FBT Gibbons Represents dormakaba in Acquisition of Azure Access Technology and Apollo Security

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FBT Gibbons represented dormakaba Group, a leading global provider in the access solutions market, in its **acquisition** of the operating businesses of Azure Access Technology Inc. (Azure), a supplier of innovative, adaptable electronic access control hardware, and ADME, Inc. (Apollo Security), a leader in the development and manufacturing of access control and integrated security systems.

The Azure Access and Apollo Security acquisition expands dormakaba's position in the U.S. access control solutions market and advances its strategy of offering individual access-control components, including locks, readers, and controllers, to original equipment manufacturer partners. The transaction was signed and closed Aug. 14, 2026.

Founded in 2019 and based in Newport Beach, California, Azure Access develops next-generation electronic access control hardware for the U.S. commercial market. Its open-architecture controller platform enables software providers and other partners to integrate, customize, and deploy their own access-control solutions. Apollo Security, also based in Newport Beach, develops and manufactures access-control and integrated security systems. Together, the businesses employ approximately 30 people and serve access-control companies worldwide.

The FBT Gibbons team that represented dormakaba was led by **Clarissa Walstrom**, with support from **Amy Wilson**, **Robert E. Hudson**, **Ricardo Morales**, **Sean Driscoll**, **Brandon Rainey**, **Emily Cheng**, **Matt Schantz**, **Kaitlin Hizny**, **Megan Dollenmeyer**, **Chris Kahn**, **Micah Schrand**, **Adriana Conway**, **Michelle Xu**, **Zachary Mills** , **Jan de Beer**, **Ted Bacon**, **Carl Lammers**, and **Pat Northam**.

The transaction builds on FBT Gibbons' ongoing work with dormakaba. The firm also represented dormakaba in its **agreement to acquire Avant Garde Systems Inc.**, a transaction that expanded

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the company's turnkey access automation capabilities and further strengthened its presence in North America.

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