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Mark Gross is the President of Surry Investment Advisors, LLC, an industry advisory firm performing the following activities:

- Advising grocery retailers with respect to strategic issues including, but not limited to mergers, acquisitions and divestitures.
- Advising private equity firms with respect to transactions in the food retail, distribution and consumer packaged goods sectors.
- Serving as Chairman of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in numerous large grocery retail cases.

Mr. Gross was with C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc., from 1997 – 2006. He served as Co-President of C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. and President of GU Markets/Southern Family Markets and President of GU Markets/Southern Family Markets. C&S Wholesale Grocers (“C&S”) with \$20+ billion in annual sales, is the seventh largest private company in the United States, as ranked by Forbes magazine. Mr. Gross, along with the Company’s chairman, Rick Cohen, was responsible for growing C&S from \$3 billion in sales in 1997 to \$20 billion. Mr. Gross was a member of C&S’s Board of Directors since joining the Company. Prior to becoming Co-President, he was the Company’s Chief Financial Officer; he joined the Company as its Senior Vice President and General Counsel in 1997.

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