman@HL.com



James Craven

Managing Director Phone: +44 (0) 20-7484-4083 James.Craven@hl.com



John Lambros Managing Director Co-Head of U.S. Technology Phone: 212.497.4207 John.Lambros@HL.com



Kristoffer Källeskog

Managing Director Phone: +46 70-742-1666 Kristoffer.Kaelleskog@hl.com



Charlie Stocks Managing Director Phone: 212.497.4161 Charlie.Stocks@HL.com



Tobias Schultheiss

Managing Director Phone: +49 (0) 692-0434-6416 Tobias.Schultheiss@hl.com



Dan Dresner Senior Vice President Phone: 617.316.7115 DDresner@HL.com



James Hill

Director Phone: +44 (0) 20-7484-4148

James.Hill@hl.com



Jonathan Ham Senior Vice President Phone: 415.273.3609 Jonathan.Ham@HL.com



Avalon de Paravicini

Senior Vice President

Phone: +44 (0) 20 7484 4084 Avalon.deParavicini@HL.com



David Fegley Vice President Phone: 646.259.7410 David.Fegley@HL.com

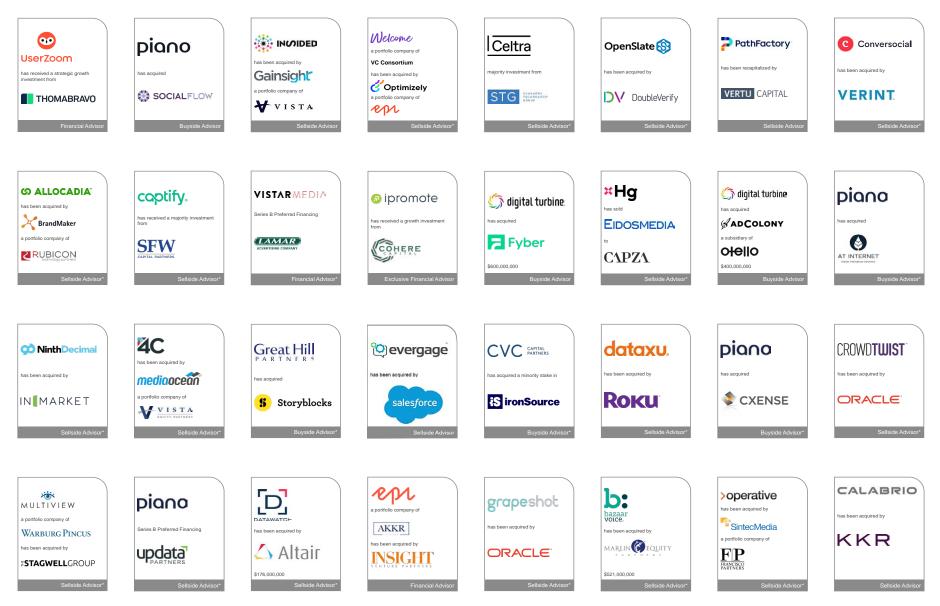


Adrian Schlegtendal

Senior Vice President Phone: +44 (0) 20-7484-4143 Adrian.Schlegtendal@hl.com

2

Extensive Experience in Front Office Software



Tombstones included herein represent transactions closed from 2015 forward.

*Selected transactions were executed by Houlihan Lokey professionals while at other firms acquired by Houlihan Lokey or by professionals from a Houlihan Lokey point venture company.

2022 Recap and 2023 Outlook

Despite macroeconomic turbulence in 2022, the front office software (FOS) M&A market remained resilient, with deal count falling but transaction value increasing compared to 2021 as a result of a few larger deals.

 The long-term outlook for the FOS M&A and financing markets remains positive; secular tailwinds will support increased deal activity in 2023 and beyond.

Public and private valuation multiples experienced corrections during the latter half of 2022—multiples have normalized back to the pre-COVID-19 mean.

A focus on key metrics, such as unit economics and retention, will dominate investment decision-making. Companies with stable financial profiles, proven profitability, and strong growth prospects will garner higher valuations.

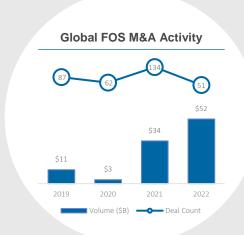
Dealmaking will be driven by platforms continuing to build out holistic offerings and by point solutions looking to expand in specific end markets.

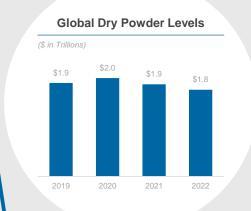
 We expect further consolidation within all subsegments as investors and strategics look for greater scale, premium IP, vertical-specific solutions, and cross-platform capabilities.

Private equity continues to sit on a war chest of dry powder and is hungry to further deploy capital in 2023.

 With global private equity dry powder approaching \$2 trillion and stabilizing debt markets, investors are eager to put capital to work.

We remain bullish on the long-term outlook for the front office software sector and would welcome the opportunity to share our thoughts/perspectives on the industry with you.





How We Cover Front Office Software Applications

Sales Technology

- ✓ Customer Relationship Management
- ✓ Configure, Price, Quote Software
- ✓ Sales Performance Management
- Sales Enablement

Marketing Software

- ✓ Digital Experience Platform
- ✓ Customer Data Platform
- ✓ Business Intelligence and Analytics
- ✓ Omnichannel Engagement Solutions
- ✓ Marketing Automation
- ✓ Customer Experience

✓ Contact Center Software

CRO

CMO

Customer Support Technology

Conversational AI

✓ Experience Management

Commerce Technology

- ✓ In-Store Technologies
- ✓ Order Management Systems
- ✓ Product Information Management
- ✓ Fulfilment Solutions
- ✓ Inventory Management

Consent Management

and Recommendations

Content Management

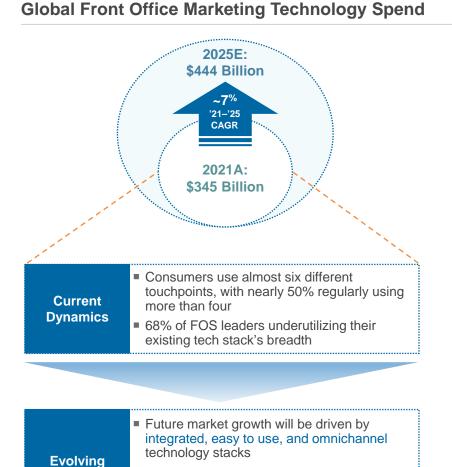
✓ Digital Asset Management/MRM

Enablement/Content Management

✓ Personalization, Orchestration,

Strong Underlying Market Tailwinds Accelerate Growth

TAM will reach approximately \$450 billion in the next few years, driven by the desire for personalized, frictionless, and omnichannel customer experiences.



Dynamics AI/ML improve marketers' data processing capabilities, allowing them to maximize revenue opportunities and improve customer interactions across the customer journey

Key Market Growth Drivers



Personalization Scales Exponentially

20-to-1 return on investment for marketers who employ advanced personalization tactics



Omnichannel Data Ingestion Will Win the Day Integration of key data creates a holistic consumer view and cross-channel continuity



Increasing Demands on User-Generated Content

User-generated content deepens the consumer-brand relationship, but maximizing its impact requires agile tech solutions



AI/ML Will Accelerate Leading Solutions

Al/machine learning capabilities will power the leading platforms to unify, unlock, and personalize data seamlessly



First-Party Data Is Paramount

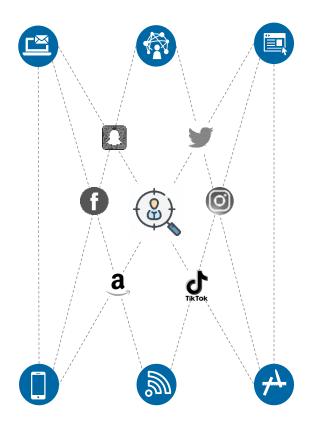
Cookies elimination, privacy regulatory expansion, and CX expectations are all driving increased reliance on and management of first- and zero-party data

Evolving Race to Meet the Demands of the Digital Future

The explosion of digital touchpoints drove innovation, resulting in a surge of point solutions. The shift to holistic solutions or easily connected partner ecosystems necessitated omnichannel orchestration.

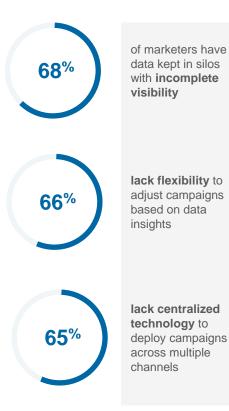
Number of Channels Is Proliferating

New channels and innovative forms of communication are rapidly emerging, with consumer preference evolving to new mediums at scale



Rising Importance of a Unified CXP

More and more point solutions continue to consolidate as the importance of a unified omnichannel consumer experience grows



Privacy First Sends Shockwaves

Governments and big tech are forcing a rethink of the data to power personalization













Third-party data

New Technology Disruption Is Furthering Innovation

Evolving technologies and demanding consumers are pushing large enterprises to innovate and adapt.

Enterprise Solutions



Some SaaS technologies are on-premise tech now available in an app or a browser



Some lack of ability for multiple users to edit and collaborate in real time



Legacy UX and other modules are dated and static and lack innovative new features and interactive solutions



Often dependent on third-party cookies privacy changes forcing a shift to first-party "owned" channels is threating traditional industry dominance



Too many features are being underutilized; legacy solutions are overly complex and new solutions are designed to partner more easily

New Disruptive Capabilities



Multiplayer and Collaborative Enables different stakeholders and users to leverage the platform simultaneously

Network Effects



Each new customer derives value from all of the existing customers already on the platform (e.g., benchmarking and recommendations)



Focused on an End Audience of One

Requires a high degree of content personalization by brands directly impacting customer loyalty and retention

Privacy First

Ahead of the coming trends (e.g., first- and zero-party data)



Increased Focus on Vertical-Specific Solutions

New tech stacks are rapidly emerging with an increased focus on customer-centric solutions

Adobe Address Disruption by Acquiring Figma

Adobe Inc. entered into an agreement to acquire Figma on

The combination of Adobe and Figma will enhance Adobe's

product suite with accelerated creativity on the web and an

global communities of creators,

designers, and developers.

advanced product design to inspire

September 15, 2022.

Transaction Overview



Product Solutions



UI/UX Experience

 Automate and augment plugins, widgets, development, and web tools to make workflow more efficient.

₩=A	

Web Graphic Design

Brainstorm and design web-based user interface on the cloud.

Collaboration

Ability to make design "multiplayer"—map user flows, processes, and systems with various developer teams simultaneously where teams can leverage design libraries.

Company Synopsis

Headquarters: San Francisco, California

Founded: 2012

Employees: ~850

Description: Figma, Inc., develops design tools built to help companies brainstorm, design, and build better products from start to finish. The company's platform is a web-based designing, prototyping, and collaboration tool enabling developers, product managers, and marketers to simplify workflows and collaborate across teams and time zones.

Select Transaction Commentary

Adobe's greatness has been rooted in our ability to create new categories and deliver cutting-edge technologies through organic innovation and inorganic acquisitions...The combination of Adobe and Figma is transformational and will accelerate our vision for collaborative creativity. **11**

Shantanu Narayen Chairman and CEO Adobe ⁶⁶ There is a huge opportunity for us to accelerate the growth and innovation of the Figma platform with access to Adobe's technology, expertise, and resources in the creative space...We will have the opportunity to reimagine what the best creative tools could look like within the Figma technology stack. ⁹

Dylan Field Co-Founder and CEO Figma



THL Grows Portfolio With Bynder Acquisition

Transaction Overview



- THL Partners entered into an agreement to acquire Bynder on December 20, 2022.
- The partnership will facilitate Bynder's ability to grow and enable more brands to improve customer relationships, unlock new revenue potential, and scale the distribution of marketing assets.

Company Synopsis

Headquarters: Amsterdam

Founded: 2013

Employees: ~520

Description: Bynder is a digital asset management platform that provides intuitive solutions to unify and transform the creation and sharing of assets. The company provides an integrated way to deliver optimized assets and improve digital experiences through its fully automated solutions.

Product Solutions



Automate

Seamlessly integrates and connects to a company's digital ecosystems to automate the distribution of content to key customer endpoints.



Collaborate

Streamline requests, reviews, and approvals for better, creative, and faster results.

Analyze

Optimize content, user journeys, and creative workflows through data-driven insights and reports.

Select Transaction Commentary

- Bynder is the pure-play market leader in a category that we believe has become foundational for executing digital marketing at scale. Its technology helps brands of all sizes deepen relationships with their customers and drive revenue growth. **99**
- Control Con

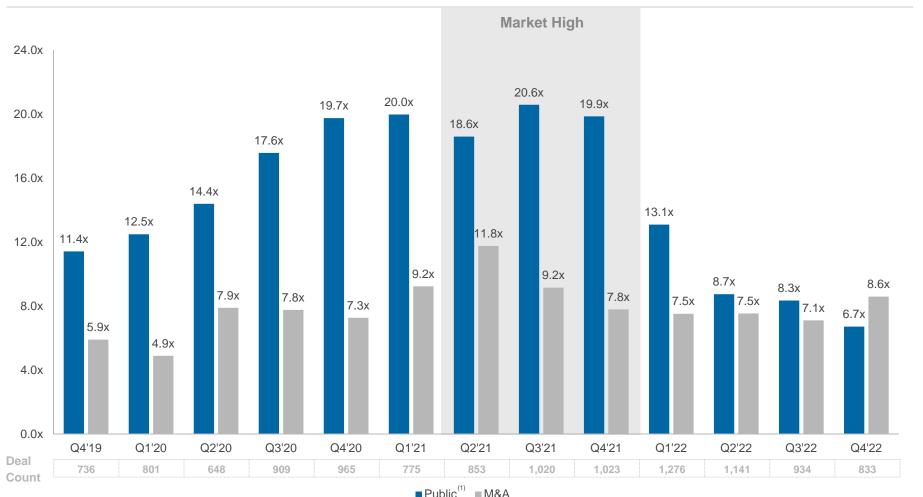
Cliff Longley and Jeff Swenson Managing Directors THL





Swing in Multiples Has Been Corrected

M&A premiums to public companies have reemerged; multiples rose dramatically (public more so than M&A) but have since returned to normalized levels. The stabilization of multiples will fuel deal activity as buyers and sellers have more aligned value expectations.



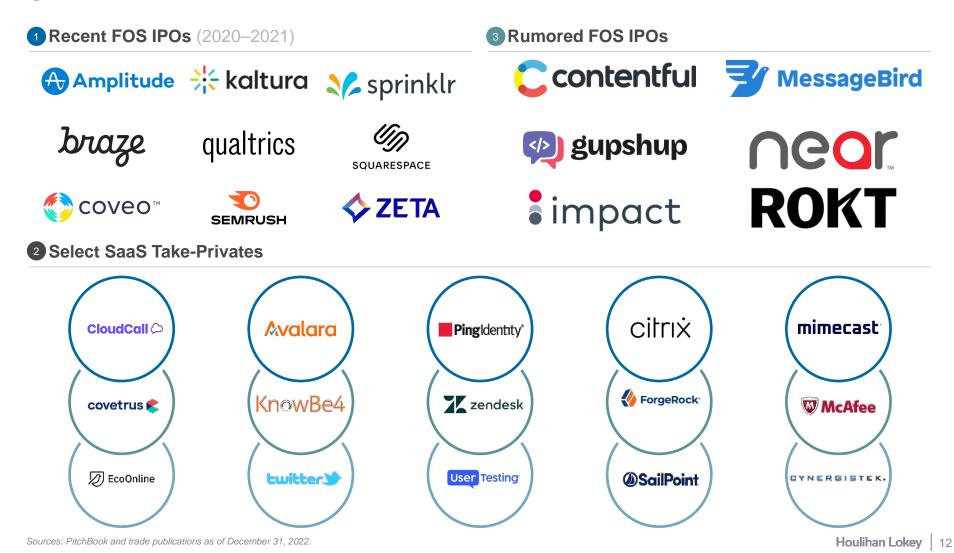
Median Public and M&A SaaS EV/TTM Revenue

Sources: 451 Research and S&P Global Capital IQ as of December 31, 2022. (1) BVP Cloud SaaS Index.

Public Debuts Halted as Take-Private Transactions Increased

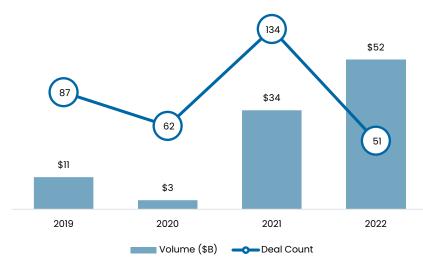


- 2 In contrast, 2022 experienced a high volume of take-private acquisitions across the SaaS landscape, with this trend expected to continue.
- 3 Anticipated public entrants are likely awaiting a more favorable public market environment to make their debut in 2023.



Front Office Software: 2022 Deal Dashboard

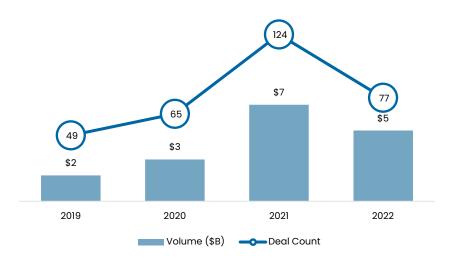
M&A Summary (2019–2022)



Recent M&A Transactions

Announced	Acquirer	Target	EV (\$M)	EV / LTM Rev.	EV / LTN EBITDA
12/29/22	BEPARTNERS	MADISON Logic.	\$750	NA	NA
12/20/22	THL	🍤 bynder	\$600	6.0x	NA
12/12/22	CONSTELLATION SOFTWARE INC	WIDE	\$490	2.9x	10.0x
10/27/22		User Testing	\$1,300	7.0x	NM
9/15/22	Adobe	<table-cell-rows> Figma</table-cell-rows>	\$20,000	~50.0x	NM
9/6/22	CommerceHub	channeladvisor [.]	\$648	3.8x	17.1x
6/24/22	permira H&F	zendesk	\$10,200	7.1x	NM
3/29/22	Brookfield EVERGREEN	Nielsen	\$16,000	4.6x	13.6x

U.S. Private Funding Summary (2019–2022)

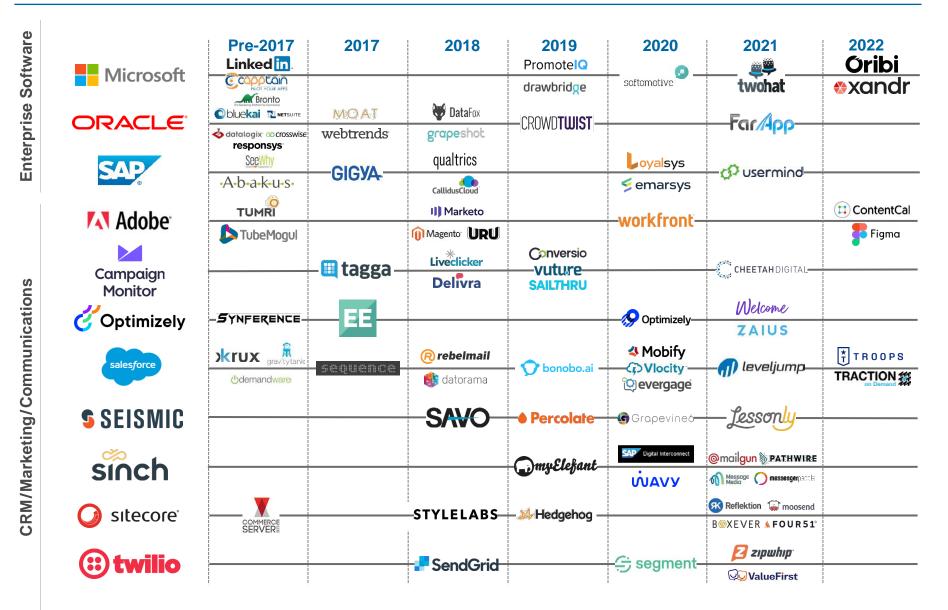


Recent Financings

Announced	Acquirer	Target	Amount (\$M)
12/13/22	🔺 Sumeru	Ζαρρί	\$167
11/22/22	TPG	ServiceTitan	\$365
10/4/22	WHITE STAR	CARBON 6	\$66
9/19/22		📜 SWIFTLY	\$100
8/25/22	SUSQUEHANNA GROWTH EQUITY	MUCK RACK	\$180
8/2/22	🛐 shopify	klaviyo	\$100
7/20/22	∛ NEW SPRING	cordial	\$50
5/18/22	DRAGONEER	SpotOn	\$300

Sources: S&P Global Capital IQ, PitchBook, and 451 Research as of December 31, 2022.

Software Application Clouds Continue to Consolidate



Selected Active U.S. FOS Investors by Stage

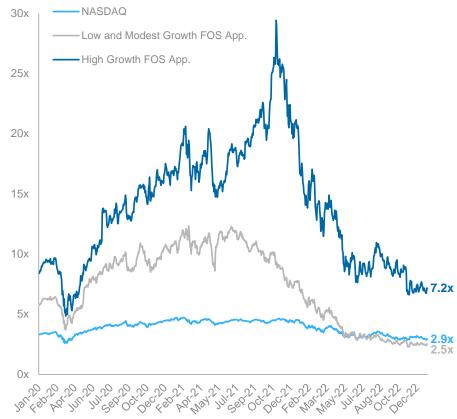


Market Reversion to Pre-COVID-19 Metrics



Market Capitalization Performance

Enterprise Value/Forward Revenue Multiple



	NASDAQ	Low and Modest Growth FOS App.	High Growth FOS App.
January '20	3.3x	5.8x	8.4x
High	4.7x	12.3x	29.4x
Current	2.9x	2.5x	7.2x

	NASDAQ	Low and Modest Growth FOS App.	High Growth FOS App.
January '20	100%	100%	100%
High	177%	246%	461%
Current	115%	59%	158%

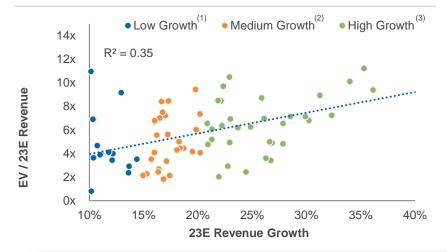
Source: S&P Global Capital IQ as of December 31, 2022.

See Slides 26 and 27 for a list of public peers included in FOS High and L&M Growth indices.

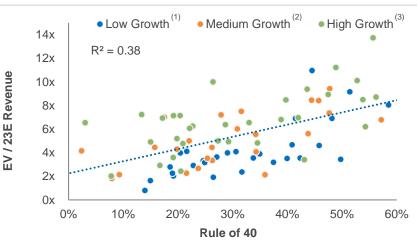
Growth and Profit Matter in Today's Market, but Growth Remains the Focus

Multivariate regression of revenue multiples show that it takes approximately 3% of additional EBITDA margin to equal 1% of incremental revenue growth.

Revenue Growth

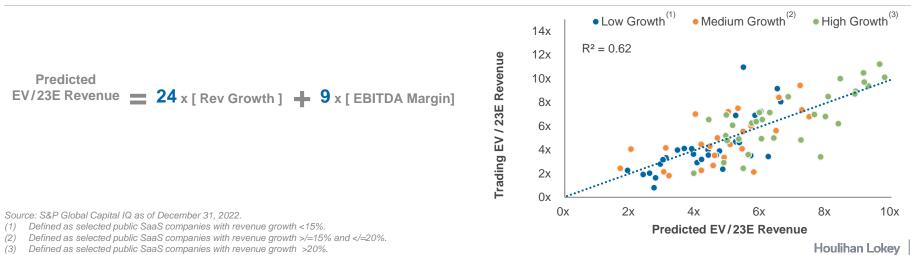


Rule of 40 Correlation



17

Multivariable Correlation



Select Precedent Transactions

Ann. Date	Acquirer	Target	Description	EV (\$M)	EV/LTM Rev.	EV/NTM Rev.	EV/LTM EBITDA	Revenue Growth
12/29/2022	BC PARTNERS	MADISON Logic.	Provides machine learning-based B2B account-based marketing (ABM) SaaS	\$750	NA	NA	NA	NA
12/20/2022	THL	Synder 😒	Provides digital asset management SaaS, open APIs and SDKs, and related mobile application for businesses globally	\$600	6.0x	4.5x	NA	25%
12/12/2022	CONSTELLATION SOFTWARE	WIDE	Developer of an advertising management platform intended to make it easier to buy and sell advertising	\$490	2.9x	2.8x	10.0x	7%
10/27/2022		User Testing	Provides AI-based video-based human insight, online user experience, and customer experience testing SaaS	\$1,116	6.0x	5.4x	NM	11%
10/17/2022		Yesware	Developer of email tracking software designed to connect businesses with prospects and track customer engagement	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
9/15/2022	A Adobe	鬊 Figma	Provides a collaborative interface designing and prototyping SaaS	\$20,000	~50.0x	NA	NM	>100% (1)
9/6/2022	CommerceHub	channeladvisor [.]	Enables clients to integrate and manage merchandise sales across multiple online channels on a cloud-based planform	\$648	3.8x	3.5x	18.0x	9%
7/11/2022	CLEARHAVEN P A R T N E R S	S U N D ▲ Y S K Y	Developer of a video engagement platform designed to engage people with personalized brands	\$100	2.0x	NA	NA	NA
6/30/2022	ASCENTIAL	intrepid	Developer of an Asian e-commerce services platform designed to offer store management and online marketing services	\$250	14.0x	NA	NM	71%
6/24/2022	PERMIRA H&F	zendesk	Provides help desk, customer support, self-service and customer engagement SaaS for businesses globally	\$10,200	7.1x	5.7x	NM	25%
5/25/2022	paddle	ProfitWell	Provides AI-based subscription metrics and retention automation SaaS, APIs, and related mobile applications	\$200	NA	NA	NA	NA
5/9/2022	salesforce	* T R 0 0 P S	Provides AI-enabled Slack-focused automation and revenue communications SaaS	\$25	NA	NA	NA	NA

Note: Multiples <0x or >50x considered NM. Excludes earnout considerations. Growth rates include LTM, NTM or annualized figures. Sources: S&P Global Capital IQ, PitchBook, and 451 Research.

(1) 100% Revenue Growth and multiples have been excluded from calculations.

Select Precedent Transactions (cont.)

Ann. Date	Acquirer	TargetDescriptionEV (\$M)EV / LTM Rev.		EV/NTM Rev.	EV/LTM EBITDA	Revenue Growth		
5/3/2022	PUBLICIS GROUPE	ĨProfitero	Developer of online insights and e-commerce intelligence platform designed to offer direct sales correlation	\$200	NA	NA	NA	NA
4/27/2022	VERCOM	mailer ^{lite}	Developer of an email marketing platform designed to share information, automate workflows and enhance CXP	\$91	NA	NA	NA	NA
4/7/2022	npd Hellman & Friedman	IRi Growth delivered	Provider of big data, predictive analytics and forward-looking insights dedicated to help businesses power action and growth	\$5,000	NA	NA	NA	NA
3/31/2022	KARGC	PARSEC	Developer of an advertisement platform designed to measure and optimize the attention of brands and agencies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3/29/2022	Brookfield EVERGREEN	Nielsen	Provider of global measurement and data analytics services intended to understand what consumers watch and buy	\$15,800	4.5x	4.4x	10.6x	3%
3/21/2022	🗥 triplelift	1plusx	Provides AI-based marketing data management and analysis SaaS and related APIs to businesses globally	\$150	NA	NA	NA	NA
3/2/2022	THOMABRAVO	00 UserZoom	Developer of an all-in-one user experience (UX) research platform designed for experience insights	\$800	8.0x	NA	NA	NA
2/22/2022	🕖 Verisk	infutør	Developer of a consumer identity management tool designed to perform data analysis	\$250	NA	NA	NA	NA
1/10/2022	Gainsight		Developer of a community engagement platform intended to help companies connect with their customers	\$75	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
12/23/2021	MUBADALA VISTA	Salesloft.	Developer of a cloud-based sales intelligence software designed to gather relevant news and data	\$2,300	NA	NA	NA	NA
11/9/2021	STG	Celtra	Developer of creative enablement and creative automation platforms	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
10/21/2021	🞽 Campaign Monitor	CHEETAH DIGITAL	Provides AI-based cross-channel customer engagement SaaS and related APIs to businesses globally	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Select Precedent Transactions (cont.)

Ann. Date	Acquirer	Target	Description	EV (\$M)	EV/LTM Rev.	EV/NTM Rev.	EV/LTM EBITDA	Revenue Growth
9/30/2021	sinch	📎 PATHWIRE	Provides managed email services for businesses enabling email sending, receiving and storage	\$1,900	14.4x	NA	34.5x	NA
9/13/2021	intuit	🔞 mailchimp	Provides AI-based marketing automation, digital marketing analytics, and reporting SaaS and related mobile applications	\$12,000	12.0x	NA	NA	25%
8/23/2021	VERINT	C Conversocial	Provides customer care messaging automation and analytics SaaS	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
8/19/2021	Adobe))). Frame.io	Operator of a marketing and commerce platform for sharing and collaborating on video	\$1,275	NA	NA	NA	NA
7/30/2021	Engage better. Self more.	တ ALLOCADIA	Provides marketing performance management, customer analytics and related spend optimization SaaS for businesses	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
7/29/2021	qualtrics	CLARABRIDGE	Provider of a customer experience management platform that uses natural language processing technology	\$1,044	10.0x	NA	NA	NA
7/26/2021	THOMABRAVO	Medallia	Provides omni-channel customer and employee experience management SaaS for businesses globally	\$6,400	13.2x	10.9x	NM	21%
7/20/2021	COHERE	🔊 ipromote	Developer of digital advertising technology and services platform designed to help underserved SMBs	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
7/12/2021	Z zoominfo	CHIIRUS	Provides AI-based, big data sales conversation monitoring	\$575	NA	NA	NA	NA
7/12/2021	SFW CADITAL DARTNERS	captify.	Developer of a digital marketing platform designed to offer data driven advertising and analytics services	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.	Conf.
6/22/2021	Constant Contact	🎸 SharpSpring	Provides marketing automation SaaS, including email and social media marketing and related analytics, for SMBs	\$220	7.3x	6.2x	NM	19%
4/13/2021	cardlytics	Bridg	Operator of an automated online marketing platform designed to integrate discreet functions	\$350	NA	NA	NA	NA

Select Precedent Transactions (cont.)

Ann. Date	Acquirer	Target Description EV (\$M)		EV/LTM Rev.	EV/NTM Rev.	EV/LTM EBITDA	Revenue Growth	
4/8/2021	SEP SUMERU EQUITY PARTNERS		Provides request for proposal (RFP) response management and related marketing automation SaaS \$275		16.2x	12.0x	NA	35%
4/8/2021		punchh.	Provider of digital marketing products intended to aid brands engage customers and predict behaviors	\$500 NA		NA	NA	NA
3/9/2021	JMI	Canto	Cloud-based digital asset management platform that stores, organizes and shares large volumes of digital brand assets	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3/4/2021	Medallia	"DECIBEL.	Provides B2B and B2C web and customer analytics software and SaaS	\$160	10.7x	NA	NM	NA
2/24/2021		Engage better. Sell more.	Provides marketing resource management (MRM) and related digital asset management SaaS	\$95	5.9x	NA	NA	NA
1/19/2021	citrix.	🔨 wrike	SaaS-based collaborative work management platform designed for businesses in retail, healthcare and TMT	\$2,250	16.1x	12.2x	NA	32%

Total MarTech				
Top Quartile	13.8x	9.7x	22.1x	27%
Mean	11.6x	6.8x	18.3x	23%
Median	9.0x	5.6x	14.3x	23%
Bottom Quartile	6.0x	4.4x	10.4x	10%

>20% Revenue Growth

Top Quartile	14.4x	12.0x	NM	34%
Mean	12.1x	9.1x	NM	33%
Median	12.0x	10.9x	NM	25%
Bottom Quartile	8.0x	5.7x	NM	25%

<20% Revenue Growth

Top Quartile	6.0x	5.4x	14.3x	11%
Mean	4.9x	4.5x	12.9x	10%
Median	4.5x	4.4x	10.6x	9%
Bottom Quartile	3.8x	3.5x	10.3x	6%

Select Precedent Financings

in millions						
Ann. Date	Investor(s)	Target	Description	Amount Raised	Post Valuation	Equity Raised to Date
12/14/2022	greylock Riverwood SC CAPITAL	Gladly	Cloud-based communication platform that helps businesses deliver better customer service	\$55	NA	\$168
12/13/2022	A Sumeru	Ζαρρί	Consumer insights platform designed for creators	\$170	NA	\$192
12/12/2022	LONG RIDGE	Message Gears	Cross-channel messaging platform using customer data to create personalized conversations	\$62	NA	\$80
11/22/2022	TPG	ServiceTitan	Cloud-based software providing end-to-end CRM solutions for the residential home services industry	\$365	\$7,365	\$1,460
11/10/2022	PRIMUS	ordergr <mark>ø</mark> ve	SaaS based commerce platform helping activate consumer relationships online and in physical retail stores	\$100	NA	\$166
10/27/2022	Georgian	openWeb	Social engagement platform intended to provide an on-site community for improving online conversation	\$170	\$1,500	\$392
10/18/2022	FRANCISCO PARTNERS	acoustic	Al-powered marketing cloud platform	NA	NA	NA
10/4/2022	WHITE STAR	CARBON 6	Provides a suite of tools for e-commerce businesses to simplify operations	\$66	NA	\$16
9/19/2022		🔁 SWIFTLY	CRM platform designed for Brick-and-Mortar retailers and CPG brands	\$100	\$1,000	\$236
8/25/2022	SUSQUEHANNA GROWTH EQUITY	MUCK RACK	PR management platform that enables organizations to connect with journalists to generate media coverage	\$180	NA	\$180
8/2/2022	🗿 shopify	klaviyo	Unified customer data platform that combines email and SMS communications	\$100	NA	NA
7/26/2022	KNEW SPRING	cordiał	Cross-channel messaging and data platform designed for marketers	\$50	\$300	\$85

Select Precedent Financings (cont.)

\$ in millions						
Ann. Date	Investor(s)	Target	Description	Amount Raised	Post Valuation	Equity Raised to Date
7/20/2022		Contentsquare	Al-powered digital experience analytics platform	\$600	\$5,600	\$1,410
7/19/2022	SignalFire	k≹ Zine⊆ne	Customer engagement platform that enables real-time brand-to- user interactions across all channels	\$28	\$114	\$43
6/30/2022	NEA		Behavioral data management platform that serves data teams	\$40	\$139	\$62
6/28/2022	Battery calegore ventures	Front	Multi-channel inbox platform designed to centralize communication channels into one place	\$65	\$1,700	\$203
6/14/2022	SILVERLAKE		Al-powered call tracking and conversational analytics platform	\$83	\$1,100	\$201
5/18/2022	DRAGONEER	SpotOn	Provides payment processing and customer engagement tools for SMBs	\$300	\$3,600	\$928
5/16/2022	🌲 Five Elms Capital	claravine	Marketing campaign automation platform providing digital marketing data governance services	\$16	\$60	\$29
5/13/2022	Updata	improvado	Developer of an online middleware software that integrates and aggregates data from social platforms	\$22	\$62	\$30
4/28/2022	SILVERLAKE	Movable	Digital marketing platform that activates data into personalized content for customer engagement	\$55	\$1,300	\$97
4/27/2022	SUMMIT PARTNERS	MAVRCK	All-in-one advanced influencer marketing platform	\$135	NA	NA
4/27/2022	Goldman Sachs	iSpot.tv	Real-time advertising intelligence platform providing television advertisement data and analytics	\$325	\$1,010	\$383
4/27/2022	PSG PROVIDENCE STRATEGIC GROWTH W CAPITAL PARTNERS	impact	SaaS-based partnership management platform	\$100	NA	\$374

Select Precedent Financings (cont.)

\$ in millions						
Ann. Date	Investor(s)	Target	Description	Amount Raised	Post Valuation	Equity Raised to Date
4/13/2022	TPG	SALSIFY	Product content management solution	\$200	\$2,000	\$503
4/13/2022	PARTNERS	BlueOcean	Brand intelligence platform intended to help businesses develop and tweak their marketing strategies	\$30	\$202	\$45
3/21/2022	SoftBank	Commerce IQ	Omnichannel retail management platform using machine learning and automation	\$115	\$1,025	\$281
3/10/2022	6 SIXTH STREET	ቀ emplifi	CRM platform for business-to-consumer companies	NA	\$1,000	\$11
3/10/2022	Spectrum Equity	🕑 customer.io	Automated messaging platform for marketers	\$85	\$785	\$94
2/24/2022	BlackRock	终 AnyRoad	Experiential marketing platform	\$47	\$397	\$72
2/23/2022	Goldman Sachs Management	bloomreach	Cloud-based software suite that connects customer and product data to personalize digital commerce experiences	\$175	\$2,200	\$272
2/16/2022	NEA®	uniphore 🐠	Al-powered conversational automation platform	\$400	\$2,500	\$745
2/10/2022	NEA	brancằ	Mobile linking platform that unifies user experiences and measurement across devices, platforms and channels	\$300	\$4,000	\$667
1/31/2022	KI	CYARA	Customer experience assurance platform	\$350	NA	\$375
1/20/2022	BLUE OWL	Ø sense	Predictive intelligence platform designed to help uncover revenue growth opportunities	\$200	\$5,200	\$418
1/12/2022	B Capital I DI CAPITAL Group PARTNERS	() HIGHSPOT	Al-powered sales enablement platform	\$248	\$3,648	\$660



Appendix

Front Office Software Public Comparable Companies

(\$ in millions unless denoted otherwise)

(*	Market	Enterprise	EV / Re	venue	EV / El	BITDA	Revenue	Growth	Gross	Margin	EBITDA	Margin
Company	Сар	Value	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	2021-2022E	2022-2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E
Enterprise Software Applications												
Oracle	\$226,767	\$310,806	6.6x	6.0x	13.9x	12.7x	12%	11%	76%	75%	48%	47%
Adobe	\$158,943	\$157,480	8.9x	8.2x	17.9x	16.6x	12%	9%	88%	89%	50%	49%
Salesforce	\$135,507	\$138,233	4.5x	4.0x	17.8x	16.8x	18%	11%	77%	78%	25%	24%
SAP	\$119,992	\$124,095	3.8x	3.5x	12.0x	10.9x	11%	7%	72%	73%	31%	32%
Top Quartile	\$175,899	\$195,812	7.2x	6.5x	17.8x	16.7x	14%	11%	80%	80%	48%	48%
Mean	\$160,302	\$182,654	6.0x	5.4x	15.4x	14.3x	13%	10%	78%	79%	39%	38%
Median	\$147,225	\$147,857	5.6x	5.0x	15.8x	14.7x	12%	10%	77%	76%	40%	40%
Bottom Quartile	\$131,628	\$134,698	4.3x	3.9x	13.4x	12.2x	11%	9%	75%	74%	30%	30%

High Growth FOS App.												
Hubspot	\$14,508	\$13,960	8.2x	6.8x	NM	NM	31%	21%	82%	82%	12%	12%
ZoomInfo	\$12,441	\$13,297	12.1x	9.9x	NM	23.0x	47%	22%	87%	89%	29%	43%
Freshworks	\$4,777	\$3,656	7.3x	6.1x	NM	NM	34%	21%	81%	82%	(1%)	(1%)
DoubleVerify	\$3,792	\$3,634	8.0x	6.5x	26.2x	21.2x	36%	24%	83%	82%	31%	31%
Sprout Social	\$3,102	\$2,952	11.6x	9.0x	NM	NM	35%	29%	77%	76%	(1%)	1%
Braze	\$2,713	\$2,292	6.7x	5.2x	NM	NM	49%	28%	68%	68%	(19%)	(12%)
Amplitude	\$1,589	\$1,353	5.7x	4.5x	NM	NM	41%	26%	74%	73%	(9%)	(7%)
Similarweb	\$536	\$521	2.7x	2.2x	NM	NM	40%	22%	74%	76%	(31%)	(14%)
Top Quartile	\$6,693	\$6,066	9.0x	7.3x	26.2x	22.6x	43%	27%	82%	82%	17%	17%
Mean	\$5,432	\$5,208	7.8x	6.3x	26.2x	22.1x	39%	24%	78%	79%	1%	6%
Median	\$3,447	\$3,293	7.7x	6.3x	26.2x	22.1x	38%	23%	79%	79%	(1%)	(0%)
Bottom Quartile	\$2,432	\$2,058	6.4x	5.0x	26.2x	21.7x	35%	22%	74%	75%	(12%)	(8%)

Source: Trading multiples based on share price, other market data, and broker consensus future earnings estimates from S&P Capital IQ as of 12/31/22. High Growth FOS Applications defined as >=20% '22-'23E Revenue Growth and excludes companies above \$100 billion Market Cap. Sorted by descending Market Cap. NM indicates multiples >30x.

Front Office Software Public Comparable Companies (cont.)

(\$ in millions unless denoted otherwise)

	Market	Entornrico	EV / Re	evenue	EV / E	BITDA	Revenue	e Growth	Gross	Margin	EBITDA	Margin
Company	Сар	Enterprise Value	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	2021-2022E	2022-2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E	CY 2022E	CY 2023E
Low and Modest Growth FOS App.												
GoDaddy	\$11,662	\$14,556	3.6x	3.3x	14.6x	13.5x	7%	7%	64%	64%	24%	25%
Twilio	\$9,758	\$6,802	1.8x	1.5x	29.4x	18.4x	34%	17%	51%	51%	6%	8%
UiPath	\$7,659	\$6,044	5.9x	5.0x	NM	NM	17%	18%	85%	84%	4%	8%
Qualtrics	\$6,973	\$6,517	4.5x	3.8x	NM	NM	36%	16%	71%	78%	8%	9%
Wix.com	\$4,739	\$4,659	3.4x	3.1x	NM	NM	9%	9%	63%	65%	0%	10%
Sinch	\$3,187	\$4,171	1.5x	1.3x	14.7x	11.5x	75%	13%	31%	32%	10%	12%
Squarespace	\$3,153	\$3,565	4.1x	3.8x	26.6x	22.4x	10%	10%	83%	82%	16%	17%
Pegasystems	\$2,814	\$3,220	2.6x	2.3x	NM	28.9x	4%	11%	73%	73%	1%	8%
Sprinklr	\$2,282	\$1,753	2.9x	2.5x	NM	NM	25%	16%	73%	74%	1%	6%
Zeta	\$2,239	\$2,308	4.0x	3.4x	25.8x	19.9x	26%	17%	65%	65%	16%	17%
LiveRamp	\$1,558	\$1,116	1.9x	1.8x	17.6x	12.9x	14%	9%	74%	74%	11%	14%
Integral Ad Science	\$1,428	\$1,613	4.0x	3.5x	13.1x	11.2x	24%	14%	81%	82%	31%	31%
Momentive	\$1,110	\$1,152	2.4x	2.2x	21.0x	13.4x	8%	8%	84%	84%	11%	17%
Yext	\$874	\$832	2.1x	2.0x	NM	24.4x	3%	4%	75%	76%	3%	8%
LivePerson	\$817	\$1,168	2.2x	2.1x	NM	16.3x	11%	6%	69%	72%	1%	13%
Coveo	\$734	\$541	5.1x	4.2x	NM	NM	30%	22%	76%	77%	(18%)	(11%)
LiveChat	\$629	\$620	9.5x	8.3x	15.3x	13.5x	34%	16%	84%	85%	62%	61%
ON24	\$464	\$132	0.7x	0.7x	NM	NM	(6%)	0%	75%	75%	(8%)	(1%)
Top Quartile	\$4,351	\$4,537	4.1x	3.7x	25.8x	20.5x	29%	16%	80%	81%	14%	17%
Mean	\$3,449	\$3,376	3.5x	3.1x	19.8x	17.2x	20%	12%	71%	72%	10%	14%
Median	\$2,260	\$2,030	3.1x	2.8x	17.6x	14.9x	16%	12%	74%	75%	7%	11%
Bottom Quartile	\$933	\$1,125	2.1x	2.0x	14.7x	13.3x	8%	8%	66%	67%	1%	8%

Source: Trading multiples based on share price, other market data, and broker consensus future earnings estimates from S&P Capital IQ as of 12/31/22. Low and Modest Growth FOS Applications defined as <20% '22-'23E Revenue Growth and excludes companies above \$100 billion Market Cap. Sorted by descending Market Cap. NM indicates multiples >30x.

Leading Independent, Global Advisory Firm

Houli	han Lok		Houlihan Lokey is the trusted advisor to more top decision makers than any other independent global investment ba						
~2,500 Employees	35 Locations	> \$6 Billion Market Cap	HLI LISTED NYSE	> \$2 Billion Annual Revenue	~25% Employee-Owned	No Debt			
Corporate Finance		Financial Restructuring		Financial and Valuation Advisory	Financial S Coverage	Sponsors			
Under \$1 Billion		 No. 1 Global Restructurin Advisor \$3.0 Trillion of Aggregate Transaction Value Completed 		 No. 1 Global M&A Fairness Opinion Advisor Over the Past 25 Years 1,000+ Annual Valuation Engagements 	 No. 1 Global Ad Private Equity F 1,000+ Sponsor Globally 	irms			
2022 M&A Advisory R Global Transactions I Billion		2022 Global Distressed Deb & Bankruptcy Restructuring Advisory Rankings	-	1998 to 2022 Global M&A Fairness Advisory Rankings	2021 Most Active of Investment Banks Private Equity Firm	to			
Rank Advisor	Deals	Rank Advisor Do	eals	Rank Advisor Deals	Rank Advisor	Deals			
1 Houlihan Lokey	381	1 Houlihan Lokey	58	1 Houlihan Lokey 1,232	1 Houlihan Lok	ey 323			
2 Rothschild	369	2 PJT Partners	30	2 JP Morgan 1,030	2 Deloitte	218			
3 JP Morgan	217	3 Lazard	29	3 Duff & Phelps, A Kroll Business 938	3 William Blair	183			
Source: Refinitiv. Excludes accounting firms and	brokers.	Source: Refinitiv.		Source: Refinitiv. Announced or completed transactions.	Source: PitchBook.				

Houlihan Lokey Is the Trusted Advisor to More Top Decision-Makers Than Any Other Independent Global Investment Bank

2022 M&A Advisory Rankings All Global Technology Transactions

	Advisor	Deals
1	Houlihan Lokey	116
2	Goldman Sachs	106
3	Morgan Stanley	79
4	Rothschild	76
5	JP Morgan	75
Sour	ce: Refinitiv. Excludes accounting firms and brokers.	

2022 M&A Advisory Rankings Global Transactions Under \$1 Billion

	Advisor	Deals
1	Houlihan Lokey	381
2	Rothschild	369
3	JP Morgan	217
4	Lazard	206
5	Goldman Sachs	203
Sour	ce: Refinitiv. Excludes accounting firms and brokers.	

No. 1

Global M&A Advisor Under \$1 Billion

No. 1

Global Restructuring Advisor

No. 1

Global M&A Fairness Opinion Advisor Over the Past 25 Years* Leading Capital Markets Advisor

1,500+

Transactions Completed Valued at More Than \$3.0 Trillion Collectively

1,000+

Annual Valuation Engagements

Houlihan Lokey's Tech M&A Team Is No. 1 Globally With Unparalleled Reach



Disclaimer

© 2023 Houlihan Lokey. All rights reserved. This material may not be reproduced in any format by any means or redistributed without the prior written consent of Houlihan Lokey.

Houlihan Lokey is a trade name for Houlihan Lokey, Inc., and its subsidiaries and affiliates, which include the following licensed (or, in the case of Singapore, exempt) entities: in (i) the United States: Houlihan Lokey Capital, Inc., and Houlihan Lokey Advisors, LLC, each an SEC-registered brokerdealer and member of FINRA (www.finra.org) and SIPC (www.sipc.org) (investment banking services); (ii) Europe: Houlihan Lokey Advisory Limited, Houlihan Lokey EMEA, LLP, Houlihan Lokey (Corporate Finance) Limited, and Houlihan Lokey UK Limited, authorized and regulated by the U.K. Financial Conduct Authority; Houlihan Lokey (Europe) GmbH, authorized and regulated by the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht); (iii) the United Arab Emirates, Dubai International Financial Centre (Dubai): Houlihan Lokey (MEA Financial Advisory) Limited, regulated by the Dubai Financial Services Authority for the provision of advising on financial products, arranging deals in investments, and arranging credit and advising on credit to professional clients only; (iv) Singapore: Houlihan Lokey (Singapore) Private Limited and Houlihan Lokey Advisers Singapore Private Limited, each an "exempt corporate finance adviser" able to provide exempt corporate finance advisory services to accredited investors only; (v) Hong Kong SAR: Houlihan Lokey (China) Limited, licensed in Hong Kong by the Securities and Futures Commission to conduct Type 1, 4, and 6 regulated activities to professional investors only; (vi) India: Houlihan Lokey Advisory (India) Private Limited, registered as an investment adviser with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (registration number INA000001217); and (vii) Australia: Houlihan Lokey (Australia) Pty Limited (ABN 74 601 825 227), a company incorporated in Australia and licensed by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (AFSL number 474953) in respect of financial services provided to wholesale clients only. In the United Kingdom, European Economic Area (EEA), Dubai, Singapore, Hong Kong, India, and Australia, this communication is directed to intended recipients, including actual or potential professional clients (UK, EEA, and Dubai), accredited investors (Singapore), professional investors (Hong Kong), and wholesale clients (Australia), respectively. Other persons, such as retail clients, are NOT the intended recipients of our communications or services and should not act upon this communication. To opt out of receiving marketing communications from Houlihan Lokey and to manage your preferences in relation to the communications that Houlihan Lokey sends you, click here. Written inquiries can be sent to 10250 Constellation Blvd., 5th Fl., Los Angeles, CA 90067, or you may reach us via our contact page.

Houlihan Lokey gathers its data from sources it considers reliable; however, it does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of the information provided within this presentation. The material presented reflects information known to the authors at the time this presentation was written, and this information is subject to change. Houlihan Lokey makes no representations or warranties, expressed or implied, regarding the accuracy of this material. The views expressed in this material accurately reflect the personal views of the authors regarding the subject securities and issuers and do not necessarily coincide with those of Houlihan Lokey. Officers, directors, and partners in the Houlihan Lokey group of companies may have positions in the securities of the companies discussed. This presentation does not constitute advice or a recommendation, offer, or solicitation with respect to the securities of any company discussed herein, is not intended to provide information upon which to base an investment decision, and should not be construed as such. Houlihan Lokey or its affiliates may from time to time provide investment banking or related services to these companies. Like all Houlihan Lokey employees, the authors of this presentation receive compensation that is affected by overall firm profitability.



Houlihan Lokey

FRONT OFFICE SOFTWARE: 2022 IN REVIEW

CORPORATE FINANCE FINANCIAL RESTRUCTURING FINANCIAL AND VALUATION ADVISORY

HL.com