

## Data Analytics IT Consulting

M&A Update

Q2 2022

Solganick & Co. is a data-driven investment bank focused on sell-side M&A advisory services. We focus exclusively on software, IT services, and healthcare IT companies.

#### **Sector Focused**

We are focused entirely on providing M&A advisory for software and tech-enabled services companies.

#### **Experienced Team**

Our experienced team of investment bankers come from top firms from within the industry.

## **Client-First Approach**

We have the understanding and experience to effectively assess and achieve our clients' unique strategic and financial objectives.

## **Industry Recognition**

Recognized as a Top Software Investment Bank by Axial, Top Investment Bank and Leader of Influence by the Los Angeles Business Journal.



IT Services Coverage Areas

**Public Cloud IT Services** 

IT Consulting, VAR, Implementation

Data Analytics, Al and Machine Learning IT Consulting

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Managed Service Providers (MSP)

**Cybersecurity** 

Enterprise Software "Partner Ecosystems"

Healthcare IT Consulting

Software Development / DevOps



## Select M&A Transaction Experience































#### **Highlighted Transaction**

- Solganick & Co. represented Waypoint in its successful transaction with Wipfli, LLP in early 2022.
- Waypoint Consulting provides
   enterprise data management (i.e., data
   warehousing, integration and
   governance), analytics and enterprise
   performance management solutions to
   healthcare organizations and other
   companies.
- With more than 15 years of experience,
   Waypoint is recognized among the most reputable analytic solution providers in the U.S. today.
- Solganick & Co. facilitated a highly targeted and competitive sell-side M&A process that culminated in a strong financial result for our client with a highly strategically aligned partner.





February 2022

## Case Study: VisualBI Acquired by Atos

#### Client

 Visual BI is a data analytics IT consulting firm with offices in Dallas and India. The Company is a Snowflake Elite Partner and provides cloud data management and integration services.

#### **Situation**

- The founder of Visual BI selected Solganick & Co. to assist in evaluating and executing its M&A plans after the Company received an unsolicited offer.
- The Solganick & Co. team was confident in its ability to leverage its deep domain expertise and relationships to procure multiple, high-quality offers in excess of the initial offer received by the Company.

#### **Process and Results**

- Solganick & Co. conducted an efficient, focused and highly competitive M&A marketing process involving potential financial and strategic buyers.
- Several highly-qualified parties expressed interest and submitted compelling offers.
- After discussions and preliminary negotiations with numerous groups, ATOS/MavenWave ultimately put forth the most compelling offer.
- Solganick was able to increase the upfront cash amount by 50% and total valuation by 25%.
- Through the transaction, Visual BI's founders were able to maximize cash at close with a very attractive market driven transaction multiple.
- The transaction was announced in July 2021 and closed the following month in August 2021.



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# Q2 2022: Market Commentary

- Despite a challenging macroeconomic environment through Q2 2022, we are continuing to see strong buyer demand for quality assets within the Data Analytics IT Consulting sector.
- The Big Data Consulting Market is forecast to reach \$4.2 billion by 2026, growing at a CAGR of 32.3% from 2021 to 2026, according to IndustryARC research.
- Data Analytics IT Consulting has been a large area of focus for Solganick & Co., and through both recently closed transactions as well as opportunities currently in market, valuation multiples and deal terms have been favorable to sellers.
- Both Financial Sponsors and Strategic Buyers are looking to set themselves up for growth beyond the next few quarters, thus we are not seeing the same valuation decay for privately-held companies as what has occurred recently in public markets.
- Access to top-tier talent in the IT consulting sector remains highly competitive for large and small companies alike. Certain skill sets and capabilities such as Data Analytics, DevOps, Cybersecurity, Managed Services, and Public Cloud (AWS, Azure, and GCP) are in high demand.
- Enterprise "Partner Ecosystems" continue to consolidate at a rapid pace; areas of interest continue to be on Snowflake, Salesforce, Public Cloud (AWS, Azure, and GCP), ServiceNow, SAP among others.
- Solganick & Co. is one of the most active boutique M&A advisory firms focused on IT Services and has developed significant deal experience and relationships with strategic and financial buyers globally.

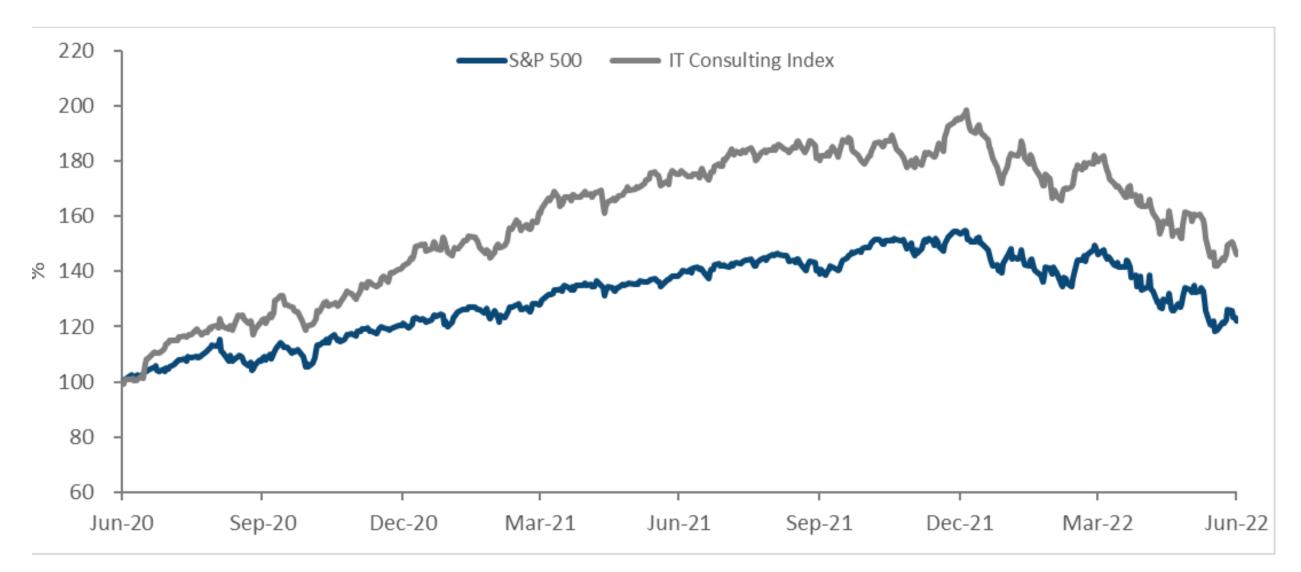


## IT Consulting Public Market Index

| IT Consulting Public Index            | Market Data (\$ millions)     |                   |     |                   |    | EV/ Revenue Multiples |         |                 | EV/ EBITDA Multiples |         |                | EBITDA<br>Margin |         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|----|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------|---------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Company                               | Closing Price<br>(06/30/2022) | % 52-Week<br>High | Equ | ity Market<br>Cap | E  | nterprise<br>Value    | LTM (A) | 2022<br>Revenue | 2023<br>Revenue      | LTM (A) | 2022<br>EBITDA | 2023<br>EBITDA   | LTM (A) |
| Accenture                             | \$277.7                       | 66.5%             | \$  | 175,627           | \$ | 175,378               | 2.9x    | 2.8x            | 2.6x                 | 15.6x   | 14.2x          | 13.0x            | 18.8%   |
| Rackspace Technology                  | 7.2                           | 37.2%             | \$  | 1,512             | \$ | 5,242                 | 1.7x    | 1.6x            | 1.5x                 | 9.5x    | 7.6x           | 6.9x             | 18.1%   |
| Infosys                               | 18.5                          | 70.1%             | \$  | 77,849            | \$ | 75,353                | 4.6x    | 4.0x            | 3.7x                 | 17.6x   | 15.9x          | 14.0x            | 26.2%   |
| HCL Technologies                      | 12.3                          | 65.9%             | \$  | 33,436            | \$ | 31,734                | 2.7x    | 2.5x            | 2.3x                 | 11.7x   | 11.3x          | 10.2x            | 23.0%   |
| Cognizant Technology Solutions        | 67.5                          | 72.2%             | \$  | 35,174            | \$ | 34,720                | 1.8x    | 1.7x            | 1.6x                 | 10.2x   | 8.9x           | 8.1x             | 18.0%   |
| Capgemini                             | 170.9                         | 68.6%             | \$  | 29,458            | \$ | 34,424                | 1.7x    | 1.6x            | 1.5x                 | 12.6x   | 9.5x           | 8.7x             | 13.2%   |
| DXC Technology                        | 30.3                          | 68.6%             | \$  | 6,992             | \$ | 11,554                | 0.7x    | 0.8x            | 0.8x                 | 5.2x    | 4.5x           | 4.4x             | 13.7%   |
| Tata Consultancy Services             | 41.3                          | 75.9%             | \$  | 151,290           | \$ | 150,025               | 5.7x    | 5.3x            | n/a                  | 21.0x   | 19.8x          | n/a              | 27.0%   |
| International Business Machines (IBM) | 141.2                         | 97.6%             | \$  | 126,991           | \$ | 174,246               | 2.7x    | 2.9x            | 2.8x                 | 12.4x   | 10.7x          | 10.1x            | 22.0%   |
| Wipro                                 | 5.3                           | 53.6%             | \$  | 28,883            | \$ | 26,650                | 2.5x    | 2.3x            | n/a                  | 12.1x   | 11.7x          | n/a              | 20.8%   |
| Mean                                  |                               |                   | \$  | 66,721            | \$ | 71,933                | 2.7x    | 2.5x            | 2.1x                 | 12.8x   | 11.4x          | 9.4x             | 20.1%   |
| Median                                |                               |                   | \$  | 34,305            | \$ | 34,572                | 2.6x    | 2.4x            | 2.0x                 | 12.2x   | 11.0x          | 9.4x             | 19.8%   |
| High                                  |                               |                   | \$  | 175,627           | \$ | 175,378               | 5.7x    | 5.3x            | 3.7x                 | 21.0x   | 19.8x          | 14.0x            | 27.0%   |
| Low                                   |                               |                   | \$  | 1,512             | \$ | 5,242                 | 0.7x    | 0.8x            | 0.8x                 | 5.2x    | 4.5x           | 4.4x             | 13.2%   |



## IT Consulting Public Market Index



- Over the past two years (i.e., June 2022 vs. June 2020), our IT Consulting Index has outperformed the S&P 500, growing by 46% compared to 22% respectively.
- Both Indexes are down year to date in line with overall market conditions.
- Many public companies in the IT Consulting index are still aggressively pursuing acquisition opportunities. Accenture, for example, has acquired nine companies through Q2 2022 showing no signs of stopping.

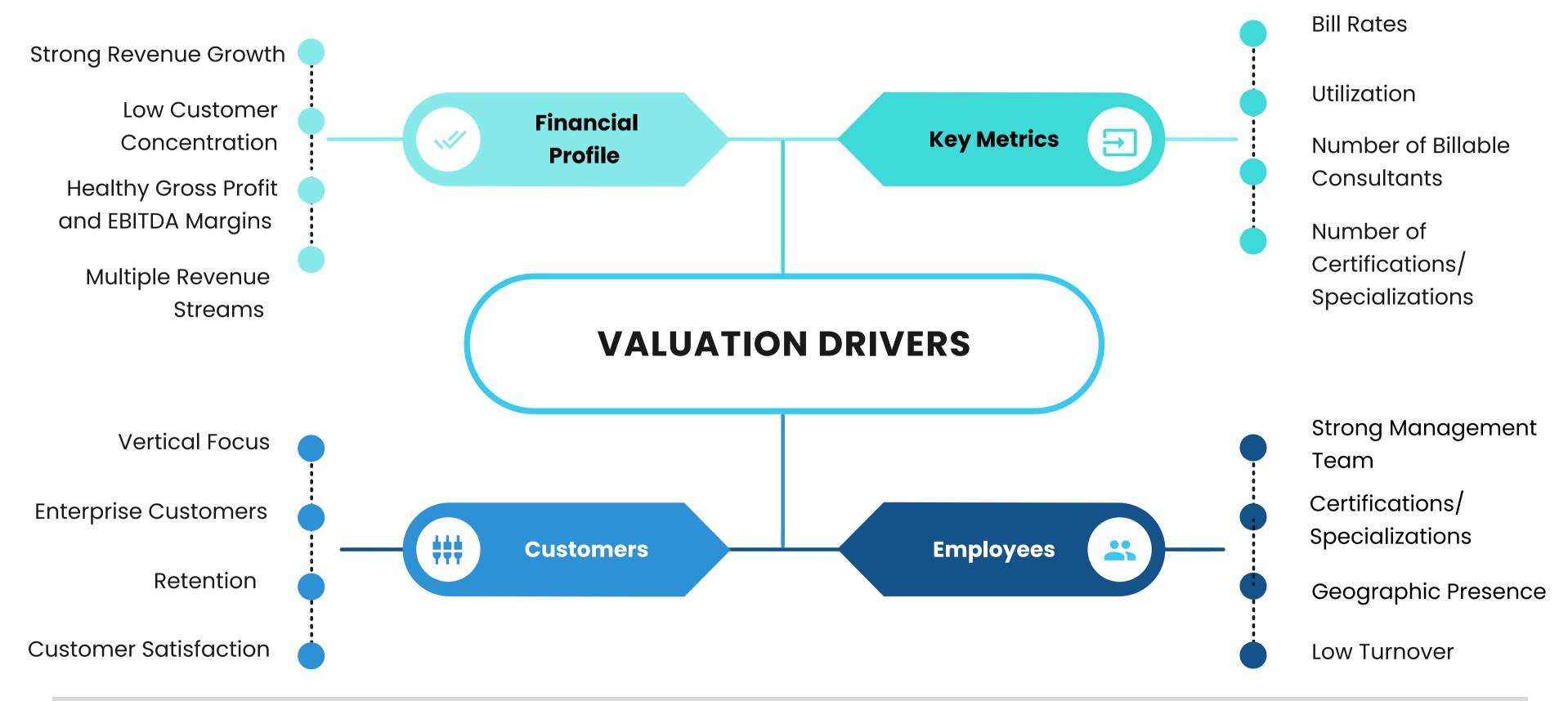


## **Notable M&A Transactions**

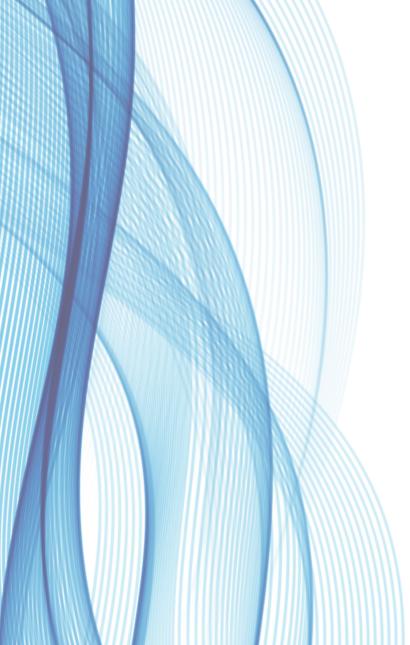
| Date          | Target                 | Acquirer      | Target Description   | Enterprise<br>Value \$mm |
|---------------|------------------------|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| May 2022      | Intellify              | Deloitte.     | Intellify specializes in machine learning, deep learning and artificial intelligence.  | N/A                      |
| May 2022      | TEKNION data solutions | Resultant     | Teknion has been providing business technology solutions that empower clients to realize the full potential from their enterprise data.                            | N/A                      |
| May 2022      | USEREADY               | ABRY PARTNERS | USEReady is a data and analytics firm specializing in Visual Analytics, Cloud Data, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) / Machine Learning (ML) engineering services. | N/A                      |
| April 2022    | ERGO                   | accenture     | Ergo is a data-centered business located in Argentina that helps companies create a culture of data-driven decision-making using big data.                         | N/A                      |
| April 2022    | GENSQUARED             | EY            | Gensquared helps organizations of all sizes get actionable intelligence and real results from their data.  | N/A                      |
| March 2022    | mediaagility           | Persistent    | MediaAgility is a global cloud transformation services provider with deep expertise building scalable, cloud-based solutions as a Google Cloud Premier Partner.    | \$72mm                   |
| February 2022 | Waypoint               | WIPFLI        | Waypoint is a leading provider of business intelligence, data management, and analytics solutions across the United States.  | N/A                      |
| January 2022  | apt·itive              | 2ND<br>WATCH  | Aptitive is an analytics and data consulting company that empowers organizations to access, analyze, and take action on their data.                                | N/A                      |
| October 2021  | SpringML               | RECOGNIZE     | SpringML provides consulting and implementation services and industry-specific analytics solutions that deliver high-impact business value from data.              | N/A                      |
| July 2021     | VISUAL THINK AHEAD.    | Atos          | Visual BI, a cloud data analytics and business intelligence company that partners with Snowflake, Microsoft and SAP.   | N/A                      |



## **Valuation Drivers**







## Q2 2022: Valuation Comentary

Solganick & Co. notes the following private M&A exit multiples for Data Analytics IT Consulting companies as of Q2 2022:

- LTM Enterprise Value to Revenue (EV/Revenue): 2.0x to 3.3x+
- LTM Enterprise Value to EBITDA (EV/EBITDA): 8x to 14.5x+
- Note/Example: The type and quality of work provided by the seller drive valuation. For example, a Snowflake partner that is growing 40% per year and has strong gross profit and EBITDA margins will likely obtain a higher EV/Revenue multiple.
- Deal Strucure: Cash paid at close is a majority of deal structure, followed by equity and/or earnout. I.E. 80% cash, 20% equity or earnout.



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