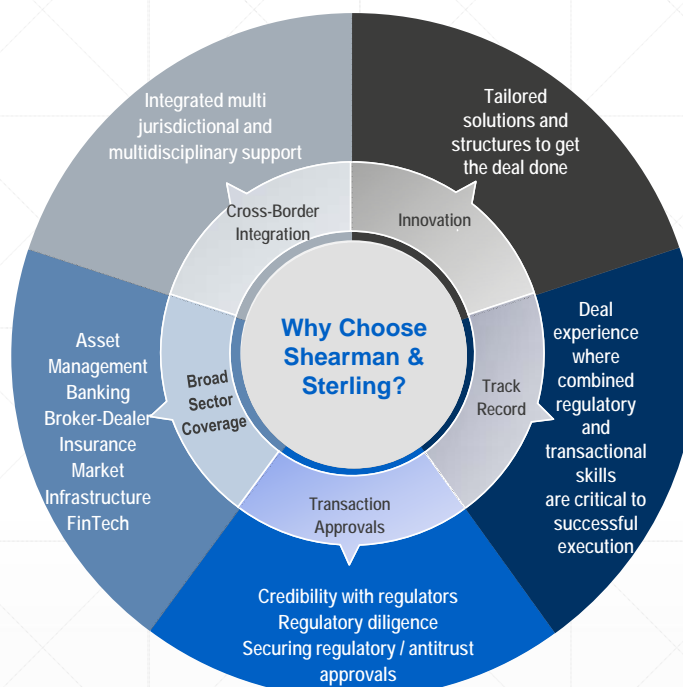


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REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Global Proprietary M&A

Asset Management:

- **Citibank N.A.** in the sale of its Alternative Investor Services business, comprised of hedge fund and private equity fund services, to SS&C Technologies.
- **Société Générale** in the acquisition of Kleinwort Benson and merger with SocGen's UK private bank, Hambros, to create a top 20 UK wealth management firm.
- **Skybridge Capital** in its sale to HNA.
- **GE Asset Management and GE Investment Distributors** in their sale to State Street.

- **Amundi Group** in its acquisition of fixed income manager Smith Breeden Associates, Inc.
- **Legg Mason** in its acquisition of a majority stake in Clarion Partners, and in its acquisition of Citigroup's worldwide asset management business.

Wealth Management:

- **Credit Suisse** in the sale of its US private banking division to Morgan Stanley and Wells Fargo, respectively.
- **Barclays** in the sale of its Latin America- facing Wealth Management Division to Santander.
- **Banco Itau** in its acquisition of private banking businesses of BankBoston and ABN AMRO.
- **Citi Private Bank** in connection with its reorganization following the sale of Smith Barney.
- **Garantia** in its \$675 million sale to Credit Suisse.

Financial Institutions M&A:

- **Merrill Lynch** in its acquisition by Bank of America.
- **Merrill Lynch** in the sale of its energy trading unit.
- **Citicorp** in its merger with The Travelers Group.
- **Morgan Stanley** in its merger with Dean Witter, Discover & Co.
- **Bank of Communications Co. Ltd. (BoCom)** in the acquisition of 80% of the total outstanding shares of Brazil's Banco BBM.
- **Blackstone** in the spin-out of their advisory businesses to create PJT Partners.
- **Pierpont Securities Holdings LLC** in its acquisition of Cortview Capital Securities LLC from Warburg Pincus LLC.
- **Banco Itau** in its acquisition of Banco Unibanco.
- **Evercore** in its acquisition of ISI.
- **A Consortium of Banks**, led by **RBS**, in its acquisition of ABN AMRO.

Credit Cards and Other:

- **Citibank** in its acquisition of the \$14 billion U.S. co-brand credit card portfolio of Costco Wholesale Corporation from American Express Company.
- Various outsourcing arrangements for **Barclays, Citigroup, and Credit Suisse**.
- **Barclays** in its acquisition of the U.S. mortgage servicing business of HomeEq Servicing Corporation from Wachovia Corporation.
- **Helm Corporation** in its sale of Helm Bank SA, as well as 80% of its insurance brokerage business, to CorpBanca.
- **Fairfax Financial Holdings** in its \$1.9 billion takeover of specialty insurer and reinsurer Brit plc.
- **Mizuho Financial Group** in its acquisition of a \$36.5 billion portfolio of North American loan commitments from RBS.

FinTech M&A

- **Thomson Reuters** in its acquisition of REDI Holdings from Goldman Sachs, Bank of American Merrill Lynch, Barclays and Citadel.
- **ICE Clear Europe** on the transition of clearing of the NYSE Liffe London derivatives market from NYSE Liffe and LCH Clearnet Ltd to ICE Clear Europe.
- **Bolsa de Mercadorias & Futuros S.A.** in its \$22.4 billion merger with Bovespa Holding S.A. to create the world's third-largest stock exchange.

- **A Large Custodian Bank** on using blockchain.
- **Bank of Nova Scotia** in its acquisition of E*TRADE Canada from E*TRADE Financial Corporation.
- **Thomson Reuters** on its purchase of TradeWeb, a multi-jurisdictional trading platform authorized in the UK.
- **FINRA** in its agreement with NYSE Euronext to provide market regulation services.
- **Salesforce.com** in its \$2.8 billion acquisition of NYSE-listed cloud-based e-commerce platform Demandware, Inc.
- **Visa** in its acquisition of PlaySpan Inc.
- **Norwest Venture Partners** in its investment in the National Stock Exchange of India.
- **Intuit Limited** in its acquisitions of several online and cloud-based payroll services companies, including PayCycle, Inc., Acrede Technology Group Holdings and PaySuite.
- **Plia Systems** in its acquisition of US equities broker-dealer SJ Levinson & Sons LLC.
- **Intercontinental Exchange** in its sales of NYFIX, Metabit and Wombat Financial Software, all units of NYSE Technologies.
- **NASDAQ OMX Group** in its acquisition of the Investor Relations, Public Relations and Multimedia Solutions businesses of Thomson Reuters.
- **NASDAQ OMX Group** on its acquisition of FTEN, Inc.
- **NASDAQ OMX Group** in the creation of a joint venture with SharesPost, Inc. to form The NASDAQ Private Market LLC.
- **NASDAQ OMX Group** in its joint bid, together with the Intercontinental Exchange, for NYSE Euronext.