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November 11, 2021



Socure Raises \$450 million in Series E Financing Led by Accel and T.Rowe Price at a \$4.5 billion Valuation

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## **Transaction Summary**

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- On November 9, 2021, Socure, a provider of digital identity verification and fraud solutions, announced it has raised \$450 million in an oversubscribed Series E round at a \$4.5 billion valuation
  - The financing was led by Accel and T. Rowe Price with participation from Bain Capital Ventures, Tiger Global, Commerce Ventures, Scale Venture Partners, and Sorenson Ventures
  - The round follows the Company's \$100 million Series D raise in March 2021 at a valuation of \$1.3 billion
- The Company plans on using the new capital to expand its investments in product innovation, penetrate new markets including the public sector, as well as continue to attract and retain its product, data science, and engineering teams
  - Additionally, the new funding will allow Socure to grow the scale of its customer consortium data and fullyautomated ID+ platform to not only prevent third party and synthetic fraud, but also tackle payment and first party fraud risk while enabling self-service analytics capabilities
- Socure serves more than 750 enterprise customers across the financial services, gaming, healthcare, telecom, and ecommerce industries
  - Several customers have also become investors in the Company including Citi Ventures, Wells Fargo Strategic Capital, Capital One Ventures, MVB Bank, Voyager, and Synchrony
  - Other large customers include Chime, SoFi, Varo Money, Public, Stash, and DraftKings
- Socure has experienced 500% year-over-year bookings growth for the last five quarters

### **Transaction Commentary**

"When you're a market leader, you move from attacking and replacing the incumbents repeatedly as you earn your seat at the table to truly being a strategic partner to many of the best companies in the world. With this additional capital, we will substantially increase our level of commercial velocity and intensity in solving complex customer and societal problems, while maintaining our Day 0 founder's mentality and continuing to attract the market's best product, data science, and engineering minds to join our already incredibly talented team. We will remain laser focused on our mission to verify 100% of good identities and eliminate fraud on the Internet while holding ourselves to the highest quality standards and cementing Socure as the top performing company in the industry."



Johnny Ayers Founder & CEO

"Every team building a digital product faces challenges validating users and security. Socure's API has quickly become foundational to these teams. The platform has been transformational for the identity market, and we're excited to further our support of Johnny Ayers and the team."

Accel

John Locke Partner

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### Socure Overview

### **Company Overview**



Founder & CEO:	Johnny Ayers
Headquarters:	New York, NY

Founded: 2012

- Socure provides a real-time predictive analytics platform that combines machine learning and artificial intelligence with digital, offline and social identity data to deliver accurate and robust KYC, identity verification and fraud risk prediction solutions
- The Company deploys its identity verification robot across email, phone, online/social, address, IP, physical documents and traditional offline proprietary predictors to help clients better assess identity risk and increase acceptance, reduce fraud losses, and optimize manual review / step up authentication

### **Selected Financing History**

Date	Size (\$ in mm)	Lead Investor
Nov. 2021	\$450	Accel; T.Rowe Price
Mar. 2021	100	Accel
Aug. 2020	35	Sorenson Ventures
Feb. 2019	30	Scale Venture Partners
Aug. 2017	14	Commerce Ventures
Dec. 2016	13	Flint Capital

### **Products & Services Overview**

# Detect identity fraud risk with the highest accuracy in the industry

Socure's Sigma Fraud models have a model accuracy at over 95%



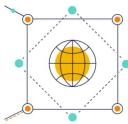


# Stop fictitious synthetic identities in their tracks

Eliminate synthetic ID fraud with Socure's powerful unsupervised machine learning and multi-class classification model



Deliver compliance with over 90% auto acceptance for KYC and lower false positives by 80%





### Accelerate risk-based document verification

Verify government issued ID documents with analytics-based document authentication and facial liveness check

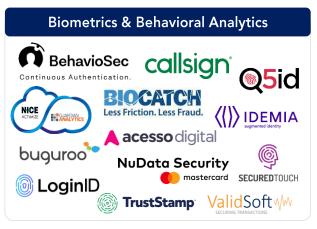




## Selected Fraud Management Landscape











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# Socure

## **Selected Digital Identity & Authentication Landscape**





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OneSpan
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**Digital Signature** 

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**DocuSign** 

ARIADNEXT eOriginal





### Selected FT Partners' Research (click to view)



AvidXchange's \$388 million Financing



Divvy's \$2.5 billion Sale to Bill.com



ContaAzul's \$30 million Series D Financing



Feedzai's Series D Financing



Gusto Raises \$175 million in Series E Financing Led by T. Rowe Price



ForgeRock Completes its IPO Raising \$275 million



Alloy Raises \$100 million in Series C Financing



**Riskified Completes its IPO** 

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## **Leading Advisor in the Fraud & Risk Sector**

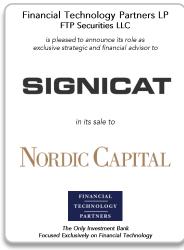
### Largest Authentication Network in the World



### **Digital Identity Verification**



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### Alternative Data Credit Scoring



### **Digital Identity Verification**



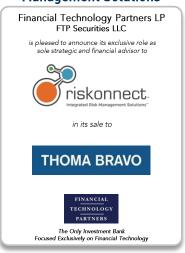
### AI-Powered Fraud Prevention Solutions



# Alternative Data Credit Reporting



# Integrated Risk Management Solutions



## FT Partners' Superior Industry Knowledge and Execution History





































## FT Partners Advises Feedzai on its Series D Financing

#### **Overview of Transaction**

- On March 24, 2021, Feedzai announced it has raised \$200 million of capital in its Series D financing at a valuation in excess of \$1 billion
- The investment was led by KRR with participation from existing investors Sapphire Ventures & Citi Ventures
- Founded in 2009 and headquartered in San Mateo, CA, Feedzai is the market leader in fighting financial crime with today's most advanced cloud-based risk management platform, power by machine learning and artificial intelligence
  - Feedzai has one mission: to make banking and commerce safe by combining fraud prevention and anti-money laundering under one platform to manage financial crime

### Significance of Transaction

 The new investment will be used to accelerate the company's global expansion, further develop its product offerings, and boost its partner strategy to strengthen its position as one of the most comprehensive financial crime prevention and risk management solutions in the market

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive financial and strategic advisor to Feedzai
- FT Partners previously advised Feedzai on its \$50 million Series C financing in 2017, and its \$17.5 million Series B financing in 2015
- This transaction highlights FT Partners' deep domain expertise in the Fraud Prevention and Risk Management sector, as well as its successful track record generating highly favorable outcomes for high-growth, unicorn FinTech companies globally

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on its Series D financing led by



for a total amount of

\$200,000,000

at a valuation of

>\$1,000,000,000



## FT Partners Advises Emailage on its Sale to RELX

### **Overview of Transaction**

- On February 3, 2020, RELX announced it has entered into an agreement to acquire Emailage Corp ("Emailage"), a global provider of fraud prevention and risk management solutions
  - Emailage will become a part of the Business Services group of LexisNexis Risk Solutions
- Founded in 2012 and based in the Phoenix metro area with offices across the globe, Emailage helps organizations reduce online fraud by building multidimensional profiles associated with customer email addresses to render predictive risk scores
- RELX (LSE:REL) is a global provider of information-based analytics and decision tools for professional and business customers, headquartered in London, United Kingdom with offices in about 40 countries

### **Significance of Transaction**

- Emailage expands RELX's digital identity intelligence and fraud prevention capabilities, providing customers around the world with a more comprehensive view into consumers for predictive risk assessment
- Emailage's long-standing contributory network database will enhance the LexisNexis® Digital Identity Network®, which analyses an average of 39.9 billion transactions annually to provide organizations with actionable insight into the world's rapidly changing threat landscape

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Emailage
- The transaction is one of the largest in the sector and underscores FT Partners' successful track record in generating highly favorable outcomes for Fraud & Risk Management companies worldwide

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## FT Partners Advises CardinalCommerce on its Strategic Sale to Visa

### **Overview of Transaction**

- On December 1, 2016, CardinalCommerce announced its strategic sale to Visa in one of the largest payments deals of the year
- Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, CardinalCommerce is a pioneer and global leader in enabling authenticated payment transactions in the cardnot-present payments industry and is the largest authentication network in the world
- Founded in 1999, CardinalCommerce's products are used globally: across 6 continents (Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America and South America), in more than 200 countries and used with more than 180 different currencies

### Significance of Transaction

- The acquisition will help accelerate the growth of Visa's digital commerce by enabling more secure, seamless payments, through browsers, mobile apps and connected devices
- As Visa plans to integrate tokenization into Visa Checkout over the next 18 months, the addition of CardinalCommerce will allow a more seamless integration of 3-D Secure and delivery of these new fraud mitigation capabilities to merchants

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to CardinalCommerce and its Board of Directors
- This transaction demonstrates FT Partners' continued leadership position as the "advisor of choice" to the highest quality FinTech companies

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for total consideration of approximately

\$300,000,000



## FT Partners Advises Signicat on its Sale to Nordic Capital

#### Overview of Transaction

- On April 11, 2019, Signicat announced its sale to Nordic Capital
  - Signicat was acquired from Secure Identity Holding<sup>1</sup> and other shareholders
  - Viking Venture, Signicat's other major shareholder, will re-invest all proceeds and continue as a minority owner, together with employee shareholders and with Nordic Capital as the majority owner
- Headquartered in Trondheim, Norway, Signicat is a SaaS verified digital identity hub, which enables its enterprise customers to seamlessly onboard and authenticate end-users as well as sign and store their documents
  - Signicat provides a single integration point providing customers access to the widest available pool of electronic IDs (eIDs), registry lookups, and ID document scanning solutions via a single interface
- Nordic Capital is a leading private equity firm based in Sweden with offices across
  the Nordics and Europe, which invests in large and middle-market companies
  globally with a primary focus in Northern Europe and the DACH region
- Viking Venture is a Norwegian venture capital firm that invests in growth companies in the technology sector
- This transaction is comprised of both primary and secondary capital from Nordic Capital, as well as reinvestment from Viking Venture and current management

### **Significance of Transaction**

- This transaction will enable Signicat to expand into new markets across Europe, North America and globally through hiring and establishing local offices, entering into partnerships with digital identity players, and by supporting existing customers to expand into new geographies
- This transaction will also support Signicat's development of its proprietary platform and widen its product capabilities

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Signicat
- This transaction underscores FT Partners' expertise in sell-side advisory across a broad range of SaaS-based companies in the fraud and identity management space

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# NORDIC CAPITAL



## FT Partners Advises DataX on its Sale to Equifax

#### **Overview of Transaction**

- DataX has been acquired by Equifax
- Headquartered in Las Vegas, NV, DataX is one of the fastest growing alternative data credit reporting agencies, offering premier financial management solutions to businesses through a suite of advanced products focused on mitigating risk and improving profitability
- Equifax (NYSE:EFX) uses unique data, analytics and technology to help organizations and individuals make more informed business decisions
- Through the acquisition, DataX and its employees are now part of the Equifax Banking and Lending division

### Significance of Transaction

- DataX's data assets complement the Equifax core credit database adding alternative credit and payment data, analytics and identity solutions on underbanked consumers to the installment loan, rent-toown and lease-to-own markets
- The acquisition of DataX also complements other unique Equifax data assets that help provide greater depth and reach to those seeking credit

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to DataX
- This transaction highlights FT Partners' versatility and expertise across the FinTech universe and exhibits its position as the "Advisor of Choice" to the highest quality FinTech Companies

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## FT Partners Advises IdentityMind on its Sale to Acuant

### **Overview of Transaction**

- On March 31, 2020, Acuant announced it has acquired IdentityMind, a global provider of trusted digital identities and risk management solutions
  - In 2019, IdentityMind announced a strategic partnership with Acuant
- Founded in 2013 and based in the Palo Alto, CA, IdentityMind is a SaaS
  platform for online risk management and compliance automation that helps
  companies to reduce client onboarding fraud, transaction fraud and improve
  AML, sanctions screening and KYC
  - By continuously building, validating and risk scoring digital identities through its eDNA™ technology, IdentityMind ensures global business safety and compliance from customer onboarding and throughout the customer lifecycle
- Acuant provides identity verification solutions, including government-issued identity document and chip authentication and biometric facial recognition, for businesses in all industries

### **Significance of Transaction**

- Expanding its reach across the digital identity lifecycle, Acuant will combine its award-winning Trusted Identity Platform for identity proofing and verification with IdentityMind's Digital Identity Platform for identity creation, risk scoring, transaction monitoring and regulatory compliance (KYC and AML)
- The combination results in an advanced orchestration hub that provides accurate risk decisioning, allowing businesses to move faster and deliver the best user experience across all channels

### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to IdentityMind
- The transaction underscores FT Partners' successful track record in the Fraud & Risk Management space

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## **Bloomberg**

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- o FT Partners' Steve McLaughlin was featured on Bloomberg / Bloomberg TV
- View the full article and watch the live TV interview



### **M&A Advisor Awards**

- Technology Deal of the Year (2019)
- Cross Border Deal of the Year and Corporate / Strategic Deal of the Year (2018)
- Investment Banker of the Year (2017) Steve McLaughlin, CEO & Managing Partner of FT Partners
- Investment Banking Firm of the Year (2016) FT Partners



### **LendIt FinTech Industry Awards 2018:**

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## The Information's "Silicon Valley's Most Popular Dealmakers"

- o Ranked as the #2 top Technology Investment Banker by The Information subscribers (2016)
- o Only FinTech focused investment banking firm and banker on the list

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