

Stinson Recognized for Middle Market Mergers at The Deal Awards

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Stinson LLP is proud to announce that the firm has received top recognition in the Energy & Industrials Middle Market category as part of The Deal Awards 2021. The annual awards by *The Deal* recognizes advisers, professionals, firms and banks driving the deal economy forward.

Stinson was selected for serving as lead legal advisor to Kansas City-based BacklotCars Inc. in connection with its \$425-million merger with an affiliate of KAR Global.

“Stinson was an integral part of one of the most forward-looking and innovative deals of the year in BackLotCars’ sale to KAR Auction Services. The team helped the target to a speedy and successful close. Innovation and persistence were key attributes of all our dealmakers honored this year, as they navigated new structures, new technologies and new ways of thought that truly shaped the dealmaking world,” The Deal Awards research team stated.

In addition to winning the Energy & Industrials Middle Market category, the BackLotCars merger and the firm was shortlisted in the category for Most Innovative Middle Market Deal. The firm had a second deal shortlisted in the Energy & Industrials Middle Market category for its representation of Koch in the acquisition of Sentient Energy.

“This recognition exemplifies the strength of our domestic and cross-border M&A practice and is just another example of why clients choose our team for their complex and critically important transactions,” said [Jack Bowling](#), chair of Stinson’s corporate finance and M&A division. “We are proud of the relentless work our division exhibits daily and we remain steadfast in powering the future through our commitment to client service.”

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The firm's M&A practice is among the largest in the Midwest and has a history of advising leading companies on complex and significant deals.

Honorees were recognized at a celebration on September 23 in New York.

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