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Baker Donelson Wins at 24th Annual M&A Advisor Awards

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Baker Donelson has been recognized at the 24th Annual M&A Advisor Awards as the winner of the Cross-Border Deals of the Year (Over \$1B) category. These prestigious awards, presented by The M&A Advisor, recognize the leading transactions, firms, and professionals in the mergers and acquisitions field.

Baker Donelson was recognized for its role as legal counsel to IMC Logistics – the largest marine drayage provider in the nation – in a strategic partnership agreement with one of its longtime customers, Kuehne+Nagel, in acquiring 51 percent of the company. Baker Donelson was named a finalist for the same deal in three other categories: Law Firm of the Year, Industrials Deal of the Year (Over \$1B), and M&A Deals of the Year (\$1B to \$5B).

"I'm incredibly proud of the exceptional work of our team involved in this deal," said Tonya Mitchem Grindon, chair of the Firm's Business Department and lead attorney for the recognized transaction. "Their outstanding efforts led to the closing of a very complex transaction that not only helped achieve our client's strategic goals but also had a significant impact on U.S. cross-border economics. This team exemplified the collaborative approach we take to every engagement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our clients."

The M&A Advisor Awards are widely regarded as the benchmark for excellence in dealmaking. This year's finalists were chosen from a competitive pool of candidates and represent the highest standards of performance and innovation in the M&A landscape.

The winners were announced at the Black-Tie Awards Gala during the 2025 Future of Dealmaking Summit on November 18 and 19 in New York City.