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Wiley Rein Serves as Regulatory Counsel to Nexstar in Successful Completion of \$7.2 Billion Tribune Media Acquisition

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Washington, DC – On September 19, Wiley Rein client Nexstar Media Group announced the successful completion of its \$7.2 billion acquisition of Tribune Media Company. Wiley Rein served as regulatory counsel to Nexstar in this complex transaction, helping secure approval from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) – which allowed the companies to close the deal.

On September 16, the FCC granted Nexstar's applications to merge with Tribune Media, including the divestiture of 19 stations in 15 markets to ensure compliance with FCC local and national television ownership rules. The merger creates the nation's largest local television broadcaster.

Richard J. Bodorff, partner in Wiley Rein's Telecom, Media & Technology (TMT) Practice – led the Wiley Rein team representing Nexstar in the transaction – along with TMT co-chair Kathleen A. Kirby, partners Eve Klindera Reed, Gregory L. Masters, and Ari Meltzer, and associate Kathleen E. Scott. Special counsel Kathryne C. Dickerson, senior public policy advisor Scott Weaver and partner Gregg L. Elias also provided support.

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More details on the transaction can be found here.

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