



**ALJ Regional Holdings, Inc.**  
**(NASDAQ:ALJJ)**

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# Executive summary



- ▲ ALJ's three operating businesses were all deemed "essential services" and have operated with limited disruption through COVID-19
- ▲ ALJ Regional Holdings, Inc. (ALJ) recently announced Q3 2020 results that showed a year over year improvement and beat market expectations (for revenue and adjusted EBITDA)
- ▲ Quarterly EBITDA was up year over year by \$2.0 million, an increase of 38.5%
  - ▲ Expect Fiscal Q4 2020 Adjusted EBITDA to be at or above prior year comparable period
  - ▲ Anticipate full year Fiscal 2021 Adjusted EBITDA to be higher than Fiscal 2020 Adjusted EBITDA
- ▲ Transformation of operations at each subsidiary is ongoing and increased earnings will allow ALJ flexibility to employ strategic levers
- ▲ In FY2021, management plans to increase free cash flow by:
  - ▲ Continue to optimize contracts at its call center operation, Faneuil, and continue to improve Adjusted EBITDA performance
  - ▲ Build on existing supply relationships at its book component manufacturer, Phoenix Color, to unlock value for both customers and ALJ
  - ▲ Further diversify the business through acquisitions which management believes will lead to multiple expansion
  - ▲ Complete a strategic review of financing options and reduce financing expenses
  - ▲ Utilize the Net Operating Loss balance for tax benefits
- ▲ As EBITDA and free cash flow continue to increase, both organically and through acquisition, management believes both the investor base and our trading multiple will expand, allowing ALJ to unlock its intrinsic value
- ▲ Management believes ALJ's current valuation is not representative of its intrinsic value or its growth potential

# ALJ background



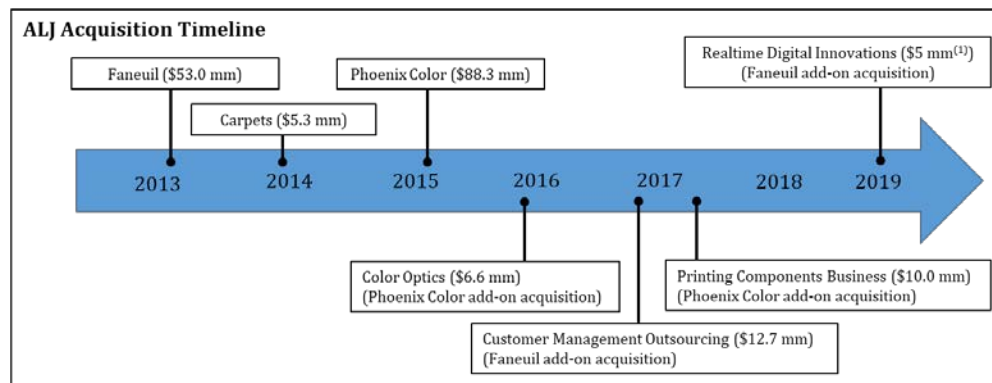
- ALJ was transformed by Jess Ravich, Executive Chairman and CEO, into an acquisition vehicle with significant tax advantages
  - ALJ has net operating losses of \$138.1mm as of end of FY2019, with the vast majority not expiring until 2022

## Acquisition Strategy:

- Acquire core businesses operated by existing management teams
- Strengthen and expand existing businesses to create additional free cash flow
- Create value for shareholders

## Current Subsidiary Acquisition History:

- Acquired three core businesses between 2013 and 2015 for approximately \$150 million
- Acquired three add-on businesses between 2016 and 2017 for approximately \$30 million
- Acquired an additional add-on business in 2019 for approximately \$5 million<sup>(1)</sup>



## Prior Acquisition History:

- In March 2005, ALJJ<sup>(2)</sup> bought Kentucky Electric Steel (KES) for \$65 million
- In February 2013, ALJJ sold KES to Optima Specialty Steel for \$114.4 million in cash with tax shielded by its NOLs
  - ALJ realized a profit of approximately \$60 million after considering cash flows and repayments of debt
- ALJJ shares went from ~\$0.40 (immediately before announcement) to ~\$0.80 post sale of KES

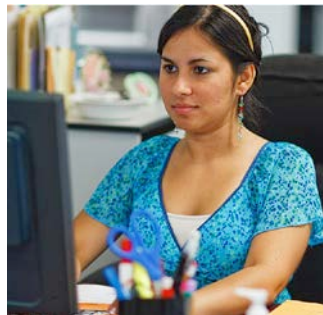
4 Notes: (1) Initial payment of \$2.5m, guaranteed total payments of \$5m, with additional earn-outs of \$5m (maximum total price of \$10m). (2) Purchase was for 80.1% of KES stock under ALJ's previous trading name of Youthstream Media Networks Inc and included taking on existing KES debt

# Operating businesses



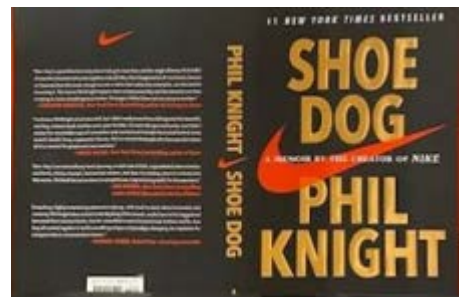
## Faneuil

- ▲ FY2019 sales=\$197mm, LTM<sup>(1)</sup> sales=\$229mm
- ▲ Faneuil is a leading provider of call center services, back office operations and multi channel customer care
- ▲ Industry verticals include: Healthcare, Transportation and Utilities
- ▲ Has over 6,500 employees and 15 contact centers
- ▲ Has a total backlog of \$642mm<sup>(2)</sup>
- ▲ Faneuil is in a position to leverage its excess capacity built out in 2019 to implement newly won contracts, and to continue to win more contracts
- ▲ Realtime Digital Innovations (RDI) was acquired in 2019 to help Faneuil transition to workflow automation and business intelligence services



## Phoenix Color

- ▲ FY2019 sales=\$109mm, LTM<sup>(1)</sup> sales=\$100mm
- ▲ Phoenix Color is a leading manufacturer of value-added trade and education book covers, heavily illustrated books, labels and packaging
- ▲ Phoenix Color has industry leading finishing capacity for complex product decoration
- ▲ Phoenix Color is one of two major dedicated book cover manufacturers servicing the US publishing market
- ▲ Customer relationships with top trade and educational publishers are decades old and sales agreements are long dated
- ▲ Has a total backlog of \$303mm<sup>(2)</sup>



## Carpets

- ▲ FY2019 sales=\$49mm, LTM<sup>(1)</sup> sales=\$40mm
- ▲ Carpets is a leading retailer of floor coverings, cabinets and countertops in Las Vegas, Nevada
- ▲ Provides a full suite of products for the largest US home builders, general contractors and also through its retail outlet
- ▲ Carpets provides an end to end suite of covering products with a high level of customer service
- ▲ Highly skilled labor force
- ▲ Operates a stone and solid surface fabrication facility to provide the highest product quality and service



# ALJ overview



## ALJ is the parent company of the following subsidiaries:

- Faneuil, Inc. (Faneuil), Phoenix Color Corp. (Phoenix Color) and Floors -N-More / Carpets N' More (Carpets)



## ALJ Financial Overview<sup>(3)</sup>

\$mm, except per share

Stock Price (08/18/2020)	\$ 1.01
Fully Diluted Shares	42.2
Market capitalization	\$ 42.6
Long Term Debt	96.0
Capital Lease	6.1
Equipment Financing	4.1
Total Debt	106.2
Total Cash	7.4
Total Net Debt	98.8
Enterprise Value	\$ 141.4

EV:EBITDA (LTM)<sup>(2)</sup> 6.9x

Net Operating Loss Carryforward<sup>(4)</sup> \$ 138.1

CEO Beneficial Ownership 49.7%

Average Daily Volume (ADV)<sup>(5)</sup> 731k

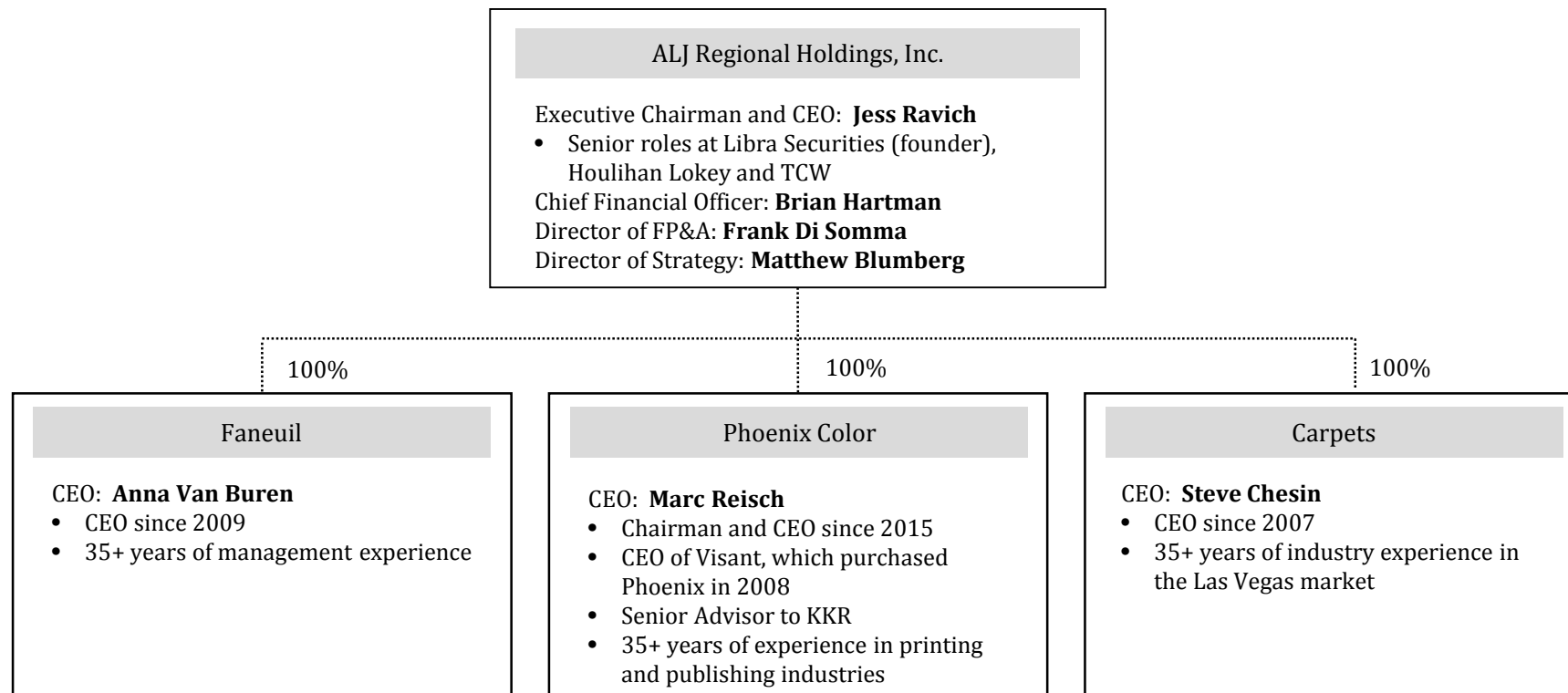
\$'000's; Fiscal Year Ending 9/30	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	LTM through		
					12/31/2019	03/30/2020	06/30/2020
Net Revenue							
Faneuil	\$ 131,843	\$ 158,264	\$ 188,233	\$ 196,802	\$ 200,168	\$ 212,403	\$ 229,152
Phoenix Color	85,920	98,729	113,139	109,217	105,121	102,457	100,321
Carpets	50,606	69,725	68,404	48,978	46,391	44,850	41,364
Total	\$ 268,369	\$ 326,718	\$ 369,776	\$ 354,997	\$ 351,680	\$ 359,710	\$ 370,837
Segment Adjusted EBITDA (1):							
Faneuil	\$ 10,659	\$ 13,110	\$ 13,127	\$ 8,832	\$ 5,538	\$ 4,118	\$ 7,863
Phoenix Color	19,778	18,927	22,077	20,533	19,153	16,996	15,876
Carpets	698	1,290	453	1,557	1,319	1,101	660
Corporate	(2,348)	(2,326)	(2,553)	(3,224)	(3,559)	(3,793)	(3,987)
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (1)	\$ 28,787	\$ 31,001	\$ 33,104	\$ 27,698	\$ 22,451	\$ 18,422	\$ 20,412

6 Notes: (1) Adjusted measures are non-GAAP financial measures and should not be considered in isolation from, or a substitute for, Net Income, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. See Appendix for reconciliation of non-GAAP to GAAP figures (2) LTM = Last Twelve Months through 06/30/2020. (3) Company data as of Earnings Release for Q3 2020 for quarter ended 06/30/2020. (4) Net Operating Loss (NOL) Carryforward as of 09/30/2019. (5) ADV calculation based on last three months of trading and is an approximation

# Organizational structure



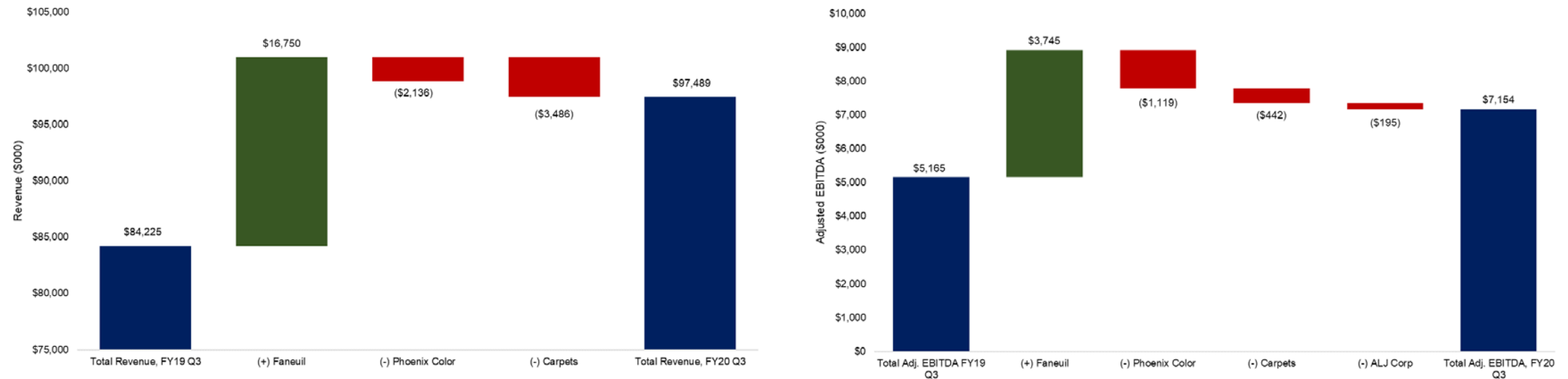
- ▲ Management of each subsidiary operates their respective business independently with the support of the ALJ organization
- ▲ CEO's of each of ALJ's businesses have decades of industry experience in their respective markets



# Fiscal Q3 results



- ALJ revenue and adjusted EBITDA of \$95.4 million and \$7.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2020 was up \$11.1 million (+13.2%) and \$2.0 million (+38.5%) compared to \$84.2 million and \$5.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019
  - Results improved due to the performance of Faneuil, which benefited from the addition of State unemployment contracts and the finalization of contract implementations
  - The focus at Faneuil was to shed unprofitable contracts and increase prices on existing contracts where appropriate, to generate EBITDA margins that are consistent with Faneuil's peer group (8%-10% Adjusted EBITDA margins)
  - Due largely to COVID-19 and uncertainty in the Education sector, Phoenix Color's performance was below where it was last year, but we are encouraged by the pickup in business activity as of mid-June
  - Our financial performance has allowed us to end the quarter with over \$22.0 million in liquidity<sup>(2)</sup>, which is nearly double our liquidity from this time last year





# ALJ acquisition growth strategy



- ▲ ALJ plans to acquire new businesses to diversify its current business mix
- ▲ There are over 3,000 public companies with less than \$30 million of EBITDA
  - ▲ The costs and complexities of being a public company keep rising
  - ▲ ALJ intends to provide a platform for companies to join in order to increase the value for shareholders of both ALJ and the companies it acquires
- ▲ ALJ plans to acquire US based companies with strong cash flow generation and stability, and an experienced management team
  - ▲ Industry agnostic
  - ▲ Needs to have sustainable competitive advantages
- ▲ Our value proposition includes attractive management incentives tied to target business performance and an ability for management to focus on the business, rather than be distracted by public market requirements
- ▲ Any target company will benefit from tax synergies through the use of ALJ's net operating loss
- ▲ We believe that as Adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow improve, ALJ will benefit from valuation multiple expansion and increased public float/trading liquidity

# Transaction economics



- ▲ We believe current valuations are not representative of the intrinsic value of ALJ or of its potential target acquisitions
- ▲ We are proposing a 7x transaction multiple used for both businesses (ALJ and Target) where we will use leverage equal to 3x Net Debt to EBITDA, and the remainder will be a stock for stock transaction

## Prospective Transaction Combination

	Target		ALJ	Pro Forma
	No Existing Leverage	Existing Leverage		
<b>Enterprise Value:</b>				
EBITDA (1)(2)	\$ 10.0	\$ 10.0	\$ 27.7	\$ 37.7
Valuation Multiple	7x	7x	7x	7x
Enterprise Value	\$ 70.0	\$ 70.0	\$ 193.9	\$ 263.9
Total Net Debt	-	(30.0)	(98.8)	(128.8)
Equity Value	\$ 70.0	\$ 40.0	\$ 95.1	\$ 135.1
<b>Leverage:</b>				
Current Total Net Debt	\$ 0.0	\$ 30.0	\$ 98.8	\$ 128.8
Current Total Net Debt / EBITDA	0.0x	3.0x	3.6x	3.4x
<b>Incremental Debt Capacity:</b>				
Target Leverage Ratio	3.0x	3.0x	3.0x	3.0x
Available Incremental Debt	\$ 30.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<b>Consideration Mix:</b>				
Cash	\$ 30.0	\$ 0.0	NM	NM
Equity	40.0	40.0	95.1	135.1
ProForma Equity %	30%	30%	70%	100%

### Notes:

NM - Not Meaningful.

(1) FY2019 Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (rounded)

(2) Excluding synergies.

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# Forward-Looking Statements and Non-GAAP Reconciliations

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# Appendix – GAAP Reconciliations



<i>\$'000's; Fiscal Year Ending 9/30</i>	FY 2017 Ending 9/30/17	FY 2018 Ending 9/30/18	FY 2019 Ending 9/30/19	LTM through 12/31/19	LTM through 3/30/20	LTM through 6/30/20
<b>Net Income (loss)</b>	<b>\$ 15,673</b>	<b>\$ (7,333)</b>	<b>\$ (15,979)</b>	<b>\$ (20,967)</b>	<b>\$ (83,188)</b>	<b>\$ (78,640)</b>
Depreciation and amortization	16,611	19,049	20,553	21,349	21,430	20,770
Interest expense	9,445	10,558	10,611	10,460	10,679	10,546
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(12,424)	4,299	10,006	9,758	8,259	4,847
Loan amendment fees	—	—	337	905	1,008	1,069
Impairment of intangible assets	—	—	746	746	59,793	59,793
Stock-based compensation	810	1,053	667	594	519	423
Restructuring expenses	275	2,566	239	431	574	1,440
Lease payments in anticipation of facility shutdown	—	—	556	408	408	408
Acquisition-related expenses	602	280	178	215	265	180
Change in fair value of contingent and deferred consideration	—	—	—	—	—	900
Bank fees accreted to term loan	—	—	—	—	—	300
Fair value of warrants issued in connection with loan amendments	—	—	—	—	122	122
Interest from legal settlement	—	—	—	(200)	(200)	(200)
Disposal of assets and other gain	8	(277)	(216)	9	9	(290)
Legal settlement	—	2,910	—	(1,256)	(1,256)	(1,256)
<b>Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 31,001</b>	<b>\$ 33,104</b>	<b>\$ 27,698</b>	<b>\$ 22,451</b>	<b>\$ 18,422</b>	<b>\$ 20,412</b>