

# **WP&C Merger Integration Support for Private Equity**

WP&C provides clients *fit-for-purpose* approaches to Pre- and Post-Merger Integration (PMI) to **de-risk**, **accelerate**, and **maximize value creation** 



"You'll always be an indelible part of our growth story, thank you!"

—SVP Corp Development, Healthcare Services Platform



# **About Wilson Perumal & Company**

A boutique strategy and operations consultancy with a strong track record partnering with private equity and hedge funds, the US military, and large multinational enterprises

### A UNIQUE FOCUS ON COMPLEXITY

Helping clients address complexity to create value and better compete in a complex world

### SUPPORT ACROSS THE PORTFOLIO COMPANY LIFECYCLE

Supporting diligence, merger integration, and enterprise improvement

### VALUE PROPOSITION WELL SUITED TO PE

A strong bias on value identification and execution of improvements to put "points on the board" quickly

#### IMPACTFUL RESULTS

Typically, 20–40% EBITDA lift in 12–18 months

#### UNIQUE IP AND METHODOLOGIES

2 books and proprietary capabilities e.g., square root costing, optimal batch-sizing, human & org performance

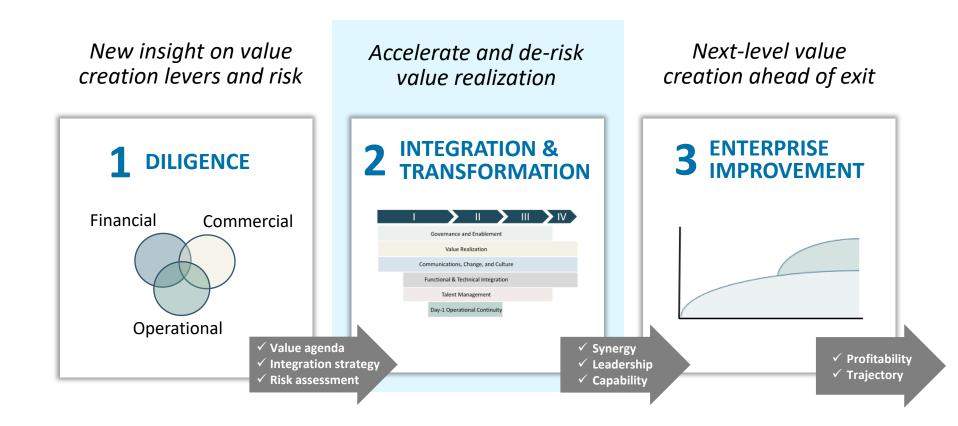
### EXPERIENCED TEAM

Agile thinkers that have "been there". Consultants and managers with top-tier MBAs and 5+ years of industry experience that are focused on insight, practical, and easy to work with

### HIGH FREQUENCY PROJECTS

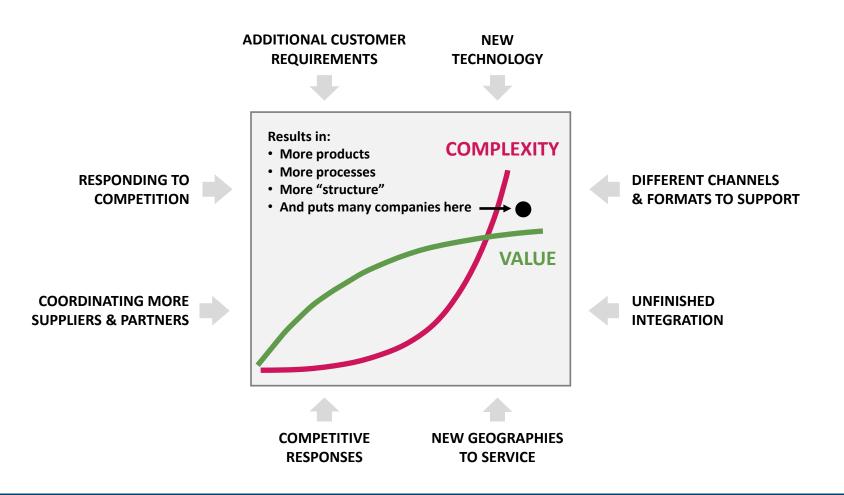
Include: transformation (ops, org, operating model), customer & product profitability optimization, cost reduction/profit improvement, diligence & merger support

# Integration is one of 3 areas of PE support WP&C provides across the deal life cycle



We bring best-in-breed tools, approaches, and cycles of experience to help de-risk your deal value realization

# Most companies are overwhelmed by complexity—mergers and acquisition magnify the challenge!

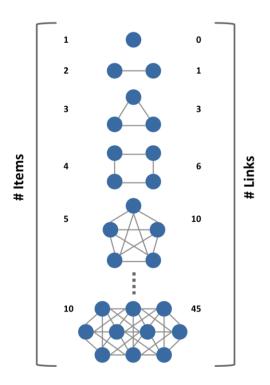


Complexity diminishes scale—incomplete and/or inadequate integration is a key driver of complexity

# High complexity equals high costs, slow growth and inertia—dampening synergy and longer-term value accretion

## **INERTIA** 1

More 'things' and interconnections to consider

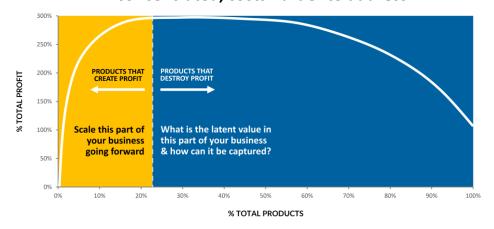


100 ITEMS = ~5,000 LINKS

As the number of links increase, the harder it is to execute

## **PROFIT & COST VISIBILITY \**

As the portfolio expands, profit becomes more concentrated, costs harder to address





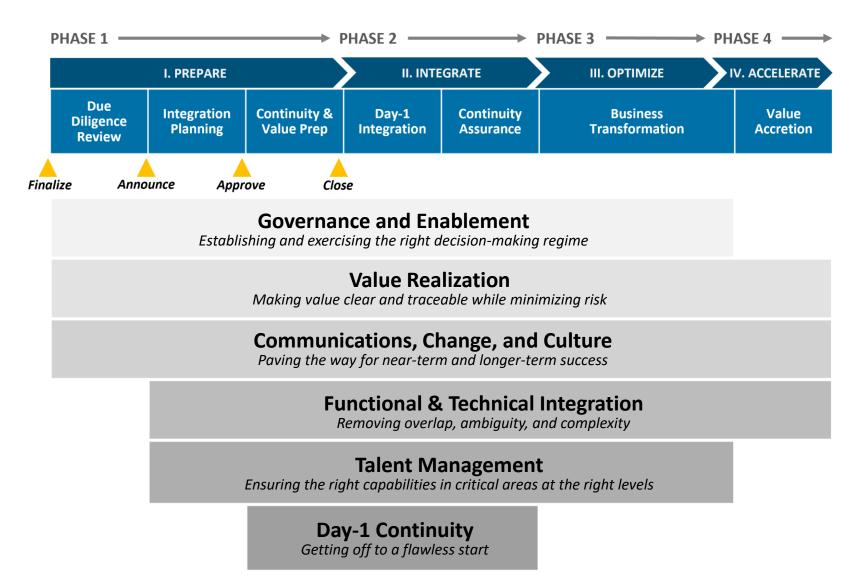
# Our POV and experience shapes our approach

## **MERGER INTEGRATION PRINCIPLES**

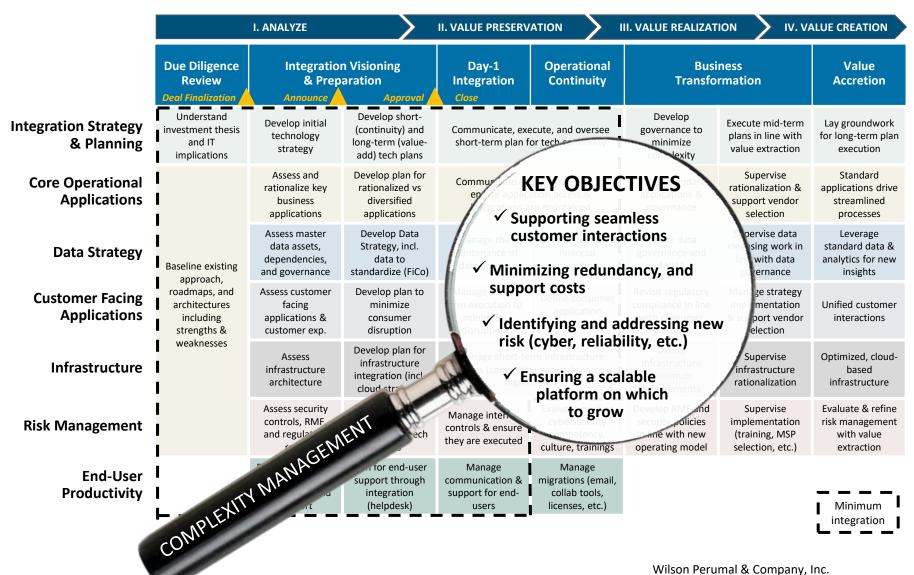
- 1 Start early; identify critical paths to synergy and day 1 continuity ASAP
- Take a rigorous but fit-for-purpose approach based on need\*
- **Quickly remove ambiguity** of future-state op model and desired outcomes
- 4 Don't get more complex; **simplify and standardize** all you can
- **Take culture seriously**; formally assess and address proactively
- Focus as much or more so on **integrating management processes** before value stream processes
- **Over communicate**—employees, customers, and partners

<sup>\*</sup>As defined by value at stake, capacity, and/or risk

# We tailor our proven, holistic approach to each project—based on deal goals, targets, resources, and needs



# Technology integration ensuring day 1-readiness and downstream value capture



# Proven, differentiated method & tools to accelerate value

# FOUNDATIONAL



## Integration Playbook (Functional / Technology)

By function, step-by-step plays to run to ensure continuity and value



Value Realization Approach & Templates

Value identification and tracking with clear link to operational metrics



Comms and Change Strategy & Management

Proven means for getting ahead of resistance, apathy, and subversion



Project Management Tools and Templates

Structures, processes, templates and cadence to keep on track

# **DIFFERENTIATED**



## Lean Operating and Organization Design

6-step approaches to ensure robust, lean designs and downstream execution



## Culture Measurement and Alignment

Unique ways to measure and practically address cultural differences that will hinder value creation



## Process Simplification, Automation & Outsourcing

Lean toolset combined with complexity lens and technology know-how



## **Profitability Optimization Playbook**

Unique view of profitability across the offering portfolio for targeted, high confidence actioning



## **Management System Integration**

7 element framework and experience to ensure one way of managing the business

# To ensure and accelerate results, we bring our WP&C Integration Playbook

### **MERGER INTEGRATION PLAYBOOK**

### Introduction

- a) Playbook Purpose
- b) Playbook Scope
- c) Integration Vision & strategy

### **Post-Merger Integration Process Overview**

- a) Acquisition Integration Strategy
- b) Integration Phase Overview
- c) Key Roles
- d) Scoping the PMI Plan
- e) Establishing & Running an IMO
- f) Guiding Principles for Integration

### **Phase 1: Integration Preparation**

- a) Operational Due Diligence
- b) PMI Planning

**Phase 2: Operational Continuity** 

**Phase 3: Key Issue Resolution** 

**Phase 4: Initiate Key Synergies** 

**Phase 5: Adopt Standards** 

### **Integration Management Office (IMO) Detail**

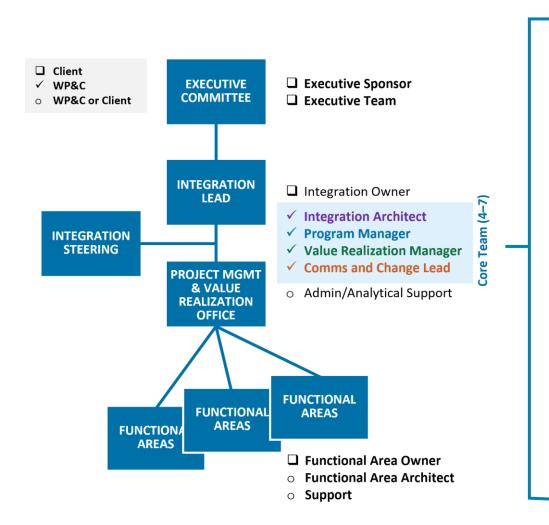
- a) IMO Objectives & Methodologies
- b) Roles & Responsibilities
- c) Process Overview
- d) IMO Tools
- e) Post-Integration Review

### **Integration Focus Area**

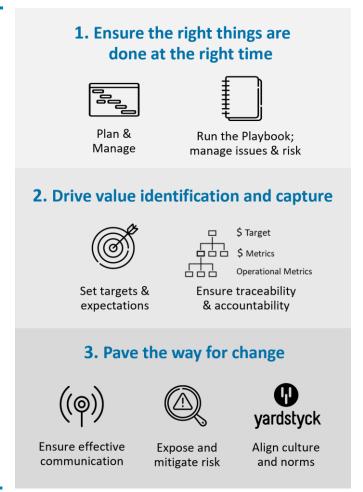
- a) Communications
- b) Human Resources
- c) Target Leadership Transition
- d) Finance & Accounting
- e) IT and ERP
- f) Sales, Marketing & Business Management
- g) Supply Chain (Operations, Production Planning, Logistics, Customer Service)
- h) Regulatory
- i) Legal
- j) Insurance
- k) Real Estate
- I) Quality
- m) Environment, Health & Safety
- n) IP & Trademarks

# At the center of support is our core team focused on cost, risk, and issue resolution

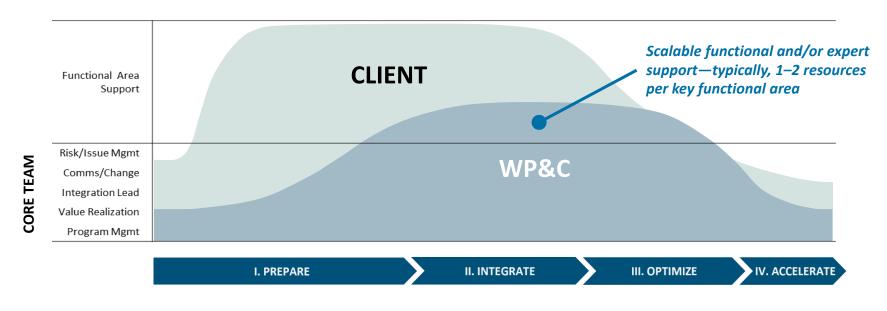
### TYPICAL PROGRAM STRUCTURE



### **CORE TEAM FOCUS**



# We scale support based on the value capture, risk, resource capacity, and timing required to be successful





- Partners/managers: 15+ years of industry and consulting experience
- Consultants: 5+ years of demonstrated success in industry roles
- MBA or MS degrees from top tier schools
- Service-oriented, practical, easy to work with

"The level of talent and capability of the name-brand strategy firms with the great working relationship, partner engagement, and level of personal commitment you can only get with a smaller firm. WP&C is the best of both worlds."

—Dave Hoogmoed, Former President, Land O'Lakes. Current Operating Partner AGR Partners

# Our experience integrating acquisitions and organizations ranges from small to large and across industries



WP&C guided an international mining and engineered solutions firm through the integration of a carve-out, with a laser focus on Day 1 business continuity. **The WP&C team led the IMO, set the target operating model for 18 functional areas, and drove key issue resolution/risk mitigation** (such as workforce integration, footprint optimization, and safety/regulatory compliance).



After stabilizing and improving operations to begin realizing an additional \$2M in profitability, the WP&C worked with corporate development leadership to plan, execute, and support the integration of five fold-ins. Developing a new PMI playbook for future acquisitions, the team filled integration lead, program management, and functional support roles over an 8-week period that culminated soon after with a successful recapitalization of the business.



A large mid-continent refinery that grew via acquisition to five refineries across the US finally committed to integrate management systems and operating culture to achieve unmet EBITDA expectations. **WP&C** worked across refineries to build common management system and to define, as well as roll-out, a new culture of high reliability. Over the course of a year, the new expectations were driven from top to bottom, role by role. The CEO credited an additional \$200M of EBITDA directly to the change.



WP&C worked with seven major US Army organizations, each ranging from 15,000 to 75,000 employees, to align and integrate on a new single responsible party for resourcing, managing, and executing global support services for base operations. With key stakeholders and governing policies, the team inventoried and defined over 3,500 task-level requirements and to determine future state organizational roles and responsibility as well as plan for moving forward.



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Book: Growth in the Age of Complexity

