

PERSPECTIVES

# COVID-19

## **USING EXPERTISE IN MERGER & ACQUISITION TRANSACTION DISPUTES TO ADDRESS CHANGING BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

Stemming from the economic disruption caused by the public health response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are seeing an uptick in the volume of disputes from transactions and terminated transactions. Though a common issue, there is a high level of diversity in these matters. In fact, some situations have experienced compounding problems, such as an international oil price war.

At the same time, expert work has transitioned to virtual execution, resolution of disputes outside of courtroom trials has increased through use of alternative dispute resolution such as mediation and arbitration, and an increase in the use of expert services for settlement negotiations is evident.

Our team of experienced professionals is ready to respond to these dynamic circumstances. As you grapple with the landscape, consider the use of our commercial disputes experts to help you with:

### **Changing Business and M&A Market Outlooks**

Provide real-time current assessments of valuation, damages, accounting calculations, and other transaction-related disputes.

### **Lost Profits Damages Quantifications for CARES Act or Business Interruption Claims**

Provide quantification of damages and draw upon industry-specific expertise such as healthcare provider industry expertise.

### **Mediation Advisory and Settlement Purposes Consulting Services**

In addition to expert services for court or arbitration purposes, we also offer mediation and settlement consulting services.

### **Neutral Arbitration Services**

Provide independent neutral arbitrator services in valuation, damages, accounting calculations, and transaction disputes.

### **Virtual Delivery of Services**

Provide virtual alternatives to any planned in-person testimony, court appearances, meetings, interviews, or events involving clients to reduce face-to-face contact. Our firm was built to be a mobile workforce with the capability to deliver services virtually when needed.

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## **ABOUT US**

Ankura is a business advisory firm defined by HOW we solve challenges. Whether a client is facing an immediate business challenge, trying to increase the value of their company or protect against future risks, Ankura designs, develops, and executes tailored solutions by assembling the right combination of expertise. We build on this experience with every case, client, and situation, collaborating to create innovative, customized solutions, and strategies designed for today's ever-changing business environment. At Ankura, we know that **collaboration drives results**.