An Investment Bank Focused Exclusively on Advising Clients

Q1 2021 Results

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### Why Invest in Greenhill?

- Well known and respected brand for advice
- Strong culture of teamwork and excellence
- Increasingly diversified revenue sources
- Global capabilities
- Loyal and growing client base
- Minimal regulatory risks
- Minimal capital needs
- History of high profit margins and strong cash flow generation
- Focused on growth of talent, revenue, profit and cash flow
- Employees aligned with shareholders (own ~50% of equity value) \*

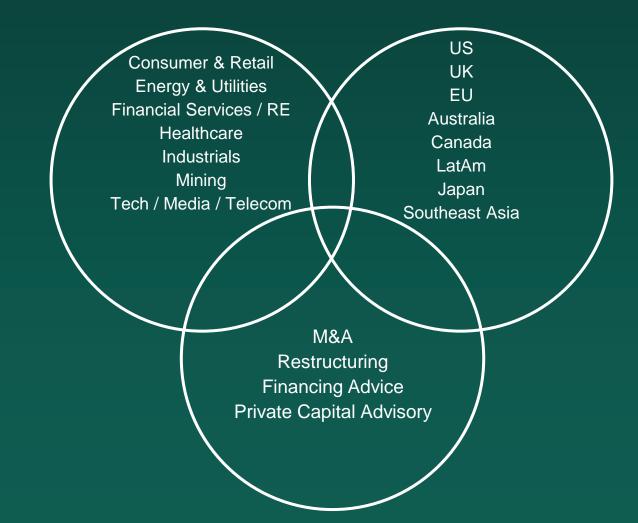
### Greenhill How Greenhill Differs from Independent Advisor Peers

- Older, more established brand than most
- Earlier international presence than most
- Longest public company track record
- Smaller / more room to grow
- Value creation potential via deleveraging
- Greater employee ownership than any peer
- Highly collegial, "One Firm" culture
- Currently valued at meaningful discount to peers

### **Scope of the Firm**

- 25 years old (17 as a public company)
- Pure financial advisory business
  - Fully aligned with clients
  - Focused on high value added / high fee services
- Global business, focused on developed markets
- 70\* Managing Directors
  - Large core of 10+ year veterans
  - Healthy mix of recruited and homegrown talent

### **Diversified Sources of Revenue**



### Long History of Maintaining Repeat Clients



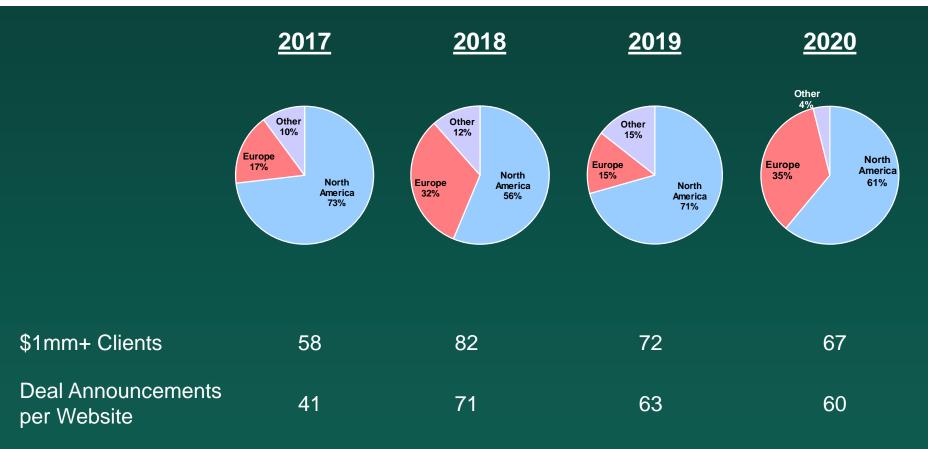
Note: Selected transaction clients for which we have advised on multiple announced transactions 2016-now

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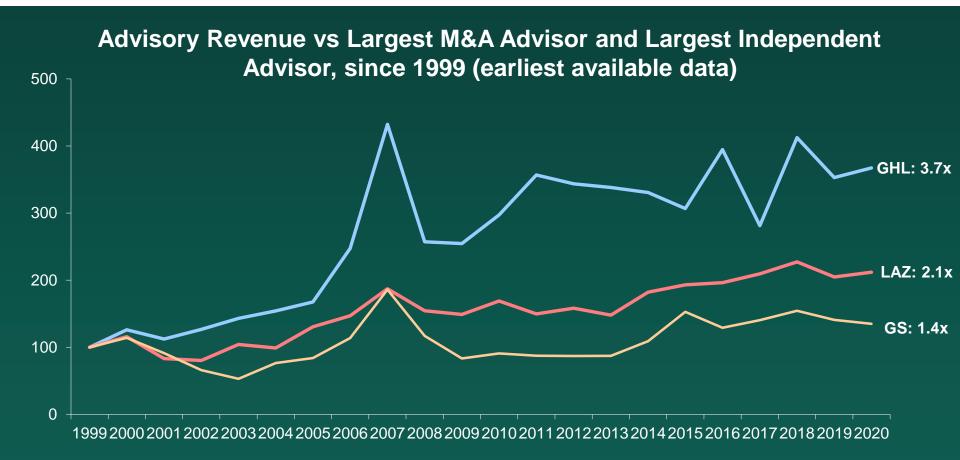
### **Continually Adding New Clients as Well**



### Strong History of Regional Revenue Diversity



### Long History of Market Share Gains Despite Year to Year Variability



### Update on Impact of Covid 19 on Operations

- No team health issues impacting Firm capabilities
- Team working effectively from home or, increasingly, our offices
- Quality of work for clients consistent with past practice
- Continuing to execute and complete assignments, win new assignments and maintain client dialogues

### **Q1** Financial Results

- Revenue \$69mm, up 3% vs last year
- Compensation ratio 69%, above annual target
  - Remain focused on target for full year
- Non-compensation costs lower, in target range
- EPS 9 cents, vs loss last year

### **Expense Outlook Going Forward**

Compensation Expense:

Non-compensation Operating Expenses:

**Operating Margin** 

Interest Expense:

Taxes:

Percentage of revenue, targeted at 55-60% on annual basis

Largely fixed \$ amount, targeted at \$55-60mm annually

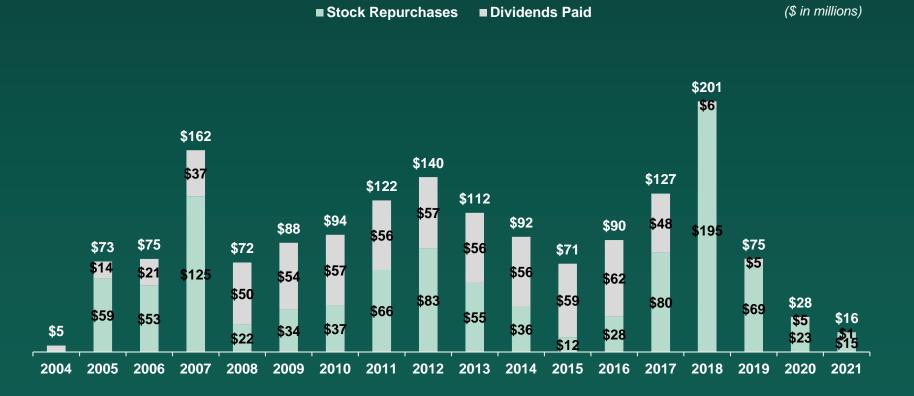
*Targeting 25% of revenue on annual basis* 

Currently ~3.4% rate, with expense declining as debt is repaid

Expected rate in mid 20%s in normal operating environments

### Greenhill Strong History of Generating/Returning Capital

#### ■ \$1.6 billion\* in dividends / share repurchases since 2004 IPO



\*As of March 31, 2021. Includes purchases of share equivalents via tax withholding on vesting RSUs.

### Greenhill Balance Sheet with Strong Liquidity and Declining Debt

- Cash of \$88mm at quarter end
- Debt of \$327mm (net debt of \$239mm) at quarter end
  - Repaid additional \$20mm debt post quarter end
- Quarterly interest expense \$3.2mm pre-tax
- Very modest debt repayment obligations until 2024 maturity
- Objective to reduce leverage via both debt repayment and growth in EBITDA

### Update on Recapitalization / Repurchase Plan (Announced Sept. 2017)

- Dividend reduced to fund large share repurchase and increase employee ownership
- Borrowed \$350mm on attractive terms
  - Increased to \$375mm at reduced cost in 2019 refinancing
- \$20mm combined equity investment by Chairman & CEO
  - Plus \$16mm in open market repurchases
- Additional equity incentive grants to key people
  - 5 year cliff vest
- Announced major share repurchase plan, later upsized
  - In aggregate, repurchased \$321mm\* in open market purchases and tender offers
  - For 2021\*\*, Board authorized \$50mm in purchases of shares/share equivalents (\$35.5mm remaining)

### Why Did We Do Our Recapitalization?

- Management viewed stock as significantly undervalued
- Equity investor sentiment too negative
- Could borrow at very attractive cost
- Created catalyst to pivot to next chapter in Firm history
  - Increased employee ownership
  - High grade and expand team
  - Tighter cost controls

Created leveraged upside potential for employees and shareholders

### **Strategic Plan Going Forward**

- Maintain historic client-focused business model and strong culture
- Increase scale and productivity of team
  - Good YTD progress on robust recruiting plan
- Substantially increase scale and diversity of revenue sources
  - Historically strong global M&A franchise
  - Substantially enlarged Restructuring business
  - Increasing breadth of financing advisory roles
  - Private Capital Advisory for institutional investors / fund sponsors
  - Enhanced focus on financial sponsor clients for all services
- Maintain expense discipline
- Focus primarily on deleveraging, with prudent ongoing share repurchases

## Goal is maximizing the leveraged upside potential for the benefit of our shareholders and team