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## **GAI Consultants acquires Creighton Manning**

Natick, MA – Comvest Partners ("Comvest"), a middle-market private investment firm, is pleased to announce that an affiliate of GAI Consultants, Inc. ("GAI") has acquired Creighton Manning Engineering, LLP ("Creighton Manning" or the "Company"), of Albany, New York. GAI, a preeminent engineering, planning and environmental consulting firm with locations throughout the United States, is a platform investment in Comvest's private equity portfolio. With the transaction, Creighton Manning becomes a division of GAI called Creighton Manning, a GAI Company.

Founded in 1965, Creighton Manning is an engineering firm focused on the transportation and transit markets. The Company is a leading provider of multidiscipline engineering, planning, and land surveying services to public sector and corporate clients focused on New York state.

"U.S. infrastructure is in need of increasing levels of technical expertise and investment in its repair, maintenance, improvement and expansion. Comvest remains committed to supporting GAI's ambition to be a leading national provider of engineering and consulting services, particularly for the transportation and power and energy infrastructure markets," said Kevin LaHatte, a Partner of Comvest. "Creighton Manning has built a premier reputation through its history of engineering excellence in the transportation market and provides GAI complementary engineering services and expanded geographic reach."

"Creighton Manning brings a deep leadership team and a wealth of expertise to GAI," said GAI Chairman and CEO Gary DeJidas. "Our complementary service offerings and a shared vision to provide exceptional service, top-quality technical solutions, and a people-first culture that benefits clients and staff make the combination of Creighton Manning and GAI an excellent fit. The company brings a portfolio of high-quality clients, and we are pleased to welcome the entire Creighton Manning team."

Creighton Manning's leadership will continue to lead the new division and are now owners in GAI.





For more details about this transaction click here.

Morrissey Goodale, a specialized management consulting and research firm exclusively serving the architecture, engineering, and environmental consulting industries, initiated the transaction and advised GAI.

## **About Morrissey Goodale:**

Morrissey Goodale has helped hundreds of clients transform and grow their architecture, engineering, and environmental consulting companies into high-level performers through strategic business planning, mergers and acquisition advisory, valuation and ownership transition, market research, marketing and business development, leadership training and development, Lean Operation Strategies, organizational development and management, virtual reality solutions, and executive search. Morrissey Goodale's team of M&A consultants assist throughout the M&A process, from preparing firms for a transaction to a successful integration.

Morrissey Goodale's extensive network of relationships with AE industry decision-makers around the globe uniquely qualifies the firm to identify the right buyers or sellers and guide AE firms through the complex merger or acquisition process, from conception to close.

