

FORWARD™ Program for Post-Transaction Finance



Our proprietary FORWARD™ Program is thoughtfully designed and expertly implemented to provide hands-on bandwidth support and/or CFO-level leadership for the Company and Sponsor during the critical post-close period. Through this engagement, we generate timely and reliable visibility into performance and financial results.

We deliver a **comprehensive roadmap and experienced, dedicated resources** to optimize the existing accounting and finance function, ensuring a solid foundation poised for growth. The FORWARD engagement provides stakeholders comfort in financial operations and an unincumbered line of sight to execute strategic initiatives.

Our proven **Approach** is curated to the unique circumstances of each situation and often includes:

- ✓ **Closing Balance Sheet**
- ✓ **Cash to GAAP Conversion**
- ✓ **Purchase Accounting & Allocation Study**
- ✓ **Lender Reporting & Covenant Compliance**
- ✓ **Management Reporting with MD&A**
- ✓ **Finance Departmental Leadership**
- ✓ **Month End Close Optimization**
- ✓ **Final Closing Statement Review**
- ✓ **Cash Management & Forecasting**
- ✓ **Financial Consolidation**
- ✓ **Audit & Tax Coordination**
- ✓ **Alignment of Chart of Accounts (Bolt-On)**

Every FORWARD™ engagement reflects a seamless two-pronged approach starting with a **Rapid Assessment** of the current financial infrastructure and detailed understanding of the expected end state and deliverables for management, investors, and lenders. We provide clarity and order by producing a clear, actionable, prioritized, and appropriately sequenced **Project Plan**, vetted with all key stakeholders.

We execute the Plan, while providing departmental leadership if needed, producing results focused on completing transaction-related matters and optimizing the finance function. Our work concludes with the seamless transition to a permanent finance team or leader.

Our team members have acute expertise in post-transaction finance and accounting optimization. We are 'hands-on' supporting both Sponsor and Company during this crucial time, and our FORWARD™ Program ensures the investment gets off on the right foot, poised for long-term success.

POST-TRANSACTION FORWARD™ PROGRAM *BY THE NUMBERS*

125+ PE-backed companies supported annually by our FORWARD™ Program

20+ years of working exclusively with PE-backed, middle-market portfolio companies

Our Difference

DEEP EXPERIENCE.
NIMBLE TEAM. BIG IMPACT.

FLEXIBLE — Our proven approach is tailed to every engagement because each situation is unique.

EXPERIENCE — We leverage our top-tier public accounting backgrounds, diverse industry experience, and track record, which includes 3,000+ private equity-backed companies and 300 private equity funds.

AGILE — We embrace the delicate art of balancing persistence and patience while understanding your needs for transparent communication, flexibility, and results.

RESPONSIVE — We proactively illuminate and address any potential blind spots, communicating with you and solving small matters before they have a chance to become significant issues.



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Expertise In Action

Sample of Post-Transaction FORWARD™ engagements conducted over the last year



Private Equity Fund:
Knox Lane



Private Equity Fund:
PSG Equity



Private Equity Fund:
HighView Capital



Private Equity Fund:
Kainos Capital



Private Equity Fund:
Wind Point Partners



Private Equity Fund:
New Mountain Capital



A Predictis Company

Private Equity Fund:
Alpine Investors



Private Equity Fund:
Wynnchurch Capital



Private Equity Fund:
J.F. Lehman & Company