

The Lawyer Reports on Gibson Dunn's Exceptional Transactional Growth

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"Gibson Dunn: to infinity, and beyond."

That is how [The Lawyer](#) [PDF] has described Gibson Dunn's transactional growth — and the numbers behind the headline speak for themselves.

The Lawyer points out that in the London Stock Exchange Group's half-year 2026 M&A rankings, Gibson Dunn has risen from 28th place into the top five global advisers by deal value, with 122 deals totalling \$224.5 billion. As The Lawyer puts it, a firm long viewed primarily through the lens of its litigation strength is now among the leading global M&A advisers, particularly on megadeals.

The article traces that climb to a strategy that Chair Barbara Becker set out in 2021: invest in the core transactional practices, deepen New York, expand London, build stronger private capital relationships, and connect London, the Middle East, and New York as one integrated platform. The firm's London lawyer headcount has grown by some 83% since then, and the Gibson Dunn New York office now ranks ninth in The Lawyer's New York 100.

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