

## Blue Wolf Capital Named in Inc.'s 2021 List of Founder-Friendly Investors

**NEW YORK, October 5, 2021** – Blue Wolf Capital Partners LLC (“Blue Wolf”), a New York-based private equity firm, today announced it was named to *Inc.*'s third annual Founder-Friendly Investors list, honoring the private equity and venture capital firms with the best track record of success backing entrepreneurs.

“Entrepreneurship is at the heart of Blue Wolf and we are proud to partner with innovative leaders to transform their businesses, bring key stakeholders together and generate value,” Adam Blumenthal, Managing Partner of Blue Wolf. “We are honored to be recognized and believe it is a reflection of our outstanding team and their ability to work collaboratively with founders and management teams across our portfolio companies.”

“Supporting an entrepreneur’s vision and driving growth is more than just a financial investment. It’s about building a relationship and supporting the founders beyond that initial year. These private equity firms treat the founders like partners,” says Scott Omelianuk, editor-in-chief of *Inc.* media.

Since Blue Wolf’s founding 15 years ago, it has established a distinctive catalyst-driven approach to building stronger businesses, focused on combining financial and operational discipline with environmental, social, and governance principles. Working hand-in-hand with management teams, Blue Wolf takes a collaborative investment approach that is both value-generating and values-driven, which has translated to its proven track record of transforming businesses to create sustainable value for stakeholders and investors.

Blue Wolf demonstrated its ability to drive value for founder-owned businesses with the formation and ultimate successful sale of the Mulch and Soil Company earlier this year. Blue Wolf formed the Mulch and Soil Company in 2018 through a merger of Forestry Resources and later K&B Landscapes – two founder-owned businesses based on Florida – with the mulch division from Suwannee Lumber Company. Under Blue Wolf’s leadership prior to the sale, the Mulch and Soil Company became one of the Southeast region’s leading manufacturers of premium mulch and soil products.

According to *Inc.*, the final Founder-Friendly Investors list recognizes firms that entrepreneurs can trust and collaborate with while receiving the financial support they need to help accelerate growth. The firms selected have a successful track record of remaining actively involved in the businesses after their investment.

To compile the list, *Inc.* went straight to the source: entrepreneurs who have sold to private equity. Founders filled out a questionnaire about their experiences partnering with private equity firms and shared data on how their portfolio companies have grown during these partnerships.

To see the complete list, go to: <https://www.inc.com/founder-friendly-investors/2021>. The October 2021 issue of *Inc.* magazine is available online now at <https://www.inc.com/magazine> and will be on newsstands beginning October 5, 2021.

### About Blue Wolf Capital Partners

Blue Wolf Capital Partners LLC is a private equity firm that specializes in control investments in middle market companies. Leading by experience, and with a commitment to excellence, Blue Wolf transforms companies strategically, operationally and collaboratively. Blue Wolf manages challenging situations and

complex relationships between business, customers, employees, unions, and regulators to build value for stakeholders. For additional information, please visit [www.bluewolfcapital.com](http://www.bluewolfcapital.com).

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The Founder-Friendly Investors list of 2021 recognition presented herein is awarded by Inc., a third-party that is not affiliated with Blue Wolf, requested nominees provide them with a certain number of entrepreneur references, and Inc. independently assessed the nominees based on responses to a questionnaire by such entrepreneur references. The number of nominees reviewed for this recognition was not disclosed to Blue Wolf, and therefore, it and the percentage of nominees receiving the recognition, cannot be disclosed herein. Inc.'s recognition is not indicative of Blue Wolf's future performance and does not reflect the experience of, or any rating by, Blue Wolf's investors. Blue Wolf paid an application fee to participate in this process. For more information regarding this recognition, please see the linked publication.

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