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The M&A Advisor Recognizes Troutman Pepper Locke With Information Technology Deal of the Year and Corporate/Strategic Deal of the Year Awards

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NEW YORK – *The M&A Advisor* has recognized Troutman Pepper Locke with two awards for the firm's representation of Payroc in its acquisition of i3 Verticals' merchant services business. The firm received the Information Technology Deal of the Year (\$100 million to \$1 billion) and Corporate/Strategic Deal of the Year (\$250 million to \$500 million) at the publication's 24th annual awards gala, held Nov. 18 in New York City.

The Troutman Pepper Locke team that advised Payroc included Brad Resweber, Mark Wilhelm, Peter Dragna, Monica Vu, Valentina Rivera, Samer Roshdy, James Schutz, Lauren Alvarez, Barbara Sicalides, Emily Schifter, Kristalyn Lee, Brent Hoard, Mike Crumbock, Joan Arnold, Thomas Gray, and Stefanie Brennan. The strategic acquisition strengthened Payroc's capacity to provide comprehensive payment solutions to a broader range of partners and merchants.

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