UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017

OR

□ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

Commission file number 001-14875

FTI CONSULTING, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

to

1101 K Street NW, Washington, D.C. (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 52-1261113 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 20005 (Zip Code)

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(202) 312-9100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web Site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (\$232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer \Box (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class	Outstanding at October 19, 2017
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	37,956,648

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PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FTI Consulting, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands, except per share data)

Item 1. Financial Statements

	 September 30, 2017	December 31, 2016			
Assets	 (Unaudited)		2010		
Current assets	(Unaudited)				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 157,961	\$	216,158		
Accounts receivable:					
Billed receivables	415,090		365,385		
Unbilled receivables	328,526		288,331		
Allowance for doubtful accounts and unbilled services	(196,484)		(178,819)		
Accounts receivable, net	 547,132		474,897		
Current portion of notes receivable	23,924		31,864		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	59,196		60,252		
Total current assets	 788,213		783,171		
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	70,982		61,856		
Goodwill	1,204,164		1,180,001		
Other intangible assets, net of amortization	46,788		52,120		
Notes receivable, net of current portion	106,462		104,524		
Other assets	43,984		43,696		
Total assets	\$ 2,260,593	\$	2,225,368		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other	\$ 108,054	\$	87,320		
Accrued compensation	232,291		261,500		
Billings in excess of services provided	26,521		29,635		
Total current liabilities	 366,866		378,455		
Long-term debt, net	461,095		365,528		
Deferred income taxes	181,293		173,799		
Other liabilities	120,410		100,228		
Total liabilities	 1,129,664		1,018,010		
Stockholders' equity					
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; shares authorized — 5,000; none					
outstanding	—		—		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; shares authorized — 75,000;					
shares issued and outstanding — 37,941 (2017) and 42,037 (2016)	379		420		
Additional paid-in capital	273,765		416,816		
Retained earnings	978,886		941,001		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	 (122,101)		(150,879)		
Total stockholders' equity	 1,130,929		1,207,358		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,260,593	\$	2,225,368		

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,					ded September 30,		
	-	2017		2016	-	2017	-	2016
Revenues	\$	448,962	\$	438,042	\$	1,340,021	\$	1,368,474
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		294,851		293,702		907,994		902,532
Selling, general and administrative expenses		103,909		106,220		318,546		318,074
Special charges						30,074		6,811
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		252		201		1,424		1,541
Amortization of other intangible assets		2,882		2,845		7,797		8,041
	_	401,894		402,968		1,265,835		1,236,999
Operating income		47,068		35,074		74,186		131,475
Other income (expense)								
Interest income and other		1,103		3,213		3,300		9,895
Interest expense		(6,760)		(6,304)		(18,811)		(18,836)
		(5,657)		(3,091)		(15,511)		(8,941)
Income before income tax provision		41,411		31,983		58,675		122,534
Income tax provision		9,197		10,292		17,601		44,115
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419
Earnings per common share — basic	\$	0.86	\$	0.53	\$	1.05	\$	1.92
Earnings per common share — diluted	\$	0.85	\$	0.52	\$	1.03	\$	1.88
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax								
Foreign currency translation adjustments,								
net of tax expense of \$0	\$	11,234	\$	(4,478)	\$	28,778	\$	(23,645)
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax		11,234		(4,478)		28,778		(23,645)
Comprehensive income	\$	43,448	\$	17,213	\$	69,852	\$	54,774

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity

(in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Commo	n Sto	ock	dditional Paid-in	I	Retained		ccumulated Other mprehensive	
	Shares		Amount	 Capital]	Earnings		Loss	 Total
Balance at December 31, 2016	42,037	\$	420	\$ 416,816	\$	941,001	\$	(150,879)	\$ 1,207,358
Net income		\$		\$ 	\$	41,074	\$	_	\$ 41,074
Other comprehensive income:									
Cumulative translation adjustment	_		_	_		_		28,778	28,778
Issuance of common stock in connection with:									
Exercise of options	57		1	1,989		—		_	1,990
Restricted share grants, less net settled shares									
of 87	213		2	(4,234)		—		—	(4,232)
Stock units issued under incentive compensation									
plan	_		—	1,547		—			1,547
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(4,366)		(44)	(155,241)		—		—	(155,285)
Cumulative effect due to adoption of new accounting									
standard	_		_	_		(3,189)		—	(3,189)
Share-based compensation			_	 12,888		_			 12,888
Balance at September 30, 2017	37,941	\$	379	\$ 273,765	\$	978,886	\$	(122,101)	\$ 1,130,929

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)

(Unaudited)

perating activities	<u>Nine Months Ended September 30,</u> 2017 2016							
Net income	\$	41,074	\$	78,419				
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating	•		+	, ,, ,				
activities:								
Depreciation and amortization		23,768		25,359				
Amortization and impairment of other intangible assets		7,797		8,041				
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		1,547		1,541				
Provision for doubtful accounts		10,510		5,903				
Non-cash share-based compensation		12,888		13,381				
Non-cash interest expense		1,489		1,489				
Other		297		(1,159				
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions:								
Accounts receivable, billed and unbilled		(72,640)		(67,318				
Notes receivable		8,449		(3,674				
Prepaid expenses and other assets		935		(3,575				
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other		16,823		10,900				
Income taxes		8,876		28,204				
Accrued compensation		(34,123)		4,486				
Billings in excess of services provided		(3,657)		9,578				
Net cash provided by operating activities		24,033		111,575				
ivesting activities								
Payments for acquisition of businesses, net of cash received		(8,929)		(56				
Purchases of property and equipment		(20,021)		(22,855				
Other		74		74				
Net cash used in investing activities		(28,876)		(22,837				
inancing activities		· · · · ·						
Borrowings under revolving line of credit, net		95,000		(25,000				
Deposits		3,585		2,806				
Purchase and retirement of common stock		(155,285)		(2,903				
Net issuance of common stock under equity compensation plans		(2,354)		18,394				
Other		(79)		357				
Net cash used in financing activities		(59,133)		(6,346				
ffect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		5,779		(6,968				
et increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(58,197)		75,424				
ash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		216,158		149,760				
ash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	157,961	\$	225,184				
upplemental cash flow disclosures	÷	10,,001	÷	,10				
Cash paid for interest	\$	12,424	\$	12,590				
Cash paid for income taxes, net of refunds	\$ \$	8,742	ծ \$	12,390				
Non-cash investing and financing activities:	ŷ	0,742	φ	15,905				
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See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

(dollar and share amounts in tables in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of FTI Consulting, Inc., including its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company," "we," "our," or "FTI Consulting"), presented herein, have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") and under the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for interim financial information. Some of the information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements have been condensed or omitted pursuant to those rules and regulations. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. In management's opinion, the interim financial statements reflect all adjustments that are necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. All adjustments made were normal recurring accruals. Results of operations for the interim periods presented herein are not necessarily indicative of results of operations for a full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC.

2. Earnings Per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per common share adjusts basic earnings per common share for the effects of potentially dilutive common shares. Potentially dilutive common shares include the dilutive effects of shares issuable under our equity compensation plans, including stock options and restricted shares, each using the treasury stock method.

	Thre	Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 2016			Nin	e Months End 2017	led Se	<u>ptember 30,</u> 2016
Numerator — basic and diluted	_			2010		2017		
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419
Denominator								
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding — basic		37,431		41,239		39,301		40,856
Effect of dilutive stock options		31		350		96		266
Effect of dilutive restricted shares		284		476		318		483
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding — diluted		37,746		42,065		39,715		41,605
Earnings per common share — basic	\$	0.86	\$	0.53	\$	1.05	\$	1.92
Earnings per common share — diluted	\$	0.85	\$	0.52	\$	1.03	\$	1.88
Antidilutive stock options and restricted shares	_	2,328		753		1,755		1,595

3. New Accounting Standards

Adopted Accounting Standards

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-09, *Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*. This standard makes several modifications to Topic 718, including the accounting for forfeitures, employer tax withholding on share-based compensation and income tax consequences, and clarifies the statement of cash flows presentation for certain components of share-based awards, all of which are intended to simplify various aspects of the accounting for share-based compensation. We adopted this standard as of January 1, 2017, and since then we have recorded the excess benefits realized from stock compensation transactions in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income. Additionally, we elected to recognize forfeiture expense as forfeitures occur, rather than estimating forfeitures based on historical data.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-16, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*, which removes the prohibition against immediate recognition of current and deferred income tax effects on intra-entity transfers of assets other than inventory. We elected to early adopt this standard as of January 1, 2017, and recorded a \$3.2 million



cumulative effect adjustment to the beginning balance of retained earnings on January 1, 2017 which resulted in a net impact of increasing deferred tax assets by \$2.6 million and decreasing a deferred tax charge in other assets by \$5.8 million related to a prior period intra-entity transfer of intellectual property.

Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04: *Intangibles – Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment.* This standard requires entities to measure goodwill impairment using the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the reporting unit, instead of performing a hypothetical purchase price allocation. This guidance is effective beginning January 1, 2020, although early adoption is permitted. The adoption of this guidance would only impact the measurement of a future goodwill impairment to the extent applicable.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, which supersedes existing lease guidance. Under this ASU, we will be required to record right-of-use assets and corresponding lease liabilities on the balance sheet. This guidance is effective beginning January 1, 2019. The new standard is required to be applied with a modified retrospective approach to each prior reporting period presented. We have not yet determined the impact that the adoption of this guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*. Under this ASU and subsequently issued amendments, revenues are recognized at the time when goods or services are transferred to a customer in an amount that reflects the consideration it expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Companies may use either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach to adopt this ASU. We will adopt this standard using the modified retrospective method effective January 1, 2018. Substantially all of the Company's engagements are performed either under time-and-expense or fixed-fee contract arrangements. The Company will use the right-to-invoice practical expedient to account for time-and-expense contract arrangements when the Company has a right to consideration from a customer in an amount that corresponds directly with the value of the entity's performance completed to date, which is consistent with the Company's current revenue recognition policy.

We believe that the adoption of this standard will primarily impact contracts that contain some form of variable consideration, where the Company will earn revenues if certain predefined outcomes occur in the future and which will be subject to probability assessments as defined by the new standard.

Contracts with success fees – The Company may recognize revenue under certain contract arrangements that contain success fees earlier upon the adoption of this standard than we do under current practice, when the related performance obligations are satisfied over time. The Company will estimate revenue using either the expected value method or the most likely amount method, as appropriate, and in an amount that is probable not to result in a significant reversal of cumulative revenue recognized.

Fixed-fee contract arrangements – The Company will recognize revenue as individual performance obligations are satisfied, using a measure of progress that is based on the efforts and costs incurred (i.e. an input method measure of progress). This may lead to a difference from current practice when applying the definition of a performance obligation under the new standard.

Other contract attributes – We believe this standard could affect the timing of revenue recognition for contracts that provide volume-based discounts, time-and-expense contract arrangements that have a cap on total fees, and contract arrangement fees that are subject to third-party approval, among others.

We continue to evaluate the potential impacts of the new guidance on the measurement and presentation of our revenues, as well as required enhancements to disclosures. The Company is underway in its implementation plan which includes information system and process changes to identify and assess contracts which are impacted by the new revenue recognition criteria and accumulate data to satisfy new disclosure requirements. We are unable to provide an assessment of the financial impact which will be recognized upon adoption as our assessment is dependent on an analysis of individual contracts which exist at the date of adoption.

4. Special Charges

There were no special charges recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2017.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we recorded a special charge of \$30.1 million. The charge includes the impact of certain targeted reductions in areas of each segment where we needed to re-align our workforce with current business demand. In addition, cost cutting actions were taken in certain corporate departments where we were able to streamline support activities and reduce our real estate costs. \$37.6 million of the charge will be paid in cash. The total charge is net of a \$7.5 million

non-cash reduction to expense primarily for the reversal of a deferred rent liability. The special charge includes the following components:

- \$16.1 million of employee severance and other employee related costs associated with the reduction in workforce of 201 employees in our segments and certain corporate departments. All of these amounts will be paid in cash;
- \$12.4 million of exit costs associated with the curtailment of our lease on our executive office in Washington, D.C. \$20.5 million of the charge will be paid in cash. The exit costs include an \$8.1 million non-cash reduction to expense primarily for the reversal of a deferred rent liability; and
- \$1.6 million of other expenses, including costs related to disposing or closing several small international offices, of which \$0.6 million was a non-cash expense.

There were no special charges recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2016.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, we recorded special charges of \$6.8 million related to employee terminations in the health solutions practice of our Forensic and Litigation Consulting segment and employee terminations in our Technology segment.

The following table details the special charges by segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016:

	1	ded Septen	nber 30	
Special Charges by Segment		2017		2016
Corporate Finance & Restructuring	\$	3,049	\$	
Forensic and Litigation Consulting		10,445		1,750
Economic Consulting		5,910		
Technology		3,827		5,061
Strategic Communications		3,599		
		26,830		6,811
Unallocated Corporate		3,244		
Total	\$	30,074	\$	6,811

Activity related to the liability for the special charges for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 is as follows:

	mployee rmination Costs	Lease Termination Costs	Other Costs	Total
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 8,225	\$ 3,335	\$ _	\$ 11,560
Additions	 15,980	 19,985	570	 36,535
Reductions	(15,947)	(2,941)	(526)	(19,414)
Foreign currency translation adjustment and other	153	 (19)	 6	 140
Balance at September 30, 2017(1)	\$ 8,411	\$ 20,360	\$ 50	\$ 28,821

(1) Of the \$28.8 million remaining liability for the special charges, \$5.2 million is expected to be paid in the remainder of 2017, \$10.5 million is expected to be paid in 2018, \$4.8 million is expected to be paid in 2019, \$4.0 million is expected to be paid in 2020 and the remaining balance of \$4.3 million is expected to be paid from 2021 to 2025.

5. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts and Unbilled Services

We record adjustments to the allowance for doubtful accounts and unbilled services as a reduction in revenues when there are changes in estimates of fee reductions that may be imposed by bankruptcy courts and other regulatory institutions for both billed and unbilled receivables. The allowance for doubtful accounts and unbilled services is also adjusted after the related work has been billed to the client and we discover that collectability is not reasonably assured. These adjustments are recorded to "Selling, general and administrative expenses" on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income and totaled \$4.5 million and \$10.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, and \$1.6 million and \$5.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, respectively.

6. Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs related to software development totaled \$3.3 million and \$11.8 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, and \$4.5 million and \$13.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 respectively. Research and development costs are included in "Selling, general and administrative expenses" on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

7. Financial Instruments

We consider the recorded value of certain financial assets and liabilities, which consist primarily of cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable, to approximate the fair value of the respective assets and liabilities at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, based on the short-term nature of the assets and liabilities. The fair value of our total debt at September 30, 2017 was \$475.1 million compared to a carrying value of \$465.0 million. At December 31, 2016, the fair value of our total debt was \$382.8 million compared to a carrying value of \$370.0 million. We determine the fair value of our long-term debt primarily based on quoted market prices for our 6% Senior Notes Due 2022 ("2022 Notes"). The fair value of our borrowings on our \$550.0 million senior secured bank revolving credit facility ("Senior Bank Credit Facility") approximates the carrying amount. The fair value of our long-term debt is classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, because it is traded in less active markets.

8. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill

The table below summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by reportable segment:

Balance at December 31, 2016	Corporate Finance & <u>Restructuring</u>	Forensic and Litigation Consulting	Economic Consulting	Technology	Strategic <u>Communications</u>	Total
Goodwill	\$ 440,666	\$ 230,544	\$ 268,209	\$ 117,607	\$ 317,114	\$ 1,374,140
Accumulated goodwill impairment					(194,139)	(194,139)
Goodwill, net at December 31, 2016	440,666	230,544	268,209	117,607	122,975	1,180,001
Acquisitions	11,900					11,900
Foreign currency translation adjustment and other	2,292	2,967	712	122	6,170	12,263
Balance at September 30, 2017						
Goodwill	454,858	233,511	268,921	117,729	323,284	1,398,303
Accumulated goodwill impairment					(194,139)	(194,139)
Goodwill, net at September 30, 2017	\$ 454,858	\$ 233,511	\$ 268,921	\$ 117,729	\$ 129,145	\$ 1,204,164

During the three months ended September 30, 2017, we made an initial payment of \$8.9 million at closing to acquire a restructuring business within our Corporate Finance & Restructuring segment. We recorded \$11.9 million in goodwill as a result of the acquisition. We have included the results of the acquired business' operations in the Corporate Finance & Restructuring segment since its acquisition date.

Other Intangible Assets

Other intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives. We recorded amortization expense of \$2.9 million and \$7.8 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, and \$2.8 million and \$8.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, respectively.

We estimate our future amortization expense for our intangible assets with finite lives to be as follows:

Year	September , 2017(1)
2017 (remaining)	\$ 2,771
2018	8,223
2019	7,561
2020	7,387
2021	6,773
Thereafter	8,473
	\$ 41,188

(1) Actual amortization expense to be reported in future periods could differ from these estimates as a result of new intangible asset acquisitions, changes in useful lives or other relevant factors or changes.

9. Long-Term Debt

The components of long-term debt obligations are presented in the table below:

	Sept	tember 30, 2017	De	ecember 31, 2016
2022 Notes	\$	300,000	\$	300,000
Senior Bank Credit Facility		165,000		70,000
Total debt		465,000		370,000
Less: deferred debt issue costs		(3,905)		(4,472)
Long-term debt, net	\$	461,095	\$	365,528

The Company has classified the borrowings under the Company's Senior Bank Credit Facility as long-term debt in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as amounts due under the credit agreement entered into as of June 26, 2015, which expires on June 26, 2020, are not contractually required or expected to be liquidated for more than one year from the applicable balance sheet date. Additionally, \$0.7 million of the borrowing limit was utilized for letters of credit as of September 30, 2017.

10. Commitments and Contingencies

We are subject to legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In management's opinion, we believe we have adequate legal defenses and/or insurance coverage with respect to the eventuality of such actions. We do not believe any settlement or judgment relating to any pending legal action would materially affect our financial position or results of operations.

11. Share-Based Compensation

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we granted 248,509 restricted stock awards, stock options exercisable for up to 130,650 shares, 53,175 restricted stock units and 100,052 performance-based restricted stock units. These awards are recorded as equity on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, stock options exercisable for up to 96,802 shares and 24,920 shares of restricted stock awards were forfeited prior to the completion of the vesting requirements.

Total share-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures, for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 is detailed in the following table:

	Thre	e Months En	ded S	eptember 30,	ne Months End	nded September 3			
Income Statement Classification		2017 2016			2017		2016		
Direct cost of revenues	\$	1,350	\$	2,243	\$	8,371	\$	8,370	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		1,781		2,617		3,833		7,825	
Special charges		_				96		105	
Total share-based compensation expense	\$	3,131	\$	4,860	\$	12,300	\$	16,300	

12. Stockholders' Equity

On June 2, 2016, our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program of up to \$100.0 million (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). On May 18, 2017, our Board of Directors authorized an additional \$100.0 million increasing the Stock Repurchase Program to an aggregate authorization of \$200.0 million. No time limit has been established for the completion of the program, and the program may be suspended, discontinued or replaced by the Board of Directors at any time without prior notice. As of September 30, 2017, we have \$26.1 million available under this program to repurchase additional shares.

The following table details our stock repurchases:

	Th	ee Months Ende	ed September 30,	N	ine Months End	led Se	ptember 30,
		2017	2016		2017		2016
Shares of common stock repurchased and retired		1,599	_		4,366		85
Average price paid per share	\$	32.98	N/A	\$	35.55	\$	34.12
Total cost	\$	52,741	N/A	\$	155,198	\$	2,903

13. Segment Reporting

We manage our business in five reportable segments: Corporate Finance & Restructuring, Forensic and Litigation Consulting, Economic Consulting, Technology and Strategic Communications.

Our Corporate Finance & Restructuring segment focuses on the strategic, operational, financial and capital needs of our clients around the world and delivers a wide range of distressed and non-distressed practice offerings. Our distressed practice offerings include corporate restructuring (and bankruptcy) and interim management services. Our non-distressed practice offerings include financings, mergers and acquisitions ("M&A"), M&A integration, valuations and tax advice, as well as financial, operational and performance improvement services.

Our Forensic and Litigation Consulting segment provides law firms, companies, government clients and other interested parties with multidisciplinary, independent dispute advisory, investigations, data analytics, forensic accounting, business intelligence and risk mitigation services, as well as interim management and performance improvement services for our health solutions practice clients.

Our Economic Consulting segment provides law firms, companies, government entities and other interested parties with analysis of complex economic issues for use in legal, regulatory and international arbitration proceedings, strategic decision making and public policy debates in the U.S. and around the world.

Our Technology segment offers a comprehensive portfolio of information governance and e-discovery software, services and consulting support to companies, law firms, courts and government agencies worldwide. Our services allow our clients to control the risk and expense of e-discovery events, as well as manage their data in the context of compliance and risk.

Our Strategic Communications segment designs and executes communications strategies for management teams and boards of directors to help them seize opportunities, manage financial, regulatory and reputational challenges, navigate market disruptions, articulate their brand, stake a competitive position, and preserve and grow their operations.

We evaluate the performance of our operating segments based on Adjusted Segment EBITDA. We define Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a segment's share of consolidated operating income before depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges and goodwill impairment charges. We define Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure, as the total of Adjusted Segment EBITDA for all segments, which excludes unallocated corporate expenses. We use Adjusted Segment EBITDA to internally evaluate the financial performance of our segments because we believe it reflects current core operating performance and provides an indicator of the segment's ability to generate cash.

The table below presents revenues and Adjusted Segment EBITDA for our reportable segments:

	Thr	ee Months En 2017	ded So	<u>eptember 30,</u> 2016	Ni	ine Months End 2017	led Se	<u>ptember 30,</u> 2016
Revenues		2017		2010		2017		2010
Corporate Finance & Restructuring	\$	128,121	\$	110,617	\$	351,509	\$	369,915
Forensic and Litigation Consulting		118,639		115,045		341,455		352,242
Economic Consulting		111,753		122,480		374,978		371,217
Technology		42,282		44,072		133,935		134,235
Strategic Communications		48,167		45,828		138,144		140,865
Total revenues	\$	448,962	\$	438,042	\$	1,340,021	\$	1,368,474
Adjusted Segment EBITDA								
Corporate Finance & Restructuring	\$	26,734	\$	17,762	\$	57,107	\$	81,406
Forensic and Litigation Consulting		22,539		16,554		49,092		51,552
Economic Consulting		12,061		18,354		47,680		55,054
Technology		5,973		7,398		19,198		20,256
Strategic Communications		8,073		7,509		17,206		22,057
Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	75,380	\$	67,577	\$	190,283	\$	230,325

The table below reconciles Net income to Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA:

	Thre	e Months En	ded Se	ptember 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2017	_	2016		2017		2016		
Net income		32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419		
Add back:										
Income tax provision		9,197		10,292		17,601		44,115		
Interest income and other		(1,103)		(3,213)		(3,300)		(9,895)		
Interest expense		6,760		6,304		18,811		18,836		
Unallocated corporate expenses(1)		18,827		21,738		60,166		60,890		
Segment depreciation expense		6,603		7,920		20,602		22,128		
Amortization of intangible assets		2,882		2,845		7,797		8,041		
Segment special charges		_		—		26,830		6,811		
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent										
consideration		—		_		702		980		
Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	75,380	\$	67,577	\$	190,283	\$	230,325		

(1) Includes \$3.2 million special charges for corporate for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

14. Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Guarantor and Non-Guarantor Financial Information

Substantially all of our domestic subsidiaries are guarantors of borrowings under our Senior Bank Credit Facility and 2022 Notes. The guarantees are full and unconditional and joint and several. All of our guarantors are wholly owned, direct or indirect, subsidiaries.

The following financial information presents condensed consolidating balance sheets, statements of comprehensive income and statements of cash flows for FTI Consulting, all the guarantor subsidiaries, all the non-guarantor subsidiaries and the eliminations necessary to arrive at the consolidated information for FTI Consulting and its subsidiaries. For purposes of this presentation, we have accounted for our investments in our subsidiaries using the equity method of accounting. The principal eliminating entries eliminate investment in subsidiary and intercompany balances and transactions.

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2017

		FTI Consulting		Guarantor Subsidiaries	Ň	on-Guarantor Subsidiaries		Eliminations	С	onsolidated
Assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	20,704	\$	159	\$	137,098	\$	—	\$	157,961
Accounts receivable, net		164,357		173,846		208,929		—		547,132
Intercompany receivables		—		1,060,086		23,912		(1,083,998)		
Other current assets		34,862		21,344		26,914		—		83,120
Total current assets		219,923		1,255,435		396,853	_	(1,083,998)		788,213
Property and equipment, net		33,317		14,749		22,916		_		70,982
Goodwill		570,876		416,053		217,235				1,204,164
Other intangible assets, net		19,730		11,772		31,023		(15,737)		46,788
Investments in subsidiaries		2,149,817		549,280				(2,699,097)		
Other assets		39,279		64,537		46,630				150,446
Total assets	\$	3,032,942	\$	2,311,826	\$	714,657	\$	(3,798,832)	\$	2,260,593
Liabilities	_		_		_				_	
Intercompany payables	\$	1,083,998	\$	—	\$		\$	(1,083,998)	\$	
Other current liabilities		118,584		139,369		108,913				366,866
Total current liabilities		1,202,582		139,369		108,913		(1,083,998)		366,866
Long-term debt, net		461,095		—				_		461,095
Other liabilities		238,336		11,362		52,005				301,703
Total liabilities		1,902,013		150,731		160,918		(1,083,998)		1,129,664
Stockholders' equity		1,130,929		2,161,095		553,739		(2,714,834)		1,130,929
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,032,942	\$	2,311,826	\$	714,657	\$	(3,798,832)	\$	2,260,593

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2016

	FTI Consulting		Guarantor Subsidiaries	on-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	(Consolidated
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 47,420	\$	156	\$ 168,582	\$ —	\$	216,158
Accounts receivable, net	137,523		163,820	173,554	—		474,897
Intercompany receivables	_		1,029,800		(1,029,800)		—
Other current assets	 44,708		24,944	 22,464			92,116
Total current assets	 229,651		1,218,720	 364,600	(1,029,800)		783,171
Property and equipment, net	25,466		14,118	22,272	—		61,856
Goodwill	558,978		416,053	204,970	—		1,180,001
Other intangible assets, net	21,959		13,393	34,725	(17,957)		52,120
Investments in subsidiaries	2,065,819		490,634	—	(2,556,453)		—
Other assets	47,308		65,398	35,514	—		148,220
Total assets	\$ 2,949,181	\$	2,218,316	\$ 662,081	\$ (3,604,210)	\$	2,225,368
Liabilities	 	_		 		_	
Intercompany payables	\$ 1,027,050	\$		\$ 2,750	\$ (1,029,800)	\$	—
Other current liabilities	137,710		129,810	110,935			378,455
Total current liabilities	 1,164,760		129,810	 113,685	(1,029,800)		378,455
Long-term debt, net	365,528						365,528
Other liabilities	211,535		16,411	46,081	—		274,027
Total liabilities	 1,741,823		146,221	 159,766	(1,029,800)		1,018,010
Stockholders' equity	1,207,358		2,072,095	502,315	(2,574,410)		1,207,358
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,949,181	\$	2,218,316	\$ 662,081	\$ (3,604,210)	\$	2,225,368

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2017

	c	FTI onsulting		uarantor Ibsidiaries	 on-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eli	minations	Со	nsolidated
Revenues	\$	163,311	\$	136,827	\$ 151,197	\$	(2,373)	\$	448,962
Operating expenses									
Direct cost of revenues		105,857		95,432	95,874		(2,312)		294,851
Selling, general and administrative expenses		44,781		30,280	28,909		(61)		103,909
Special charges		—		—	—		—		—
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		—		252	—		—		252
Amortization of other intangible assets		1,304		541	1,795		(758)		2,882
		151,942		126,505	 126,578		(3,131)		401,894
Operating income		11,369		10,322	 24,619		758		47,068
Other income (expense)		(5,912)		(4,548)	4,803		—		(5,657)
Income before income tax provision		5,457		5,774	 29,422		758		41,411
Income tax provision		4,438		2,260	2,499		—		9,197
Equity in net earnings of subsidiaries		31,195		21,731	—		(52,926)		—
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	25,245	\$ 26,923	\$	(52,168)	\$	32,214
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:			-		 				
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of									
tax expense of \$0	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 11,234	\$	—	\$	11,234
Other comprehensive income, net of tax					11,234		_		11,234
Comprehensive income	\$	32,214	\$	25,245	\$ 38,157	\$	(52,168)	\$	43,448

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

	C	FTI onsulting	-	uarantor Ibsidiaries	N	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eli	minations	Co	onsolidated
Revenues	\$	159,431	\$	153,986	\$	126,995	\$	(2,370)	\$	438,042
Operating expenses										
Direct cost of revenues		107,579		104,109		84,313		(2,299)		293,702
Selling, general and administrative expenses		47,388		30,704		28,199		(71)		106,220
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		—		201						201
Amortization of other intangible assets		986		541		1,823		(505)		2,845
		155,953		135,555		114,335		(2,875)		402,968
Operating income		3,478		18,431		12,660		505		35,074
Other income (expense)		(6,913)		(794)		4,616				(3,091)
Income (loss) before income tax provision		(3,435)		17,637		17,276		505		31,983
Income tax provision (benefit)		(1,402)		8,194		3,500		_		10,292
Equity in net earnings of subsidiaries		23,724		11,878				(35,602)		_
Net income	\$	21,691	\$	21,321	\$	13,776	\$	(35,097)	\$	21,691
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:										
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of										
tax expense of \$0	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(4,478)	\$	_	\$	(4,478)
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax		_				(4,478)				(4,478)
Comprehensive income	\$	21,691	\$	21,321	\$	9,298	\$	(35,097)	\$	17,213

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

	Con	FTI sulting, Inc.	 uarantor bsidiaries		on-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eli	iminations	c	consolidated
Revenues	\$	478,767	\$ 459,569	\$	408,780	\$	(7,095)	\$	1,340,021
Operating expenses									
Direct cost of revenues		325,560	321,606		267,742		(6,914)		907,994
Selling, general and administrative expenses		136,487	92,217		90,023		(181)		318,546
Special charges		13,592	7,306		9,176				30,074
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		_	1,424		—				1,424
Amortization of other intangible assets		3,089	1,621		5,306		(2,219)		7,797
		478,728	 424,174		372,247		(9,314)		1,265,835
Operating income		39	35,395	-	36,533	_	2,219		74,186
Other income (expense)		(16,525)	(5,046)		6,060		—		(15,511)
Income (loss) before income tax provision		(16,486)	30,349	-	42,593	_	2,219		58,675
Income tax provision (benefit)		(8,179)	17,397		8,383				17,601
Equity in net earnings of subsidiaries		49,381	26,442		_		(75,823)		
Net income	\$	41,074	\$ 39,394	\$	34,210	\$	(73,604)	\$	41,074
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:	-								
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of									
tax expense of \$0	\$	_	\$ _	\$	28,778	\$	—	\$	28,778
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax:					28,778		_		28,778
Comprehensive income	\$	41,074	\$ 39,394	\$	62,988	\$	(73,604)	\$	69,852

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

	Con	FTI sulting, Inc.	Guarantor Ibsidiaries		on-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Е	liminations	С	onsolidated
Revenues	\$	517,703	\$ 463,152	\$	394,618	\$	(6,999)	\$	1,368,474
Operating expenses									
Direct cost of revenues		337,262	312,921		259,184		(6,835)		902,532
Selling, general and administrative expenses		138,038	92,490		87,710		(164)		318,074
Special charges		1,750	4,563		498				6,811
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		6	1,535		—				1,541
Amortization of other intangible assets		2,958	1,639		5,584		(2,140)		8,041
		480,014	 413,148		352,976		(9,139)		1,236,999
Operating income		37,689	 50,004	-	41,642		2,140		131,475
Other income (expense)		(18,882)	(3,063)		13,004				(8,941)
Income before income tax provision		18,807	46,941		54,646		2,140		122,534
Income tax provision		9,781	21,918		12,416				44,115
Equity in net earnings of subsidiaries		69,393	38,867				(108,260)		
Net income	\$	78,419	\$ 63,890	\$	42,230	\$	(106,120)	\$	78,419
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:									
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of									
tax expense of \$0	\$	_	\$ _	\$	(23,645)	\$	_	\$	(23,645)
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax:					(23,645)		_		(23,645)
Comprehensive income	\$	78,419	\$ 63,890	\$	18,585	\$	(106,120)	\$	54,774

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

	FTI Consulting			Guarantor ubsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries		Co	onsolidated
Operating activities							-	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	(6,155)	\$	40,052	\$	(9,864)	\$	24,033
Investing activities							-	
Payments for acquisition of businesses, net of cash received		(8,929)		—		_		(8,929)
Purchases of property and equipment		(5,943)		(9,762)		(4,316)		(20,021)
Other		74				—		74
Net cash used in investing activities		(14,798)		(9,762)		(4,316)		(28,876)
Financing activities								
Borrowings under revolving line of credit, net		95,000		_		_		95,000
Deposits				—		3,585		3,585
Purchase and retirement of common stock		(155,285)		—		_		(155,285)
Net issuance of common stock under equity compensation								
plans		(2,354)		_		_		(2,354)
Other		(79)		—		_		(79)
Intercompany transfers		56,955		(30,287)		(26,668)		
Net cash used in financing activities		(5,763)		(30,287)		(23,083)		(59,133)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		_		_		5,779		5,779
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(26,716)		3		(31,484)		(58,197)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	47,420				156 168,582			216,158
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 20,70		,704 \$ 159		\$ 137,098		\$	157,961

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

	FTI Consulting			Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	(Consolidated
Operating activities			_				
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 16,670		\$	70,744	\$ 24,161	\$	111,575
Investing activities			_				
Payments for acquisition of businesses, net of cash received		_			(56)		(56)
Purchases of property and equipment		(2,714)		(16,145)	(3,996)		(22,855)
Other		74			—		74
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,640)		(16,145)	(4,052)		(22,837)
Financing activities							
Repayments under revolving line of credit, net		(25,000)		_	_		(25,000)
Deposits		—		—	2,806		2,806
Purchase and retirement of common stock		(2,903)		—	—		(2,903)
Net issuance of common stock under equity compensation							
plans		18,394			_		18,394
Other		930		(573)	—		357
Intercompany transfers		45,805		(54,030)	8,225		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		37,226		(54,603)	11,031		(6,346)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		_		_	(6,968)		(6,968)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		51,256		(4)	24,172		75,424
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	35,211			165	5 114,384		149,760
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 86,467		\$	161	\$ 138,556		225,184

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following is a discussion and analysis of our consolidated financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and capital resources for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 and significant factors that could affect our prospective financial condition and results of operations. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes and with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). In addition to historical information, the following discussion includes forward-looking statements based on current expectations that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions, such as our plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements could prove to be incorrect, and actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in the forward-looking statements.

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

FTI Consulting is a global business advisory firm dedicated to helping organizations manage change, mitigate risk and resolve disputes: financial, legal, operational, political and regulatory, reputational and transactional. Individually, each of our practices is staffed with experts recognized for the depth of their knowledge and a track record of making an impact. Collectively, FTI Consulting offers a comprehensive suite of services designed to assist clients across the business cycle, from proactive risk management to rapid response to unexpected events and dynamic environments.

We report financial results for the following five reportable segments:

Our **Corporate Finance & Restructuring ("Corporate Finance")** segment focuses on the strategic, operational, financial and capital needs of our clients around the world and delivers a wide range of distressed and non-distressed practice offerings. Our distressed practice offerings include corporate restructuring (and bankruptcy) and interim management services. Our non-distressed practice offerings include financings, M&As, M&A integration, valuations and tax advice, as well as financial, operational and performance improvement services.

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Our **Strategic Communications** segment designs and executes communications strategies for management teams and boards of directors to help them seize opportunities, manage financial, regulatory and reputational challenges, navigate market disruptions, articulate their brand, stake a competitive position, and preserve and grow their operations.

We derive substantially all of our revenues from providing professional services to both U.S. and global clients. Most of our services are rendered under time-and-expense arrangements that obligate the client to pay us a fee for the hours that we incur at agreed-upon rates. Under this arrangement, we typically bill our clients for reimbursable expenses, which may include the cost of producing our work product and other direct expenses that we incur on behalf of the client, such as travel costs. We also render services for which certain clients may be required to pay us a fixed fee or recurring retainer. These arrangements are generally cancelable at any time. Some of our engagements contain performance-based arrangements in which we earn a success fee when and if certain predefined outcomes occur. This type of success fee may supplement a time-and-expense or fixed-fee arrangement. Success fee revenues may cause variations in our revenues and operating results due to the timing of achieving the performance-based criteria. In our Technology segment, certain clients are also billed based on the amount of data stored on our electronic systems, the volume of information processed, or the number of users licensing our Ringtail® software products for use or installation within their own environments. We license certain preducts directly to end users, as well as indirectly through our channel partner relationships. Unit-based revenues are defined as revenues billed on a per-item, per-page or some other unit-based method and include revenues from data processing and hosting, software usage and software licensing. Unit-based revenues associated with our proprietary software that are made available to customers, either via a web browser ("on-demand") or installed at our customer or partner locations ("onpremise"). On-demand revenues are charged on a unit or monthly basis and include, but are not limited to, processing and review related functions. Onpremise revenues are comprised of upfront license fees, with recurrin

Our financial results are primarily driven by:

- the number, size and type of engagements we secure;
- the rate per hour or fixed charges we charge our clients for services;
- the utilization rates of the revenue-generating professionals we employ;
- the number of revenue-generating professionals;
- licensing of our software products and other technology services;
- the types of assignments we are working on at different times;
- the length of the billing and collection cycles; and
- the geographic locations of our clients or locations in which services are rendered.

We define acquisition growth as revenues of acquired companies in the first 12 months following the effective date of an acquisition. Our definition of organic growth is the change in revenues excluding the impact of all such acquisitions.

When significant, we identify the estimated impact of foreign currency translation ("FX") driven by our businesses with functional currencies other than the U.S. dollar ("USD"), on the period-to-period performance results. The estimated impact of FX is calculated as the difference between the prior period results multiplied by the average foreign currency exchange rates to USD in the current period and the prior period results multiplied by the average foreign currency rates to USD in the prior period.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In the accompanying analysis of financial information, we sometimes use information derived from consolidated and segment financial information that may not be presented in our financial statements or prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). Certain of these financial measures are considered not in conformity with GAAP ("non-GAAP financial measures") under the SEC rules. Specifically, we have referred to the following non-GAAP financial measures:

- Total Segment Operating Income
- Adjusted EBITDA
- Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA
- Adjusted EBITDA Margin
- Adjusted Segment EBITDA Margin
- Adjusted Net Income
- Adjusted Earnings per Diluted Share
- Free Cash Flow

We have included the definitions of Segment Operating Income and Adjusted Segment EBITDA below in order to more fully define the components of certain non-GAAP financial measures in the accompanying analysis of financial information. As described in Note 13, "Segment Reporting" in Part 1, Item 1, of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we evaluate the performance of our operating segments based on Adjusted Segment EBITDA, and Segment Operating Income is a component of the definition of Adjusted Segment EBITDA.

We define Segment Operating Income as a segment's share of consolidated operating income. We define Total Segment Operating Income, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as the total of Segment Operating Income for all segments, which excludes unallocated corporate expenses. We use Segment Operating Income for the purpose of calculating Adjusted Segment EBITDA. We define Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a segment's share of consolidated operating income before depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges and goodwill impairment charges. We use Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a basis to internally evaluate the financial performance of our segments because we believe it reflects current core operating performance and provides an indicator of the segment's ability to generate cash. We define Adjusted EBITDA Margin as Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of total revenues. We define Adjusted Segment EBITDA Margin as Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percentage of a segment's revenues.

We define Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as the total of Adjusted Segment EBITDA for all segments, which excludes unallocated corporate expenses. We define Adjusted EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as consolidated net income before income tax provision, other non-operating income (expense), depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges, goodwill impairment charges and losses on early extinguishment of debt. We believe that the non-GAAP financial measures, which exclude the effects of remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges and goodwill impairment charges, when considered together with our GAAP financial results and GAAP measures, provide management and investors with a more complete understanding of our operating results, including underlying trends. In addition, EBITDA is a common alternative measure of operating performance used by many of our competitors. It is used by investors, financial analysts, rating agencies and others to value and compare the financial performance of companies in our industry. Therefore, we also believe that these measures, considered along with corresponding GAAP measures, provide management and investors with additional information for comparison of our operating results with the operating results of other companies.

We define Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Earnings per Diluted Share ("Adjusted EPS"), which are non-GAAP financial measures, as net income and earnings per diluted share, respectively, excluding the impact of remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges, goodwill impairment charges and losses on early extinguishment of debt. We use Adjusted Net Income for the purpose of calculating Adjusted EPS. Management uses Adjusted EPS to assess total Company operating performance on a consistent basis. We believe that this non-GAAP financial measure, which excludes the effects of the remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration, special charges, goodwill impairment charges and losses on early extinguishment of debt, when considered together with our GAAP financial results, provides management and investors with an additional understanding of our business operating results, including underlying trends.

We define Free Cash Flow as net cash provided by operating activities less cash payments for purchases of property and equipment. We believe this non-GAAP financial measure, when considered together with our GAAP financial results, provides management and investors with an additional understanding of the Company's ability to generate cash for ongoing business operations and other capital deployment.

Non-GAAP financial measures are not defined in the same manner by all companies and may not be comparable with other similarly titled measures of other companies. Non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for or superior to, the information contained in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. Reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are included elsewhere in this report.

EXECUTIVE HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months En	ded Se	ptember 30,	Nine Months End	led Septe	ember 30,
	2017		2016	 2017		2016
	(dollar amount except per			(dollar amoun except per		
Revenues	\$ 448,962	\$	438,042	\$ 1,340,021	\$	1,368,474
Special charges(1)	\$ 	\$	_	\$ 30,074	\$	6,811
Net income	\$ 32,214	\$	21,691	\$ 41,074	\$	78,419
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 57,420	\$	47,229	\$ 136,527	\$	172,666
Earnings per common share —						
diluted	\$ 0.85	\$	0.52	\$ 1.03	\$	1.88
Adjusted earnings per common share —						
diluted	\$ 0.83	\$	0.52	\$ 1.55	\$	2.00
Net cash provided by operating						
activities	\$ 106,233	\$	70,942	\$ 24,033	\$	111,575
Total number of employees	4,654		4,767	4,654		4,767

(1) Excluded from non-GAAP measures.

Third Quarter 2017 Executive Highlights

Revenues

Revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$10.9 million, or 2.5%, to \$449.0 million, compared with revenues of \$438.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 primarily driven by higher revenue in our Corporate Finance and FLC segments, partially offset by declines in our Economic Consulting segment.

Special charges

There were no special charges recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2017.

Net income

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$32.2 million compared with net income of \$21.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase from the prior year quarter was due to the impact of operating profits driven by segment performance and a lower effective income tax rate.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$10.2 million, or 21.6% to \$57.4 million compared with \$47.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016. Adjusted EBITDA was 12.8% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 10.8% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The increase in Adjusted EBITDA was due to higher margin revenues, including success fees, and improved utilization largely within our Corporate Finance and FLC segments.

Earnings per diluted share (EPS) and Adjusted EPS

Earnings per diluted share for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$0.33 to \$0.85 compared with \$0.52 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. Adjusted EPS for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$0.31 to \$0.83 compared with \$0.52 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The increases for both EPS and Adjusted EPS were due to the operating results described above, lower weighted average shares outstanding as a result of repurchases made under our Stock Repurchase Program and a lower effective income tax rate.

Liquidity and capital allocation

Net cash provided by operating activities for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$35.3 million to \$106.2 million compared with \$70.9 million for the prior year quarter mainly due to higher cash collections as a result of higher revenues, lower income tax payments and benefits related to the timing of certain other operating expenditures. Days sales outstanding ("DSO") was slightly lower (DSO was 105 days at September 30, 2017 and 106 days at September 30, 2016). Free cash flow for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$99.3 million compared with \$60.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$99.3 million compared with \$60.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016.

A portion of net cash provided by operating activities was used to repurchase and retire 1,599,400 shares of our common stock for an average price per share of \$32.98, at a total cost of \$52.7 million and make \$20.0 million of net repayments under the Company's \$550.0 million senior secured bank revolving credit facility ("Senior Bank Credit Facility").

Other strategic activities

During the three months ended September 30, 2017, we acquired the operations of a restructuring advisory firm in New York. As part of the transaction, 19 professionals, including five Senior Managing Directors, joined the Company's Corporate Finance segment. The addition of these professionals will further enhance our top restructuring position in North America by strengthening our company-side and interim management capabilities.

Headcount

Our total headcount decreased 1.4% from 4,718 at December 31, 2016 to 4,654 at September 30, 2017. The following table includes the net billable headcount additions (reductions) for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

	Corporate Finance &	Forensic and Litigation	Economic		Strategic	
Billable Headcount	Restructuring (1)	Consulting	Consulting	Technology	Communications	Total
December 31, 2016	895	1,110	656	288	647	3,596
Additions, net	5	—	4	8	10	27
March 31, 2017	900	1,110	660	296	657	3,623
Additions (reductions), net	(19)	(40)	(8)	5	2	(60)
June 30, 2017	881	1,070	652	301	659	3,563
Additions (reductions), net	53	10	36	(10)	(33)	56
September 30, 2017	934	1,080	688	291	626	3,619
Percentage change in headcount from December 31, 2016	4.4%	-2.7%	4.9%	1.0%	-3.2%	0.6%

(1) There were 19 revenue-generating professionals added during the three months ended September 30, 2017 related to a business acquisition.

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Segment and Consolidated Operating Results:

\$	2017 128,121 118,639	(in t	2016 housands, exco 110,617	• •	2017 er share data)		2016
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\$,	\$	110 617				
•	,		110.01/	\$	351,509	\$	369,915
			115,045	-	341,455	*	352,242
	111,753		122,480		374,978		371,217
	42,282		44,072		133,935		134,235
	48,167		45,828		138,144		140,865
\$	448,962	\$	438,042	\$	1,340,021	\$	1,368,474
\$	24,706	\$	16,182	\$	48,902	\$	76,740
	21,127		14,867		34,234		45,005
	10,524		16,888		37,034		51,390
	3,002		2,869		5,874		2,569
	6,536		6,006		8,308		16,661
	65,895		56,812		134,352		192,365
	(18,827)		(21,738)		(60,166)		(60,890
	47,068		35,074		74,186		131,475
	1,103		3,213		3,300		9,895
	(6,760)		(6,304)		(18,811)		(18,836
	(5,657)		(3,091)		(15,511)		(8,941
	41,411		31,983		58,675		122,534
	9,197		10,292		17,601		44,115
\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419
\$	0.86	\$	0.53	\$	1.05	\$	1.92
\$	0.85	\$	0.52	\$	1.03	\$	1.88
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Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA:

	Thr	ee Months End	ded Se	ptember 30,	Nii	ne Months End	ed Sep	otember 30,
		2017 20				2017		2016
		(in thou	usands)		(in thou	isands)
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419
Add back:								
Income tax provision		9,197		10,292		17,601		44,115
Interest income and other		(1,103)		(3,213)		(3,300)		(9,895)
Interest expense		6,760		6,304		18,811		18,836
Depreciation and amortization		7,470		9,310		23,768		25,359
Amortization of other intangible assets		2,882		2,845		7,797		8,041
Special charges		_		—		30,074		6,811
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent								
consideration				_		702		980
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	57,420	\$	47,229	\$	136,527	\$	172,666

Reconciliation of Net Income and Earnings Per Diluted Share to Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS:

	Thre	e Months En 2017	ded S	<u>eptember 30,</u> 2016	Ni	<u>ne Months End</u> 2017	ed Se	<u>ptember 30,</u> 2016
	(in th	ousands, exc	ept pe	r share data)	(in t	thousands, exce	pt pe	r share data)
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419
Add back:								
Special charges						30,074		6,811
Tax impact of special charges ⁽¹⁾		(832)				(9,935)		(2,483)
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration						702		980
Tax impact of remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration		_		_		(269)		(380)
Adjusted net income	\$	31,382	\$	21,691	\$	61,646	\$	83,347
Earnings per common share — diluted	\$	0.85	\$	0.52	\$	1.03	\$	1.88
Add back:								
Special charges						0.76		0.16
Tax impact of special charges ⁽¹⁾		(0.02)				(0.25)		(0.06)
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration		_				0.02		0.02
Tax impact of remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent consideration		_		_		(0.01)		_
Adjusted earnings per common share — diluted	\$	0.83	\$	0.52	\$	1.55	\$	2.00
Weighted average number of common shares								
outstanding — diluted		37,746		42,065		39,715		41,605
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(1) Tax impact of special charges during the three months ended September 30, 2017 represents the favorable impact of a reduction in foreign net operating losses and related valuation allowances.

Reconciliation of Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities to Free Cash Flow:

	Th	2017 2016 (in thousands) \$ \$ 106,233 \$ 70,942 \$			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2017 (in thousand	2017 2016		2016		2017		2016
		(in tho	usands	5)		(in thou	isands))	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	106,233	\$	70,942	\$	24,033	\$	111,575	
Purchases of property and equipment		(6,894)		(10,872)		(20,021)		(22,855)	
Free Cash Flow	\$	99,339	\$	60,070	\$	4,012	\$	88,720	

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues and operating income

See "Segment Results" for an expanded discussion of revenues, gross profit and selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expense.

Unallocated corporate expenses

Unallocated corporate expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2017 decreased \$2.9 million, or 13.4%, to \$18.8 million compared to \$21.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease was primarily due to lower infrastructure departments spend and lower executive compensation expense, which was partially offset by higher legal expenses.

Interest income and other

Interest income and other, which includes foreign currency transaction gains and losses, decreased \$2.1 million to \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with \$3.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease was primarily due to net unrealized foreign currency transaction losses, which were \$0.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$1.3 million gain for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$1.3 million gain for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$1.3 million gain for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$1.3 million gain for the three months ended September 30, 2016. Transaction gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, relate to the remeasurement or settlement of monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in a currency other than an entity's functional currency. These monetary assets and liabilities include cash as well as third party and intercompany receivables and payables.

Interest expense

Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2017 increased \$0.5 million, or 7.2%, to \$6.8 million compared to \$6.3 million for three months ended September 30, 2016. Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was negatively impacted by higher average interest rates on our borrowings under the Senior Bank Credit Facility.

Income tax provision

The effective income tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was 22.2% compared with 32.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The current quarter rate declined as a result of the favorable impact of an intercompany service fee that reduced certain foreign net operating losses and related valuation allowances, and higher foreign earnings which are in lower taxed jurisdictions. The effective tax rate, prior to discrete items, declined by 7.9 percentage points, primarily as a result of these benefits as compared to the prior year period. In addition certain discrete adjustments reduced the rate by 2.1 percentage points as compared to the prior year period.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues and operating income

See "Segment Results" for an expanded discussion of revenues, gross profit and SG&A expense.

Unallocated corporate expenses

Unallocated corporate expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 decreased \$0.7 million, or 1.2%, to \$60.2 million compared to \$60.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Excluding the impact of special charges of \$3.2 million recorded in 2017, unallocated corporate expenses decreased by \$3.9 million in 2017 or 6.5%. The decrease was primarily due to lower infrastructure departments spend and lower executive compensation expense, which was partially offset by higher legal expenses and the 2017 global senior management meeting.

Interest income and other

Interest income and other, which includes foreign currency transaction gains and losses, decreased \$6.6 million to \$3.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with \$9.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease was primarily due to net unrealized foreign currency transaction losses, which were \$0.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$5.7 million gain for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$5.7 million gain for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$5.7 million gain for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with a \$5.7 million gain for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Transaction gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, relate to the remeasurement or settlement of monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in a currency other than an entity's functional currency. These monetary assets and liabilities include cash as well as third party and intercompany receivables and payables.

Interest expense

Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 of \$18.8 million was consistent with the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

Income tax provision

Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was 30.0% compared to 36.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The current year rate declined as a result of a mix of higher foreign earnings which are in lower taxed jurisdictions partially offset by an increase in valuation allowances on certain foreign net operating losses. The effective tax rate, prior to discrete items, declined by 3.7 percentage points, primarily as a result of these benefits as compared to the prior year period. In addition certain discrete adjustments reduced the rate by 2.3 percentage points compared to the prior year period.

SEGMENT RESULTS

Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA

We evaluate the performance of our operating segments based on Adjusted Segment EBITDA. We define Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as the total of Adjusted Segment EBITDA for all segments, which excludes unallocated corporate expenses. The following table reconciles Net Income to Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016.

	Thre	e Months En		<i>(</i>	Nir		Inded September 3		
		2017 (in tho	usands)	2016		2017		2016	
Net income	\$	32,214	\$	21,691	\$	41,074	\$	78,419	
Add back:									
Income tax provision		9,197		10,292		17,601		44,115	
Interest income and other		(1,103)		(3,213)		(3,300)		(9,895)	
Interest expense		6,760		6,304		18,811		18,836	
Unallocated corporate expenses ⁽¹⁾		18,827		21,738		60,166		60,890	
Total segment operating income		65,895		56,812		134,352		192,365	
Add back:									
Segment depreciation expense		6,603		7,920		20,602		22,128	
Amortization of other intangible assets		2,882		2,845		7,797		8,041	
Segment special charges				—		26,830		6,811	
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent									
consideration		—		—		702		980	
Total Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	75,380	\$	67,577	\$	190,283	\$	230,325	

(1) Includes \$3.2 million in special charges for corporate for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Other Segment Operating Data

	Thre	e Months En	ded Sep	tember 30,	Nine Month	s Ended S	eptember 30,
		2017		2016	2017		2016
Number of revenue-generating professionals:							
(at period end)							
Corporate Finance & Restructuring		934		904	9	34	904
Forensic and Litigation Consulting		1,080		1,145	1,0	80	1,145
Economic Consulting		688		647	6	88	647
Technology (1)		291		298	2	91	298
Strategic Communications		626		624	6	26	624
Total revenue-generating professionals		3,619		3,618	3,6	19	3,618
tilization rates of billable professionals: (2)							
Corporate Finance & Restructuring		64%)	61%		61%	68%
Forensic and Litigation Consulting		63%)	57%		61%	60%
Economic Consulting		62%)	69%		68%	74%
verage billable rate per hour: (3)							
Corporate Finance & Restructuring	\$	390	\$	379	\$ 3	83 \$	388
Forensic and Litigation Consulting	\$	326	\$	330	\$ 3	18 \$	329
Economic Consulting	\$	520	\$	534	\$ 5	19 \$	516

(1) The number of revenue-generating professionals for the Technology segment excludes as-needed professionals who we employ based on demand for the segment's services. We employed an average of 218 as-needed employees during the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 258 as-needed employees during the three months ended September 30, 2016.

(2) We calculate the utilization rate for our billable professionals by dividing the number of hours that all of our billable professionals worked on client assignments during a period by the total available working hours for all of our billable professionals during the same period. Available hours are determined by the standard hours worked by each employee, adjusted



for part-time hours, local country standard work weeks and local country holidays. Available working hours include vacation and professional training days, but exclude holidays. Utilization rates are presented for our segments that primarily bill clients on an hourly basis. We have not presented utilization rates for our Technology and Strategic Communications segments as most of the revenues of these segments are not generated on an hourly basis.

(3) For engagements where revenues are based on number of hours worked by our billable professionals, average billable rate per hour is calculated by dividing revenues (excluding revenues from success fees, pass-through revenues and outside consultants) for a period by the number of hours worked on client assignments during the same period. We have not presented average billable rates per hour for our Technology and Strategic Communications segments as most of the revenues of these segments are not based on billable hours.

CORPORATE FINANCE & RESTRUCTURING

	Thr	ee Months End	led Sej	<u>otember 30,</u> 2016	Ni	ine Months Ende 2017	ed Sej	<u>otember 30,</u> 2016
		(dollars in t except rate		nds,		(dollars in t except rate		unds,
Revenues	\$	128,121	\$	110,617	\$	351,509	\$	369,915
Percentage change in revenues from prior year		15.8%		-2.5%		-5.0%		12.5%
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		81,749		73,444		233,492		229,769
Selling, general and administrative expenses		20,449		20,109		63,270		60,915
Special charges		—		—		3,049		—
Amortization of other intangible assets		1,217		882		2,796		2,491
		103,415		94,435		302,607		293,175
Segment operating income		24,706		16,182		48,902		76,740
Percentage change in segment operating income								
from prior year		52.7%		-35.6%		-36.3%		13.2%
Add back:								
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets		2,028		1,580		5,156		4,666
Special charges						3,049	_	
Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	26,734	\$	17,762	\$	57,107	\$	81,406
Gross profit (1)	\$	46,372	\$	37,173	\$	118,017	\$	140,146
Percentage change in gross profit from prior year		24.7%		-17.1%		-15.8%		9.4%
Gross profit margin (2)		36.2%		33.6%		33.6%		37.9%
Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percent of revenues		20.9%		16.1%		16.2%		22.0%
Number of revenue-generating professionals (at period								
end)		934		904		934		904
Percentage change in number of revenue-generating								
professionals from prior year		3.3%		8.9%		3.3%		8.9%
Utilization rates of billable professionals		64%		61%		61%		68%
Average billable rate per hour	\$	390	\$	379	\$	383	\$	388

(1) Revenues less direct cost of revenues

(2) Gross profit as a percent of revenues

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues increased \$17.5 million, or 15.8%, to \$128.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017, which included \$3.7 million, or 3.4%, from an acquisition that closed in the quarter. Excluding the acquisition, revenues increased organically by \$13.8 million, or 12.5%. This increase was primarily due to increase demand globally for restructuring services, and an \$8.5 million increase in success fees.

Gross profit increased \$9.2 million, or 24.7%, to \$46.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased 2.6 percentage points for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This increase was a result of higher success fees and improved utilization.

SG&A expense increased \$0.3 million, or 1.7%, to \$20.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 16.0% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 18.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2016.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$18.4 million, or 5.0%, to \$351.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, which included a 0.8% estimated negative impact from FX. Excluding the estimated impact of FX, revenues decreased \$15.5 million, or 4.2%. This decrease was primarily driven by lower demand for restructuring services globally, partially offset by higher success fees.

Gross profit decreased \$22.1 million, or 15.8%, to \$118.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin decreased 4.3 percentage points for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was due to lower utilization across all regions, partially offset by higher success fees in North America.

SG&A expenses increased \$2.4 million, or 3.9%, to \$63.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 18.0% of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 16.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase in SG&A expense was due to an increase in bad debt expense and higher infrastructure support costs. Bad debt expense in 2016 included a collection of a prior period write-off.

FORENSIC AND LITIGATION CONSULTING

	Thr	ree Months End 2017	ed Se	<u>ptember 30,</u> 2016	Ni	ne Months Ende	ed Sep	otember 30, 2016
		dollars in t except rate		nds,		(dollars in t except rate		ands,
Revenues	\$	118,639	\$	115,045	\$	341,455	\$	352,242
Percentage change in revenues from prior year		3.1%		-1.0%		-3.1%		-3.6
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		75,251		77,140		229,489		238,693
Selling, general and administrative expenses		21,861		22,554		66,091		65,269
Special charges						10,445		1,750
Acquisition-related contingent consideration								e
Amortization of other intangible assets		400		484		1,196		1,519
		97,512		100,178		307,221		307,237
Segment operating income		21,127		14,867		34,234		45,003
Percentage change in segment operating income from prior year		42.1%		24.5%		-23.9%		-11.0
Add back:		.=.170		2		20.070		
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets		1,412		1,687		4,413		4,79
Special charges						10,445		1,750
Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	22,539	\$	16,554	\$	49,092	\$	51,55
Gross profit (1)	\$	43,388	\$	37,905	\$	111,966	\$	113,54
Percentage change in gross profit from prior year		14.5%		8.8%		-1.4%		-8.4
Gross profit margin (2)		36.6%		32.9%		32.8%		32.
Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percent of revenues		19.0%		14.4%		14.4%		14.
Number of revenue-generating professionals (at period								
end)		1,080		1,145		1,080		1,145
Percentage change in number of revenue-generating								
professionals from prior year		-5.7%		-5.3%		-5.7%		-5.3
Utilization rates of billable professionals		63%		57%		61%		60
Average billable rate per hour	\$	326	\$	330	\$	318	\$	329

(1) Revenues less direct cost of revenues.

(2) Gross profit as a percent of revenues.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues increased \$3.6 million, or 3.1%, to \$118.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This increase in revenues was primarily due to higher demand for forensic accounting and advisory services and construction solutions offerings, partially offset by a \$4.5 million decrease in success fees in our health solutions practice.

Gross profit increased \$5.5 million, or 14.5%, to \$43.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased 3.7 percentage points for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This increase is related to a 6 percentage point improvement in utilization, which was partially offset by the impact of lower success fees in our health solutions practice.

SG&A expenses decreased \$0.7 million, or 3.1%, to \$21.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 18.4% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 19.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease in SG&A expense was due to lower compensation and travel expenses, partially offset by higher bad debt expense.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$10.8 million, or 3.1%, to \$341.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily driven by lower demand in our global investigations and health solutions practices, partially offset by increased volume in our global construction solutions and North America data and analytics practices.

Gross profit decreased \$1.6 million, or 1.4%, to \$112.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased 0.6 percentage point for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This increase is related to better utilization in our global construction solutions practice coupled with lower personnel costs in our health solutions practice partially offset by lower utilization in our global investigations.

SG&A expenses increased \$0.8 million, or 1.3%, to \$66.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 19.4% of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 18.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase in SG&A expense was due to higher bad debt expense, partially offset by lower travel expenses and other declines in general overhead expenses.



ECONOMIC CONSULTING

	Th	ree Months End	led Se		Ni	ine Months End	ed Sep	
		2017 (dollars in t except rate				2017 (dollars in t except rate		
Revenues	\$	111,753	\$	122,480	\$	374,978	\$	371,217
Percentage change in revenues from prior year		-8.8%		6.9%		1.0%		12.7
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		83,949		88,682		278,901		268,517
Selling, general and administrative expenses		17,123		16,745		52,653		50,775
Special charges				—		5,910		
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		3		11		17		43
Amortization of other intangible assets		154		154		463		492
		101,229		105,592		337,944		319,827
Segment operating income		10,524		16,888		37,034		51,390
Percentage change in segment operating income from prior year		-37.7%		9.0%		-27.9%		28.2
Add back:								
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets		1,537		1,466		4,736		3,664
Special charges						5,910		
Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	12,061	\$	18,354	\$	47,680	\$	55,054
Gross profit (1)	\$	27,804	\$	33,798	\$	96,077	\$	102,700
Percentage change in gross profit from prior year		-17.7%		7.8%		-6.4%		18.4
Gross profit margin (2)		24.9%		27.6%		25.6%		27.7
Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percent of revenues		10.8%		15.0%		12.7%		14.8
Number of revenue-generating professionals (at period end)		688		647		688		647
Percentage change in number of revenue-generating								
professionals from prior year		6.3%		8.9%		6.3%		8.9
Utilization rates of billable professionals		62%		69%		68%		74
Average billable rate per hour	\$	520	\$	534	\$	519	\$	516

(1) Revenues less direct cost of revenues

(2) Gross profit as a percent of revenues

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$10.7 million, or 8.8%, to \$111.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily driven by lower demand for antitrust and financial economics services in North America.

Gross profit decreased \$6.0 million, or 17.7%, to \$27.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin decreased 2.7 percentage points for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily due to a 7 percentage point decline in utilization, resulting from lower demand and an increase in billable staff.

SG&A expenses increased \$0.4 million, or 2.3%, to \$17.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 15.3% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 13.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2016.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues increased \$3.8 million, or 1.0%, to \$375.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, which included a 1.5% estimated negative impact from FX. Excluding the estimated impact of FX, revenues increased by \$9.2 million, or 2.5%. This increase was primarily driven by higher demand and realized rates for antitrust services in North America, which was partially offset by lower demand for our financial economics services in North America.

Gross profit decreased \$6.6 million, or 6.4%, to \$96.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin decreased 2.1 percentage points for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily due to a 5 percentage point decline in utilization, with an increase in billable staff.

SG&A expenses increased \$1.9 million, or 3.7%, to \$52.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 14.0% of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 13.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase in SG&A expense was driven primarily by higher depreciation, bad debt, and infrastructure support costs, which was partially offset by lower legal fees.

TECHNOLOGY

	Thr	ee Months En	ded Sep		Ni	ne Months End	led Se	
		2017		2016		2017		2016
	^	(dollars in		,	.	(dollars in		
Revenues	\$	42,282	\$	44,072	\$	133,935	\$	134,235
Percentage change in revenues from prior year		-4.1%)	-20.7%		-0.2%	Ď	-22.0%
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		24,206		25,666		77,276		78,526
Selling, general and administrative expenses		14,916		15,129		46,481		47,354
Special charges		_				3,827		5,061
Amortization of other intangible assets		158		408		477		725
		39,280		41,203		128,061		131,666
Segment operating income		3,002	_	2,869		5,874		2,569
Percentage change in segment operating income								
from prior year		4.6%)	-58.0%		128.6%	Ď	-88.09
Add back:								
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets		2,971		4,529		9,497		12,626
Special charges						3,827		5,061
Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	5,973	\$	7,398	\$	19,198	\$	20,256
Gross profit (1)	\$	18,076	\$	18,406	\$	56,659	\$	55,709
Percentage change in gross profit from prior year		-1.8%)	-24.6%		1.7%	,)	-26.5%
Gross profit margin (2)		42.8%)	41.8%		42.3%	,)	41.5%
Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percent of revenues		14.1%)	16.8%		14.3%	,)	15.1%
Number of revenue-generating professionals (at period								
end) (3)		291		298		291		298
Percentage change in number of revenue-generating								
professionals from prior year		-2.3%)	-15.8%		-2.3%	Ď	-15.8%

(1) Revenues less direct cost of revenues

(2) Gross profit as a percent of revenues

(3) Includes personnel involved in direct client assistance and revenue generating consultants

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$1.8 million, or 4.1%, to \$42.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily driven by lower demand for managed review and lower pricing for hosting services, partially offset by increased demand for consulting services. These decreases were related to the wind down of large cross-border investigations, partially offset by new M&A-related "second requests."

Gross profit decreased \$0.3 million, or 1.8%, to \$18.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased by 1.0 percentage point for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This margin increase is due to lower data center costs partially offset by an unfavorable revenue mix.

SG&A expenses decreased \$0.2 million, or 1.4%, to \$14.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 35.3% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 34.3% for the three months ended

September 30, 2016. Research and development expense related to software development was \$3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017, a decline of \$1.2 million, compared with \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016. This reduction was offset by higher selling expenses and bad debt expense.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$0.3 million, or 0.2%, to \$133.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Revenues were relatively consistent with the prior year period primarily driven by lower pricing for hosting, which was offset by higher demand and pricing for consulting. This was due to higher demand in M&A second request and investigation work offset by the wind down of certain hosting services engagements.

Gross profit increased \$1.0 million, or 1.7%, to \$56.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased 0.8 percentage points for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This margin increase is due to lower data center costs largely offset by an unfavorable revenue mix.

SG&A expenses decreased \$0.9 million, or 1.8%, to \$46.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 34.7% of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 35.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Research and development expense related to software development was \$11.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, a decline of \$1.2 million, compared with \$13.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 3 2017 2016					
		2017 (dollars in)	thouse	2016		2017 (dollars in tl	housar	2016
Revenues	\$	48,167	s s	45,828	\$	138,144	s	140,865
Percentage change in revenues from prior year		5.1%	,	-17.7%	,	-1.9%		-0.2%
Operating expenses								
Direct cost of revenues		29,695		28,770		88,832		87,027
Selling, general and administrative expenses		10,734		9,945		33,133		32,871
Special charges						3,599		
Remeasurement of acquisition-related contingent								
consideration		—		—		702		980
Acquisition-related contingent consideration		249		190		705		512
Amortization of other intangible assets		953		917		2,865		2,814
		41,631		39,822		129,836		124,204
Segment operating income		6,536		6,006		8,308		16,661
Percentage change in segment operating income								
from prior year		8.8% -1		-17.0%		-50.1%		7.1%
Add back:								
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets		1,537		1,503		4,597		4,416
Special charges		—		—		3,599		—
Fair value remeasurement of contingent consideration						702		980
Adjusted Segment EBITDA	\$	8,073	\$	7,509	\$	17,206	\$	22,057
Gross profit (1)	\$	18,472	\$	17,058	\$	49,312	\$	53,838
Percentage change in gross profit from prior year		8.3%		-7.3%		-8.4%		7.3%
Gross profit margin (2)		38.3%		37.2%		35.7%		38.2%
Adjusted Segment EBITDA as a percent of revenues		16.8%		16.4%		12.5%		15.7%
Number of revenue-generating professionals (at period								
end)		626		624		626		624
Percentage change in number of revenue-generating								
professionals from prior year		0.3%)	5.1%		0.3%		5.1%

(1) Revenues less direct cost of revenues

(2) Gross profit as a percent of revenues

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues increased \$2.3 million, or 5.1%, to \$48.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017, which included 1.0% estimated favorable impact from FX. Excluding the estimated impact of FX, revenues increased \$1.9 million, or 4.1%, primarily driven by higher retainer based revenues, partially offset by lower pass-through revenues.

Gross profit increased \$1.4 million, or 8.3%, to \$18.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin increased 1.1 percentage points for the three months ended September 30, 2017. This increase was primarily due to a lower proportion of lower margin pass-through revenues and the impact of a success fee.

SG&A expenses increased \$0.8 million, or 7.9%, to \$10.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 22.3% of revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 21.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The increase in SG&A expenses was largely driven by higher general overhead expenses.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Revenues decreased \$2.7 million, or 1.9%, to \$138.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, which included 2.2% estimated negative impact from FX. Excluding the estimated impact from FX, revenues were in line with prior year but include an increase in retainer based revenues across all regions offset by declining project income, mainly in North America.

Gross profit decreased \$4.5 million, or 8.4%, to \$49.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Gross profit margin decreased 2.5 percentage points for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. This decrease was primarily due to fewer large, high margin engagements in North America as well as higher compensation as a result of increased average headcount.

SG&A expenses increased \$0.3 million, or 0.8%, to \$33.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. SG&A expenses were 24.0% of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with 23.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our condensed consolidated financial statements, which we have prepared in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 7, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC, describes the significant accounting policies and methods used in preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements. We evaluate our estimates, including those related to allowance for doubtful accounts and unbilled services, goodwill, income taxes and contingencies on an ongoing basis. We base our estimates on current facts and circumstances, historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe are reasonable. These results form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. The accounting policies that reflect our more significant estimates, judgments and assumptions and which we believe are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results include the following:

- Revenue recognition
- Allowance for doubtful accounts and unbilled services
- Goodwill and other intangible assets
- Income taxes

There have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates from the information provided in "Critical Accounting Policies" in Part II, Item 7, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

On a quarterly basis, we monitor the key drivers of fair value to detect events or other changes that would warrant an interim impairment test of our goodwill and intangible assets. Factors we consider important that could trigger an interim impairment review include, but are not limited to, the following: significant underperformance relative to historical or projected future operating results; a significant change in the manner of our use of the acquired asset or strategy for our overall business; a significant negative industry or

economic trend; and our market capitalization relative to net book value. When we evaluate these factors and determine that a triggering event has occurred, we perform an interim impairment analysis.

As of October 1, 2016, the date of our last annual goodwill impairment test, the estimated fair value of each of our reporting units significantly exceeded their respective carrying values and no further testing was required. Through our quarterly assessment, we determined that there were no events or circumstances that more likely than not would reduce the fair value of any of our reporting units below their carrying value.

There can be no assurance that the estimates and assumptions used in our goodwill impairment testing will prove to be accurate predictions of the future. If our assumptions regarding forecasted cash flows are not achieved, we may be required to perform the two-step quantitative goodwill impairment analysis prior to our next annual impairment test. In addition, if the aforementioned factors have the effect of changing one of the critical assumptions or estimates we use to calculate the value of our goodwill or intangible assets, we may be required to record goodwill and/or intangible asset impairment charges in future periods, whether in connection with our next annual impairment test or if a triggering event occurs outside of the quarter during which the annual goodwill impairment test is performed. It is not possible at this time to determine if any future impairment charge would result or, if it does, whether such charge would be material.

SIGNIFICANT NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

See Note 3, "New Accounting Standards" in Part I, Item 1, of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash Flows

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
Cash flows		2017		2016
		(dollars in	thousa	ands)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	24,033	\$	111,575
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(28,876)	\$	(22,837)
Net cash used in financing activities	\$	(59,133)	\$	(6,346)
DSO		105		106

We have generally financed our day-to-day operations, capital expenditures and acquisitions through cash flows from operations. During the first quarter of our fiscal year, our cash needs generally exceed our cash flows from operations due to the payment of annual incentive compensation. Our operating cash flows are generally positive subsequent to the first quarter of each year.

Our operating assets and liabilities consist primarily of billed and unbilled accounts receivable, notes receivable from employees, accounts payable, accrued expenses and accrued compensation expenses. The timing of billings and collections of receivables, as well as compensation and vendor payments, affect the changes in these balances.

DSO is a performance measure used to assess how quickly revenues are collected by the Company. We calculate DSO at the end of each reporting period by dividing net accounts receivable reduced by billings in excess of services provided, by revenues for the quarter, adjusted for changes in foreign exchange rates. We multiply the result by the number of days in the quarter.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016

Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$24.0 million compared with \$111.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to lower cash collections as a result of lower revenues and increased compensation and severance payments partially offset by lower income tax payments and timing of operating expense payments.

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$28.9 million compared with \$22.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Cash payment for the acquisition completed in the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$8.9 million. Capital expenditures were \$20.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared with \$22.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.



Net cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$59.1 million compared with \$6.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Cash used in financing activities in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 included payments of \$155.3 million used to settle repurchases of our common stock, which included \$95.0 million of net borrowings under our Senior Bank Credit Facility and \$3.6 million of refundable deposits related to one of our foreign entities. Our financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 included a \$25.0 million repayment of borrowings under our Senior Bank Credit Facility and payments in a total amount of \$2.9 million to settle repurchases of our common stock, partially offset by \$18.4 million in cash received from the issuance of common stock under our equity compensation plan and the receipt of \$2.8 million of refundable deposits related to one of our foreign entities.

Capital Resources

As of September 30, 2017, our capital resources included \$158.0 million of cash and cash equivalents and available borrowing capacity of \$384.3 million under our Senior Bank Credit Facility. As of September 30, 2017, we had \$165.0 million of borrowing outstanding under our Senior Bank Credit Facility and \$0.7 million of outstanding letters of credit, which reduced the availability of borrowings. We primarily use letters of credit in lieu of security deposits for our leased office facilities.

Future Capital Needs

We anticipate that our future capital needs will principally consist of funds required for:

- operating and general corporate expenses relating to the operation of our businesses;
- capital expenditures, primarily for information technology equipment, office furniture and leasehold improvements;
- debt service requirements, including interest payments on our long-term debt;
- compensating designated executive management and senior managing directors under our various long-term incentive compensation programs;
- discretionary funding of the Stock Repurchase Program;
- contingent obligations related to our acquisitions;
- potential acquisitions of businesses
- other known future contractual obligations.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we spent \$20.0 million in capital expenditures to support our organization, including direct support for specific client engagements. We expect to make additional capital expenditures in an aggregate amount between \$5 million and \$12 million for the remainder of 2017. Our estimate takes into consideration the needs of our existing businesses but does not include the impact of any purchases that we may be required to make as a result of future acquisitions or specific client engagements that are not currently contemplated. Our capital expenditure requirements may change if our staffing levels or technology needs change significantly from what we currently anticipate, if we are required to purchase additional equipment specifically to support new client engagements or for their purposes or if we pursue and complete additional acquisitions.

Our cash flows from operations have historically exceeded our cash needs for capital expenditures and debt service requirements. We believe that our cash flows from operations, supplemented by borrowings under our Senior Bank Credit Facility, as necessary, will provide adequate cash to fund our long-term cash needs from normal operations for the next 12 months or longer.

Our conclusion that we will be able to fund our cash requirements by using existing capital resources and cash generated from operations does not take into account the impact of any unanticipated capital expenditures, future acquisitions, unexpected significant changes in numbers of employees or other unanticipated uses of cash. The anticipated cash needs of our businesses could change significantly if we pursue and complete additional business acquisitions, if our business plans change, if economic conditions change from those currently prevailing or from those now anticipated, or if other unexpected circumstances arise that may have a material effect on the cash flow or profitability of our businesses, including material negative changes in the operating performance or financial results of our businesses. Any of these events or circumstances, including any new business opportunities, could involve significant additional funding needs in excess of the identified currently available sources and could require us to raise additional debt or equity funding to meet those needs. Our ability to raise additional capital, if necessary, is subject to a variety of factors that we cannot predict with certainty, including:

- our future profitability;
- the quality of our accounts receivable;



- our relative levels of debt and equity;
- the volatility and overall condition of the capital markets; and
- the market prices of our securities.

Any new debt funding, if available, may be on terms less favorable to us than our Senior Bank Credit Facility or the Indenture that governs our senior notes due 2022. See "Forward-Looking Statements" of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and "Risk Factors" previously disclosed in Part II, Item 1A, of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017, filed with the SEC on July 27, 2017.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements, other than operating leases, and we have not entered into any transactions involving unconsolidated subsidiaries or special purpose entities.

Future Contractual Obligations

There have been no significant changes in our future contractual obligations as disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), that involve uncertainties and risks. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning our plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events, future revenues, future results and performance, future capital allocations and expenditures, expectations, plans or intentions relating to acquisitions, share repurchases and other matters, business trends and other information that is not historical. Forward-looking statements often contain words such as "*estimates*," "*expects*," "*anticipates*," "*projects*," "*plans*," "*intends*," "*believes*," "*forecasts*" and variations of such words or similar expressions. All forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, management's financial guidance and examination of operating trends, are based upon our historical performance and our current plans, estimates and expectations at the time we make them and various assumptions. There can be no assurance that management's expectations, beliefs and projections will result or be achieved. Our actual financial results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, any forward-looking statements. The inclusion of any forward-looking information should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that the future plans, estimates or expectations contemplated by us will be achieved. Given these risks, uncertainties and other factors, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements.

There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in, or implied by, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q include those set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" in Part II, Item 1A, of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 filed with the SEC. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q include, but are not limited to, the following:

- changes in demand for our services;
- our ability to attract and retain qualified professionals and senior management;
- conflicts resulting in our inability to represent certain clients;
- our former employees joining or forming competing businesses;
- our ability to manage our professionals' utilization and billing rates and maintain or increase the pricing of our services and products;
- our ability to identify suitable acquisition candidates, negotiate favorable terms, take advantage of opportunistic acquisition situations and integrate the operations of acquisitions as well as the costs of integration;
- our ability to adapt to and manage the risks associated with operating in non-U.S. markets;
- our ability to replace key personnel, including former executives, officers, senior managers and practice and regional leaders who have highly specialized skills and experience;



- our ability to protect the confidentiality of internal and client data and proprietary and confidential information;
- legislation or judicial rulings, including rulings regarding data privacy and the discovery process;
- periodic fluctuations in revenues, operating income and cash flows;
- damage to our reputation as a result of claims involving the quality of our services;
- fee discounting or renegotiation, lower pricing, less advantageous contract terms and unexpected terminations of client engagements;
- competition for clients and key personnel;
- general economic factors, industry trends, restructuring and bankruptcy rates, legal or regulatory requirements, capital market conditions, merger and acquisition activity, major litigation activity and other events outside of our control;
- our ability to manage growth;
- risk of non-payment of receivables;
- the amount and terms of our outstanding indebtedness;
- headcount and cost reductions during periods of reduced demand;
- risks relating to the obsolescence of or the protection of our proprietary software products, intellectual property rights, and trade secrets;
- foreign currency disruptions and currency fluctuations between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies; and
- fluctuations in the mix of our services and the geographic locations in which our clients are located or our services are rendered.

There may be other factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf apply only as of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included herein. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances and do not intend to do so.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

For information regarding our exposure to certain market risks see "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" in Part II, Item 7A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC. There have been no significant changes in our market risk exposure during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act), as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q was made under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. Based upon this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (a) were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported and (b) included, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting. There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2017 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time in the ordinary course of business, we are subject to claims, asserted or unasserted, or named as a party to lawsuits or investigations. Litigation, in general, and intellectual property and securities litigation in particular, can be expensive and disruptive to normal business operations. Moreover, the results of legal proceedings cannot be predicted with any certainty and in the case of more complex legal proceedings such as intellectual property and securities litigation, the results are difficult to predict at all. We are not aware of any asserted or unasserted legal proceedings or claims that we believe would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of our operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Part II, Item 1A of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017, filed with the SEC on July 27, 2017, included amended and restated risk factors associated with our business, which included material changes to and supersedes the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 18, 2017. There has been no material change in any of the risk factors previously disclosed in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017. We may disclose changes to risk factors or disclose additional factors from time to time in our future filings with the SEC. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Unregistered sales of equity securities.

None.

Repurchases of our common stock.

The following table provides information with respect to purchases we made of our common stock during the three months ended September 30, 2017:

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program (4)	Approximate Dollar Value that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program	
	(in thousands, except per share data)				
July 1 through July 31, 2017	114 (1)	\$ 33.04	86 (5)\$ 76,060	
August 1 through August 31, 2017	1,353 (2)	\$ 32.88	1,351 (6	\$ 31,616	
September 1 through September 30, 2017	163 (3)	\$ 33.79	162 (7	\$ 26,129	
Total	1,630		1,599		

(1) Includes 27,532 shares of common stock withheld to cover payroll tax withholdings related to the lapse of restrictions on restricted stock.

(2) Includes 2,250 shares of common stock withheld to cover payroll tax withholdings related to the lapse of restrictions on restricted stock.

(3) Includes 669 shares of common stock withheld to cover payroll tax withholdings related to the lapse of restrictions on restricted stock.

- (4) On June 2, 2016, our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program for up to \$100.0 million. On May 18, 2017, the Board of Directors authorized an additional \$100.0 million to repurchase shares of our common stock for an aggregate stock repurchase authorization of \$200.0 million (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). During the three months ended September 30, 2017, we repurchased an aggregate of 1,599,400 shares of our outstanding common stock under the Stock Repurchase Program at an average repurchase price of \$32.98 per share for a total cost of approximately \$52.7 million.
- (5) During the month ended July 31, 2017, we repurchased and retired 86,500 shares of common stock, at an average per share price of \$32.83, for an aggregate cost of \$2.8 million.



- (6) During the month ended August 31, 2017, we repurchased and retired 1,350,700 shares of common stock, at an average per share price of \$32.88, for an aggregate cost of \$44.4 million.
- (7) During the month ended September 30, 2017, we repurchased and retired 162,200 shares of common stock, at an average per share price of \$33.81, for an aggregate cost of \$5.5 million.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Articles of Incorporation of FTI Consulting, Inc., as amended and restated. (Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 23, 2003 as an exhibit to FTI Consulting, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 21, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference.)
3.2	Articles of Amendment of FTI Consulting, Inc. (Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 2, 2011 as an exhibit to FTI Consulting, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 1, 2011 and incorporated herein by reference.)
3.3	Bylaws of FTI Consulting, Inc., as amended and restated on June 1, 2011. (Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 2, 2011 as an exhibit to FTI Consulting, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 1, 2011 and incorporated herein by reference.)
3.4	Amendment No. 1 to Bylaws of FTI Consulting, Inc. (Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 16, 2013 as an exhibit to FTI Consulting, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 13, 2013 and incorporated herein by reference.)
3.5	Amendment No. 2 to Amended and Restated Bylaws of FTI Consulting, Inc. (Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 22, 2014 as an exhibit to FTI Consulting, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 17, 2014 and incorporated herein by reference.)
31.1†	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15D-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002).
31.2†	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15D-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002).
32.1†**	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002).
32.2†**	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002).
101	The following financial information from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of FTI Consulting, Inc., included herewith, and formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016; (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016; (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017; (iv) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016; (iii) Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text.

† Filed herewith.

** This certification is deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 26, 2017

FTI CONSULTING, INC.

By:

/s/ Catherine M. Freeman

Catherine M. Freeman Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (principal accounting officer)

Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

I, Steven H. Gunby, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of FTI Consulting, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 26, 2017

By:

/S/ STEVEN H. GUNBY

Steven H. Gunby President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)

Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

I, Ajay Sabherwal, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of FTI Consulting, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 26, 2017

By:

/S/ AJAY SABHERWAL

Ajay Sabherwal Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)

Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

In connection with the Quarterly Report of FTI Consulting, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Steven H. Gunby, President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

- 1. the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2. the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 26, 2017

By:

/s/ STEVEN H. GUNBY

Steven H. Gunby President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

In connection with the Quarterly Report of FTI Consulting, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Ajay Sabherwal, Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer) of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

1. the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

2. the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

By:

Date: October 26, 2017

/s/ AJAY SABHERWAL

Ajay Sabherwal Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.