



**2011 M&A ADVISOR
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FINALIST**

CLEARY GULL

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**CLEARY GULL INC. ANNOUNCED AS FINALIST FOR THE
6th ANNUAL FINANCING AWARDS**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 25, 2011 — The M&A Advisor has announced the 2011 finalists for the 6th Annual Financing Awards. Cleary Gull Inc. was named a finalist in the Acquisition Financing Deal of the Year category for its representation of Weyco Group, Inc. in its acquisition of The Combs Company (“Bogs”), the owner of the BOGS and Rafters footwear brands.

The M&A Advisor Awards honor excellence in deal-making. This year, there are 130 finalists in 22 categories. An independent body of experts, who represent a cross-section of the middle market financing industry, will judge the finalists’ deals in the security of Merrill DataSite’s Virtual Data Room. The winners will be announced at the 6th Annual Financing Awards Gala on the evening of Monday, May 16 at The Drake Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

“It is an honor to recognize the achievements and accomplishments of Cleary Gull,” said Roger Aguinaldo, CEO, The M&A Advisor. “We are very impressed with the quality of the nominations for the 2011 Financing Awards and the range of leading and emerging firms who are finalist candidates. “Cleary Gull is honored to be nominated for this prestigious award,” said Ronald Miller, Managing Director, Cleary Gull.

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