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## Kirkland & Ellis and Joele Frank Lead The Deal's Q2 League Tables

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NEW YORK, July 2, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- [The Deal](#), a business unit of TheStreet, Inc. (NASDAQ: TST), today published its preliminary league tables for the second quarter of 2018, highlighting the top global advisers involved in mergers and acquisitions, bankruptcy, out-of-court restructuring, private equity deals and life settlements.

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View the Q2 2018 rankings [here](#).

Taking the top spots for M&A are Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Innisfree M&A Inc.

"The first half of 2018 saw a bevy of big deals, with 16 transactions of \$10 billion or more involving a U.S. company announced so far this year," observed David Marcus, Senior Writer of The Deal. "The activity has come in a range of sectors including media and telecommunications, healthcare and energy."

Rankings include the names of lead M&A and/or corporate partners at law firms that represented principals and investment advisers. Only deals involving a change of control at a target company with a market value of \$100 million or more are included, and only when a key party involved is a U.S. company. Unless the target is a recognized stand-alone operating business, rankings will not include asset sales, unit sales, sales of subsidiaries, spin-offs or joint ventures.

Kirkland & Ellis LLP also leads the rankings for bankruptcy deals along with Evercore Partners Inc., Zolfo Cooper LLC and Joele Frank Wilkinson Brimmer Katcher.

"The energy sector was by far the most active sector for companies filing for bankruptcy in the second quarter," noted Kirk O'Neil, Associate Editor of The Deal, concerning bankruptcy activity. "Many oil and gas exploration and production companies resorted to filing Chapter 11 to reorganize after unsuccessfully trying to restructure out of court."

The Deal's Bankruptcy League Tables are comprised of advisory assignments on business petitions with liabilities of at least \$25 million, filed in U.S. courts, between January 1 and December 31, 2018.

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