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Two Recent KippsDeSanto & Co. Clients Featured on Washington Technology's Top M&A Transactions of 2010

MCLEAN, VA – On February 15th, 2011, Washington Technology (<http://washingtontechnology.com/articles/2011/01/31/cover-manda-deals-of-the-year.aspx>) released their list of top merger and acquisition transactions of 2010 in the government sector. The nearly 100 transactions included in this year's roundup significantly outpaced levels witnessed in 2009 (77 transactions) and 2008 (88 transactions). A panel of industry experts ranked the best deals of 2010 in nine categories for Washington Technology, which included two recent KippsDeSanto & Co. clients.

Buccaneer Computer Systems was selected as the "Best deal by a midsize business" in 2010. KippsDeSanto & Co. represented Buccaneer in the company's September 2010 sale to Vangent Inc. Nick Wakeman, editor of Washington Technology, writes "Buccaneer was probably the largest health care business on the market in 2010. The acquisition positions Vangent to pursue more of the health care business that is expected to come to the market in the near future."

Novii Design LLC was selected as the "Best deal by a small business" in 2010. KippsDeSanto & Co. represented Novii Design in the Company's September 2010 sale to Six3 Systems. Washington Technology recognized Six3 Systems' acquisition of Novii Design as a small deal, but an important one due to the fact that "...Novii became the centerpiece of the company's cyber business, which is how it is positioning itself in the market."

"Cyber security and healthcare IT, given the context of Big Data, are two of the hottest segments of the technology market" commented Kevin P. DeSanto, Managing Director of KippsDeSanto & Co. "We are honored that all of the hard work and effort of our respective clients is recognized, especially in a year where the competition and volume was as strong as it was in 2010."

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