



## THE PERSEUS BOOKS GROUP

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### **LEGATO PUBLISHERS GROUP SIGNS 20 FOUNDING PUBLISHERS**

**New York, NY (June 25, 2013)** —Legato Publishers Group, an affiliate of Publishers Group West, announced today the signing of 20 founding publishers.

The publishers are: Amherst Media; Aviation Supplies and Academics, Inc.; Bailiwick Press; BlueBridge Books; Bright Ring Publishing; Buffalo Media Works; Clavis Books; Duo Press; ECW Press; Findhorn Press; Nomad Press; Medallion Media Group; Our World of Books; Roaring Forties Press; Santa Monica Press; Search Press; Tachyon Publications; Trafalgar Square Books; Visible Ink Press; and Waterford Press, Inc.

“Legato will launch with some of the best independent publishers in the industry. These are sharp publishers with a strong future and I am delighted to be a part of it,” said Legato Publishers Group President, Mark Suchomel.

“We’re very excited about the new opportunities with Legato,” said ECW Press Co-Publisher David Caron. “Mark Suchomel and Jeff Tegge have already proved to be valuable partners with us in the development and marketing of our books. With the expert and multi-faceted team behind them at Perseus, we believe that we’ll not only have great sales, we’ll sell better books.”

“I like the name Legato. It’s an Italian musical phrase meaning *smooth and connected*. That’s what this team is about and it’s what we need from a distributor. Plus, Mark brings an honesty and integrity that’s important in business,” said Craig Alesse, Photo Book Publisher, Amherst Media, Inc.

“The fact that we are off to such a strong start with Legato is an undeniable testimony to the strength of the team and the service we have put together.” said Perseus COO Joe Mangan. “It’s very gratifying to be able to launch with such an impressive list of founding publishers.”

Perseus announced the formation of Legato Publishers Group last month. As previously reported, Legato is a boutique publisher services organization with the goal of building a client list of 30 to 40 publishers over the next two to three years.

Legato will begin selling and distributing books Buffalo Media Works immediately, followed by the remainder of the abovementioned publishers on January 1, 2014.

#### **ABOUT LEGATO PUBLISHERS GROUP**

Legato Publishers Group, a member of the Perseus Books Group and a PGW Affiliate, is a boutique publisher services organization focused on helping select independent publishers reach their potential through a unique set of highly attentive strategic, marketing, sales, and distribution services. Established in 2013, Legato is headquartered in Chicago, IL, with a distribution center located in Jackson, TN.

#### **ABOUT THE PERSEUS BOOKS GROUP**

**The Perseus Books Group** is an independent company committed to enabling independent book publishers to reach their potential, whether those publishers are Perseus-owned, joint ventures or owned by third parties. Perseus publishing imprints include Avalon Travel, Basic Books, Basic Civitas, Da Capo Press, Da Capo Lifelong Books, PublicAffairs, Running Press, Seal Press, and Westview Press, as well as partnerships with The Newsweek/Daily Beast Company, The Nation Institute, and The Weinstein Company. Through Consortium, Perseus Distribution, Publishers Group West, and Legato Publishers Group, as well as through its Constellation digital service offering which also supports Argo Navis Author Services and Faber Factory Powered by Constellation, the Perseus Books Group is the leading provider of sales, marketing, distribution, and digital services, serving nearly 400 independent publishers. For more information, visit our websites at [www.perseusbooks.com](http://www.perseusbooks.com), <http://www.constellationdigital.com/>.

#### **ABOUT PGW**

PGW, a member of the Perseus Books Group, is a one-stop solution for world English language sales and marketing for independent publishers. Established in 1976, PGW is headquartered in Berkeley, CA, with national and international sales offices in New York City and a distribution center located in Jackson, TN.

One of the top ten book vendors in the country, PGW represents more than 100 independent publishers, who together are publishing some of the most topical, innovative, literary, and award-winning books available today.

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