

# Will McDonald Interviewed by Legal Business

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In a horizon-scanning [Legal Business](#) (subscription required) article, leading private equity and M&A lawyers share their views on the direction of global private equity M&A deals. Partner Will McDonald told the publication that the outlook for private equity-backed M&A activity in 2026 is positive following a surge of market activity in the second half of last year. “That there is large-scale M&A in the US doesn’t definitely mean things are about to go gangbusters but it’s a pretty good sign,” Will said. “I’d be more positive about a general increase in the market, rather than spikiness. People will be shrewd and selective for sure, but I think within that context, everyone is a bit more willing to get deals over the line.”

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