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Bill Brandt, Jr. To Receive The 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award From The M&A Advisor

New York, August 23, 2022 – The M&A Advisor is proud to announce that William A. (Bill) Brandt, Jr. will be recognized as the recipient of the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award from The M&A Advisor. Mr. Brandt is to be honored for his significant contribution to the bankruptcy and restructuring industry during the 16th Annual Turnaround Awards Gala Celebration, a feature of the 2022 Leadership in Dealmaking Summit, on Wednesday September 21st at the prestigious New York Athletic Club in New York City.

“We are honored to present Bill Brandt with the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award,” says Roger Aguinaldo, Founder and CEO of The M&A Advisor. “Each year over the past two decades, The M&A Advisor has been recognizing the most active and accomplished dealmakers for their unique achievements. This year’s Lifetime Achievement Award shines a light on a truly extraordinary body of work that spans over four decades. This year, we see no other person who exemplifies an unwavering commitment to consistent performance at the highest level than Bill. His clients, and the business community at large, have unquestionably been the beneficiaries of his efforts.”

Mr. Brandt is Founder and Executive Chairman of Development Specialists, Inc. (DSI). With a career spanning over 45 years, he is known internationally as one of the true pioneers of the restructuring industry. He is a member of the International Insolvency Institute, as well as INSOL, and is a U.S. Participant in the 100-member cross-border consortium known as the International Exchange of Experience in Insolvency. Mr. Brandt has advised the United States Congress on matters of insolvency and bankruptcy policy, and in that capacity was the principal author of the amendment to the Bankruptcy Code permitting the election of trustees in Chapter 11 cases. He was directly involved in drafting several of the amendments to the Bankruptcy Code which became part of the revisions enacted into law in April 2005 as part of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act. Mr. Brandt also served as a member of the Commission empaneled by the American Bankruptcy Institute to address the reform of Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and the nation’s corporate restructuring regime. Mr. Brandt was the Chapter 11 Trustee of China Fishery Group, the largest cross-national insolvency pending in the United States. He currently serves as the Chapter 11 trustee for the San Luis & Rio Grande Railroad in southern Colorado.

With the presentation of the 2022 M&A Advisor Lifetime Achievement Award, Mr. Brandt joins a notable and exclusive community of industry leaders who have preceded him, including former Commerce Secretary Wilbur L. Ross, former Gov. Bruce Rauner, Bruce Wasserstein, Jack Butler, Robert “Steve” Miller, H. Rodgin Cohen, Jay Goffman, Richard D. Parsons, David Bonderman, Harvey R. Miller, Henry Miller, Barry Ridings, Peter G. Peterson, Paul Singerman, James H.M. Sprayregen, and Sheila Smith, among others.

In addition to being recognized on September 21, Mr. Brandt will also be inducted into The M&A Advisor’s Hall of Fame during The M&A Advisor’s Signature Awards Gala on November 15, 2022, a feature of the 2022 Future of Dealmaking Summit.

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