

# **Ben Dower Joins Bluestone Investment Partners as Principal**

## **Experienced Industry Professional Enhances Corporate Strategy, Operational, and Transactional Expertise of the Bluestone Team**

Bluestone Investment Partners, LP ("Bluestone"), a McLean, Virginia-based private equity firm focused on investing in defense, intelligence and federal technology solutions providers, announced today Ben Dower joined the team as Principal.

Ben brings over 15 years of experience in corporate finance as an investment banker, strategy consultant, and in operational finance roles in the defense, technology, and cybersecurity sectors. Most recently, he served as Vice President of Finance at Cybrary, a cybersecurity workforce development platform, where he managed a broad portfolio of responsibilities and led the raising of over \$20 million in capital to fund the company's rapid growth. Previously Ben spent ten years focused on merger and acquisition transactions in the defense and government services sector at BB&T Capital Markets | Windsor Group and the Chertoff Group, advising on over one billion dollars in completed deal value. Ben also held corporate development positions at Endgame, a cybersecurity software company, and SAP NS2, the national security-focused subsidiary of SAP, in which he evaluated investment, acquisition, and partnership opportunities.

"We are delighted to have Ben join the Bluestone team," said John Allen, Managing Partner. "Ben and I worked together earlier in his career and have a long-standing relationship. His experience as a finance executive with a venture-backed cybersecurity firm and in the corporate development and investment banking arenas immediately expands Bluestone's capacity for making new investments. Bringing a talented resource like Ben into the firm will support Bluestone's continued growth."

Ben received a B.A. in International Studies with honors from John Hopkins University and an M.B.A. from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College.

### **About Bluestone Investment Partners**

Bluestone is a private equity firm investing exclusively in lower middle-market companies in the defense and government services arena. Bluestone's principals have a long and successful track record owning, operating, investing in, and advising companies in the defense and government services sector. [www.bluestoneinv.com](http://www.bluestoneinv.com).