



Katten Advises North Branch Capital on Sale of STARC Systems to Bertram Capital

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A Katten team led by Global Chair of the firm's Corporate Department, Kimberly Smith, and Corporate Partner Jessica Schauwecker, advised North Branch Capital and the other sellers on the sale of STARC Systems to Bertram Capital.

The team guided North Branch Capital, a partner to growing lower middle-market industrial businesses, through the structuring and negotiation of the sale, positioning the portfolio company for a successful exit following a three-year investment period that saw STARC Systems, a leading manufacturer of reusable temporary containment wall systems, significantly expand its product portfolio and manufacturing capabilities.

Katten's multidisciplinary team included Transactional Tax Planning Partner Valentina Famparska and Associate James Blasland; Head of Employment Transactions Partner Michelle Gyves and Counsel Emery Lyon; Intellectual Property Partner Sean Wooden; Partner Nancy Rich; and Mergers and Acquisitions Associates Luke Anderson and Sophie Morrison.

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