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Winston Team Wins *The Middle Market's* 2026 Mergers & Acquisitions Deal of the Year Award

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A Winston deal team received *The Middle Market's* 2026 Mergers & Acquisitions Deal of the Year Award for their representation of Stout, a leading global advisory firm and portfolio company of Audax Private Equity, in its entry into a new strategic partnership with Integrum Holdings LP, a private investment firm focused on partnering with technology-enabled services companies in the financial and business services sectors. The team was led by M&A Practice Chair Brian Schafer and partner Charles Vargo and supported by associates Maggie Keller, Reed Silverman, Marianna Wonder.

This series celebrates outstanding deals and the people that made them happen. Awards go to the top deals of 2025, and honor all companies involved in the transaction including buyers, sellers, investment banks, law firms, accounting firms, and other advisors to the deal.

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