

Transactions for Satcom Direct and Construction Partners Earn International Deal of The Year Honors from The M&A Advisor

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Two of Haynes Boone's most impactful and significant transactions from 2024 will be honored at the 16th Annual International M&A Awards.

The M&A Advisor announced on June 20 that the 2025 Telecommunications Deal of the Year winner is the [\\$600 million sale](#) of Satcom Direct to Gogo Inc., while the Corporate/Strategic Deal of the Year (\$500 million–\$1 billion) is the [\\$950 million acquisition](#) of Lone Star Paving by Construction Partners, Inc.

In the former, a Haynes Boone team led by Partners [Brent Beckert](#) and [Kenric Kattner](#) helped combine two leaders in inflight connectivity and aviation solutions, positioning Gogo for next-generation growth in business aviation. The team also included M&A Senior Counsel [Steven Buxbaum](#), Corporate Counsel [Kourtney Lyda](#) and M&A Associates [Joshua Reisman](#), Spencer Bateman, [Ryan Ward](#) and [Janet Wyse](#), along with a cross-disciplinary team of subject-matter specialists.

"Haynes Boone's full-service team provided the expert guidance we needed to navigate this complex deal," Satcom Direct President Chris Moore said when the deal signed. "Their in-depth industry knowledge and collaborative approach were invaluable in helping us achieve this successful outcome."

Meanwhile, Partner [Kellie Bobo](#) led the effort counseling Construction Partners, Inc. in its near-billion-dollar acquisition – a transaction involving regional heavyweights that expanded Construction Partners' footprint across Texas and enhanced its infrastructure capabilities throughout the region. The deal team also featured M&A support from Partner [Bryan Diebels](#) and Associates Rachael Williams and [Taylor Calvert](#), finance contributions from Partners [Sakina Rasheed Foster](#) and [Paul Amiel](#) and Associates [Laura Shapiro](#) and Serena Heydari, and capital markets work from Partners [Rosebud Nau](#) and [Greg Samuel](#) and Associates [Rachel O'Donnell](#) and [Alexa Cooper](#).

Beckert and Bobo also earned M&A Advisor's Emerging Leader Award in [2023](#) and [2024](#), respectively.

This year's winners were selected by an independent judging panel and will be honored at the 2025 Leadership in Dealmaking Summit in New York City on Sept. 15-16.

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