UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

October 29, 2024

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Huron Consulting Group Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-50976 (Commission File Number) 01-0666114 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

550 West Van Buren Street Chicago, Illinois

60607

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(312) 583-8700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

- □ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR
- 240.14d-2(b))
 □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | HURN | NASDAQ Global Select Market |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 29, 2024, Huron Consulting Group Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2024. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and the attached Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Exhibit Description |
|-------------------|--|
| 99.1 | Press release, dated October 29, 2024 |
| 101.INS | Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document |
| 101.SCH | Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document |
| 101.CAL | Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document |
| 101.LAB | Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document |
| 101.PRE | Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document |
| 101.DEF | Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document |
| 104 | Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101) |

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Huron Consulting Group Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: October 29, 2024

/s/ JOHN D. KELLY

John D. Kelly Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer





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Huron Announces Third Quarter 2024 Financial Results and Increases 2024 Earnings Guidance

THIRD QUARTER 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽¹⁾ increased \$11.9 million, or 3.3%, to \$370.0 million in Q3 2024 from \$358.2 million in Q3 2023.
- Net income increased \$5.6 million, or 26.2%, to \$27.1 million in Q3 2024, compared to \$21.5 million in Q3 2023.
- Adjusted EBITDA⁽⁹⁾, a non-GAAP measure, increased \$6.9 million, or 14.3%, to \$54.9 million in Q3 2024 from \$48.0 million in Q3 2023.
- Diluted earnings per share increased \$0.37, or 33.6%, to \$1.47 in Q3 2024, compared to \$1.10 in Q3 2023.
- Adjusted diluted earnings per share⁽⁹⁾, a non-GAAP measure, increased \$0.29, or 20.9%, to \$1.68 in Q3 2024 from \$1.39 in Q3 2023.
- Net cash provided by operating activities was \$85.2 million in Q3 2024, compared to \$68.8 million in Q3 2023.

YEAR-TO-DATE 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽¹⁾ increased \$74.8 million, or 7.3%, to \$1.10 billion for the first nine months of 2024 from \$1.02 billion for the same prior year period.
- Net income increased \$23.0 million, or 38.5%, to \$82.6 million for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$59.6 million for the same prior year period. Results for the first nine months of 2024 include an \$11.1 million litigation settlement gain, net of tax, related to a completed legal matter in which Huron was the plaintiff.
- Adjusted EBITDA⁽⁹⁾, a non-GAAP measure, increased \$18.4 million, or 14.6%, to \$144.4 million for the first nine months of 2024 from \$126.0 million for the same prior year period.
- Diluted earnings per share increased \$1.38, or 45.2%, to \$4.43 for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$3.05 for the same prior year period. Results for the first nine months of 2024 include the litigation settlement gain related to a completed legal matter in which Huron was the plaintiff, which had a favorable \$0.59 impact on diluted earnings per share for the period.
- Adjusted diluted earnings per share⁽⁹⁾, a non-GAAP measure, increased \$0.93, or 25.5%, to \$4.57 for the first nine months of 2024 from \$3.64 for the same prior year period.

⁽¹⁾ In the third quarter of 2024, the Company revised the line item descriptions of revenues to rename revenues as revenues before reimbursable expenses and to rename total revenues and reimbursable expenses as total revenues. The change in line item description had no impact on the line item totals for any period.



- Huron returned \$104.0 million to shareholders by repurchasing 1.1 million shares of the company's common stock in the first nine months of 2024, representing 5.8% of the company's common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2023.
- Huron narrowed the range of expected revenues before reimbursable expenses to \$1.47 billion to \$1.49 billion while maintaining its
 previous midpoint of guidance; and increased its adjusted diluted earnings per share⁽⁹⁾ expectations to a range of \$6.00 to \$6.20.

CHICAGO - Oct 29, 2024 - Global professional services firm Huron (NASDAQ: HURN) today announced financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2024.

"Revenue growth in the third quarter of 2024 was 3%, which was achieved in light of the strong growth achieved across all three operating segments in the same period a year ago. Our Healthcare and Education segments have grown over each comparative quarter since the first quarter of 2021, and in the third quarter of 2024, our Commercial segment achieved strong sequential growth over the second quarter of 2024," said <u>Mark Hussey</u>, chief executive officer and president of <u>Huron</u>. "We continue to execute against our margin enhancement initiatives, which produced strong third quarter and year-to-date margin percentage and earnings per share expansion."

"Strong sales conversion across all three operating segments in the third quarter positions us well to deliver on our annual revenue and earnings guidance while laying the foundation for continued solid growth in 2025," added <u>Hussey</u>.

THIRD QUARTER 2024 RESULTS

Revenues before reimbursable expenses increased \$11.9 million, or 3.3%, to \$370.0 million for the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$358.2 million for the third quarter of 2023. The increase in revenues before reimbursable expenses was driven by an increase in demand for Education's Consulting and Managed Services and Digital capabilities, as well as continued strength in demand for Healthcare's Digital capability, reflecting the company's focus on accelerating growth in the healthcare and education industries. These increases in demand were partially offset by a decrease in demand for Commercial's Consulting and Managed Services capability.

Net income increased \$5.6 million, or 26.2%, to \$27.1 million, or 7.2% of total revenues, for the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$21.5 million, or 5.9% of total revenues, for the same quarter last year. Diluted earnings per share increased \$0.37, or 33.6%, to \$1.47 for the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$1.10 for the third quarter of 2023.

Third quarter 2024 earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA")⁽⁹⁾ increased \$8.3 million, or 19.4%, to \$50.9 million, compared to \$42.6 million in the same prior year period.

In addition to using EBITDA to evaluate the company's financial performance, management uses other non-GAAP financial measures, which exclude the effect of the following items (in thousands).

| | Three Mon Septem | |
|--|---------------------|---------------|
| | 2024 | 2023 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | \$ 1,600 | \$ 1,997 |
| Restructuring charges | \$ 3,137 | \$ 5,402 |
| Other gains, net | \$ (173) | \$ (14) |
| Transaction-related expenses | \$ 716 | \$ 302 |
| Tax effect of adjustments | \$ (1,372) | \$ (2,037) |
| Foreign currency transaction losses (gains), net | \$ 267 | \$ (332) |

Adjusted EBITDA⁽⁹⁾ increased \$6.9 million, or 14.3%, to \$54.9 million, or 14.8% of revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽⁹⁾, in the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$48.0 million, or 13.4% of revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽⁹⁾, in the same quarter last year. Adjusted net income⁽⁹⁾ increased \$3.9 million, or 14.3%, to \$31.1 million,



or \$1.68 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$27.2 million, or \$1.39 per diluted share, for the same quarter in 2023.

The number of revenue-generating professionals⁽²⁾ increased 10.4% to 5,896 as of September 30, 2024 from 5,341 as of September 30, 2023. The utilization rate⁽⁸⁾ of the company's Consulting capability was 73.6% during the third quarter of 2024, compared to 77.3% during the same period last year. The utilization rate⁽⁸⁾ for the company's Digital capability increased to 77.2% during the third quarter of 2024, compared to 75.4% during the same period last year.

YEAR-TO-DATE 2024 RESULTS

Revenues before reimbursable expenses increased \$74.8 million, or 7.3%, to \$1.10 billion for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$1.02 billion for the first nine months of 2023. The increase in revenues before reimbursable expenses was driven by continued strength in demand for both our Consulting and Managed Services capability and Digital capability within Healthcare and Education, reflecting the company's focus on accelerating growth in the healthcare and education industries. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in demand for Commercial's Digital and Consulting and Managed Services capabilities.

Net income increased \$23.0 million, or 38.5%, to \$82.6 million, or 7.4% of total revenues, for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$59.6 million, or 5.7% of total revenues, for the same prior year period. Results for the first nine months of 2024 include an \$11.1 million litigation settlement gain, net of tax, related to a completed legal matter in which Huron was the plaintiff. Diluted earnings per share increased \$1.38, or 45.2%, to \$4.43 for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$3.05 for the same prior year period. The litigation settlement gain recognized in the second quarter of 2024 had a favorable \$0.59 impact on diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

EBITDA⁽⁹⁾ for the first nine months of 2024 increased \$29.6 million, or 25.5%, to \$146.1 million, compared to \$116.5 million in the same prior year period. Results for the first nine months of 2024 include a pre-tax \$15.0 million litigation settlement gain related to the completed legal matter in which Huron was the plaintiff.

In addition to using EBITDA to evaluate the company's financial performance, management uses other non-GAAP financial measures, which exclude the effect of the following items (in thousands):

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|----|---------|--|--|--|--|
| | 2024 | | 2023 | | | | |
| Amortization of intangible assets | \$ 4,917 | \$ | 6,202 | | | | |
| Restructuring charges | \$ 7,530 | \$ | 9,385 | | | | |
| 2024 litigation settlement gain ⁽¹⁰⁾ | \$ (11,701) | \$ | | | | | |
| Other losses (gains), net | \$ 478 | \$ | (202) | | | | |
| Transaction-related expenses | \$ 2,316 | \$ | 302 | | | | |
| Tax effect of adjustments | \$ (920) | \$ | (4,157) | | | | |
| Foreign currency transaction losses (gains), net | \$ (348) | \$ | 36 | | | | |

Adjusted EBITDA⁽⁹⁾, which excludes the 2024 litigation settlement gain, increased \$18.4 million, or 14.6%, to \$144.4 million, or 13.2% of revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽⁹⁾, for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$126.0 million, or 12.3% of revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽⁹⁾, in the same prior year period. Adjusted net income⁽⁹⁾ increased \$14.1 million, or 19.8%, to \$85.3 million, or \$4.57 per diluted share, for the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$71.2 million, or \$3.64 per diluted share, for the same prior year period.

The number of revenue-generating professionals⁽²⁾ increased 10.4% to 5,896 as of September 30, 2024 from 5,341 as of September 30, 2023. The utilization rate⁽⁸⁾ of the company's Consulting capability was 72.5% for the first nine months of 2024, compared to 76.5% during the same period last year. The utilization rate⁽⁸⁾ for the company's Digital capability increased to 75.4% for the first nine months of 2024, compared to 73.7% during the same period last year.

Additionally, Huron returned \$104.0 million to shareholders in the first nine months of 2024 by repurchasing 1,067,545 shares of the company's common stock, representing 5.8% of the company's common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2023.



OPERATING INDUSTRIES

The company's year-to-date 2024 revenues before reimbursable expenses by operating segment as a percentage of total company revenues before reimbursable expenses are as follows: Healthcare (50%); Education (32%); and Commercial (18%). Financial results by operating industry are included in the attached schedules and in Huron's forthcoming Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filing for the quarter ended September 30, 2024.

OUTLOOK FOR 2024

Based on currently available information, the company is narrowing guidance for full year 2024 revenues before reimbursable expenses to a range of \$1.47 billion to \$1.49 billion while maintaining its previous midpoint of guidance. The company also anticipates adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues before reimbursable expenses⁽⁹⁾ in a range of 13.0% to 13.5%, and is increasing adjusted diluted earnings per share⁽⁹⁾ guidance to a range of \$6.00 to \$6.20.

THIRD QUARTER 2024 WEBCAST

The company will host a webcast to discuss its financial results today, October 29, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, 4:00 p.m. Central Time. The conference call is being webcast by Notified and can be accessed from Huron's website at http://ir.huronconsultinggroup.com. A replay will be available approximately two hours after the conclusion of the webcast and for 90 days thereafter.

USE OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES⁽⁹⁾

In evaluating the company's financial performance and outlook, management uses EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues before reimbursable expenses, adjusted net income, and adjusted diluted earnings per share, which are non-GAAP measures. Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures to gain an understanding of the company's comparative operating performance (when comparing such results with previous periods or forecasts). These non-GAAP financial measures are used by management in their financial and operating decision making because management believes they reflect the company's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful period-to-period comparisons. Management also uses these non-GAAP financial measures when publicly providing their business outlook, for internal management purposes, and as a basis for evaluating potential acquisitions and dispositions. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating Huron's current operating performance and future prospects in the same manner as management does, if they so choose, and in comparing in a consistent manner Huron's current financial results with Huron's past financial results. Investors should recognize that these non-GAAP measures might not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. These measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, any measure of performance, cash flows or liquidity prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Management has provided its outlook regarding adjusted EBITDA and adjusted diluted earnings per share, both of which are non-GAAP financial measures and exclude certain charges. Management has not reconciled these non-GAAP financial measures to the corresponding GAAP financial measures because guidance for the various reconciling items is not provided. Management is unable to provide guidance for these reconciling items because they cannot determine their probable significance, as certain items are outside of the company's control and cannot be reasonably predicted since these items could vary significantly from period to period. Accordingly, reconciliations to the corresponding GAAP financial measures are not available without unreasonable effort.

ABOUT HURON

Huron is a global professional services firm that collaborates with clients to put **possible into practice** by creating sound strategies, optimizing operations, accelerating digital transformation, and empowering businesses and their people to own their future. By embracing diverse perspectives, encouraging new ideas and challenging the status quo, we create sustainable results for the organizations we serve. Learn more at <u>www.huronconsultinggroup.com</u>.



Statements in this press release that are not historical in nature, including those concerning the company's current expectations about its future results, are "forward-looking" statements as defined in Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are identified by words such as "may," "should," "expects," "provides," "anticipates," "assumes," "can," "will," "meets," "could," "likely," "intends," "might," "predicts," "seeks," "would," "believes," "estimates," "plans," "continues," "goals," "guidance," or "outlook" or similar expressions. These forward-looking statements reflect the company's current expectations about future requirements and needs, results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements. Some of the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained herein include, without limitation: failure to achieve expected utilization rates, billing rates, and the necessary number of revenue-generating professionals; inability to expand or adjust our service offerings in response to market demands; our dependence on renewal of client-based services; dependence on new business and retention of current clients and qualified personnel; failure to maintain third-party provider relationships and strategic alliances; inability to license technology to and from third parties; the impairment of goodwill; various factors related to income and other taxes; difficulties in successfully integrating the businesses we acquire and achieving expected benefits from such acquisitions; risks relating to privacy, information security, and related laws and standards; and a general downturn in market conditions. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors, including, among others, those described under "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in Huron's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31. 2023 that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any anticipated results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. The company disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of new information or future events, or for any other reason.

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | | Nine Mont Septem | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------|----|---------------------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| | | 2024 | | 2023 | | 2024 | | 2023 |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ | 370,049 | \$ | 358,178 | \$ | 1,097,664 | \$ | 1,022,832 |
| Reimbursable expenses | | 8,040 | | 9,288 | | 24,827 | | 25,918 |
| Total revenues | | 378,089 | | 367,466 | | 1,122,491 | | 1,048,750 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | | | |
| Direct costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization included below) | | 247,849 | | 244,774 | | 749,757 | | 708,355 |
| Reimbursable expenses | | 8,135 | | 9,497 | | 25,146 | | 26,242 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | | 70,375 | | 64,361 | | 214,485 | | 190,857 |
| Other gains, net | | (173) | | (14) | | (14,522) | | (202) |
| Restructuring charges | | 3,137 | | 5,402 | | 7,530 | | 9,385 |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 6,321 | | 6,104 | | 18,326 | | 18,621 |
| Total operating expenses | | 335,644 | | 330,124 | | 1,000,722 | | 953,258 |
| Operating income | | 42,445 | | 37,342 | | 121,769 | | 95,492 |
| Other income (expense), net: | | | | | | | | |
| Interest expense, net of interest income | | (6,800) | | (5,047) | | (19,894) | | (15,146) |
| Other income (expense), net | | 1,936 | | (1,000) | | 5,361 | | 1,781 |
| Total other expense, net | | (4,864) | | (6,047) | | (14,533) | | (13,365) |
| Income before taxes | | 37,581 | | 31,295 | | 107,236 | | 82,127 |
| Income tax expense | | 10,432 | | 9,779 | | 24,599 | | 22,480 |
| Net income | \$ | 27,149 | \$ | 21,516 | \$ | 82,637 | \$ | 59,647 |
| Earnings per share: | | | | | | | | |
| Net income per basic share | \$ | 1.53 | \$ | 1.15 | \$ | 4.61 | \$ | 3.15 |
| Net income per diluted share | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | 1.10 | \$ | 4.43 | \$ | 3.05 |
| Weighted average shares used in calculating earnings per share: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | | 17,754 | | 18,770 | | 17,945 | | 18,941 |
| Diluted | | 18,471 | | 19,475 | | 18,672 | | 19,578 |
| Comprehensive income (loss): | | | | | | | | |
| Net income | \$ | 27,149 | \$ | 21,516 | \$ | 82,637 | \$ | 59,647 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax | | 900 | | (662) | | (103) | | (283) |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on investment, net of tax | | (443) | | (1,350) | | (8,208) | | 3,076 |
| Unrealized loss on cash flow hedging instruments, net of tax | | (4,716) | | (368) | | (4,770) | | (234) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) | | (4,259) | | (2,380) | | (13,081) | | 2,559 |
| Comprehensive income | \$ | 22,890 | \$ | 19,136 | \$ | 69,556 | \$ | 62,206 |

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands, except share and per share amounts) (Unaudited)

| | 5 | September 30, 2024 | I | December 31, 2023 |
|--|----|-----------------------|----|----------------------|
| Assets | | | - | |
| Current assets: | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 18,497 | \$ | 12,149 |
| Receivables from clients, net | | 204,894 | | 162,566 |
| Unbilled services, net | | 177,437 | | 190,869 |
| Income tax receivable | | 9,192 | | 6,385 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | | 27,789 | | 28,491 |
| Total current assets | | 437,809 | | 400,460 |
| Property and equipment, net | | 21,682 | | 23,728 |
| Deferred income taxes, net | | 2,408 | | 2,288 |
| Long-term investments | | 64,319 | | 75,414 |
| Operating lease right-of-use assets | | 21,026 | | 24,131 |
| Other non-current assets | | 111,448 | | 92,336 |
| Intangible assets, net | | 22,547 | | 18,074 |
| Goodwill | | 647,541 | | 625,711 |
| Total assets | \$ | 1,328,780 | \$ | 1,262,142 |
| Liabilities and stockholders' equity | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 8,151 | \$ | 10,074 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | | 26,490 | | 33,087 |
| Accrued payroll and related benefits | | 183,182 | | 225,921 |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | | 13,750 | | _ |
| Current maturities of operating lease liabilities | | 11,990 | | 11,032 |
| Deferred revenues | | 27,703 | | 22,461 |
| Total current liabilities | - | 271,266 | - | 302,575 |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | | |
| Deferred compensation and other liabilities | | 44,322 | | 35,665 |
| Long-term debt, net of current portion | | 428,204 | | 324,000 |
| Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion | | 33,442 | | 38,850 |
| Deferred income taxes, net | | 28,774 | | 28,160 |
| Total non-current liabilities | - | 534,742 | - | 426,675 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | | | |
| Stockholders' equity | | | | |
| Common stock; \$0.01 par value; 500,000,000 shares authorized; 20,793,202 and 21,316,441 shares issued, respectively | | 207 | | 212 |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 3,062,689 and 2,852,296 shares, respectively | | (159,717) | | (142,136) |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 174,872 | | 236,962 |
| Retained earnings | | 497,664 | | 415,027 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | | 9,746 | | 22,827 |
| Total stockholders' equity | | 522,772 | | 532,892 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ | 1,328,780 | \$ | 1,262,142 |

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

| | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | | |
|---|-------------|------------------------------------|----|-----------|--|--|
| | | 2024 | | 2023 | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | | | | |
| Net income | \$ | 82,637 | \$ | 59,647 | | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash flows from operating activities: | | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 18,326 | | 18,653 | | |
| Non-cash lease expense | | 4,486 | | 4,840 | | |
| Lease-related impairment charges | | 3,513 | | 5,584 | | |
| Share-based compensation | | 33,963 | | 35,398 | | |
| Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs | | 793 | | 577 | | |
| Allowances for doubtful accounts | | 3,062 | | 53 | | |
| Deferred income taxes | | 5,037 | | 890 | | |
| Gain on sale of property and equipment | | (101) | | (61) | | |
| Change in fair value of contingent consideration liabilities | | (589) | | (251) | | |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions and divestiture: | | | | | | |
| (Increase) decrease in receivables from clients, net | | (44,739) | | (18,508) | | |
| (Increase) decrease in unbilled services, net | | 13,770 | | (51,092) | | |
| (Increase) decrease in current income tax receivable / payable, net | | (3,114) | | (4,365) | | |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets | | (8,412) | | (6,243) | | |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and other liabilities | | (6,994) | | (5,361) | | |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued payroll and related benefits | | (41,385) | | 10,805 | | |
| Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues | | 1,451 | | 4,328 | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | · · · · · · | 61,704 | | 54,894 | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | | |
| Purchases of property and equipment | | (6,028) | | (5,147) | | |
| Investments in life insurance policies | | (2,166) | | (2,601) | | |
| Distributions from life insurance policies | | _ | | 2,956 | | |
| Purchases of businesses | | (20,769) | | (1,613) | | |
| Capitalization of internally developed software costs | | (19,341) | | (19,610) | | |
| Proceeds from note receivable | | 154 | | 154 | | |
| Proceeds from sale of property and equipment | | 102 | | 62 | | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | (48,048) | | (25,799) | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | | |
| Proceeds from exercises of stock options | | 1,634 | | 987 | | |
| Shares redeemed for employee tax withholdings | | (21,458) | | (10,050) | | |
| Share repurchases | | (104,553) | | (88,897) | | |
| Proceeds from bank borrowings | | 682,500 | | 292,000 | | |
| Repayments of bank borrowings | | (563,375) | | (224,000) | | |
| Payments for debt issuance costs | | (1,446) | | (58) | | |
| Deferred payments on business acquisition | | (617) | | (1,500) | | |
| Net cash used in financing activities | | (7,315) | | (31,518) | | |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | | 7 | | (13) | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | 6,348 | | (2,436) | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period | | 12,149 | | 11,834 | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period | \$ | 18,497 | \$ | 9,398 | | |
| | <u> </u> | | + | 0,000 | | |

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. SEGMENT OPERATING RESULTS AND OTHER OPERATING DATA (Unaudited)

| | | Three Mor Septer | | Percent | Nine Mon Septer | | Percent | |
|---|----|---------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|----|-----------|------------------------|
| Segment and Consolidated Operating Results (in thousands): | | 2024 | 2023 | Increase (Decrease) | 2024 | | 2023 | Increase (Decrease) |
| Healthcare: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ | 183,136 | \$ 179,177 | 2.2% | \$ 553,976 | \$ | 501,994 | 10.4% |
| Operating income | \$ | 49,651 | \$ 46,888 | 5.9% | \$ 147,591 | \$ | 128,294 | 15.0% |
| Segment operating margin | | 27.1 % | 26.2 % | | 26.6 % | | 25.6 % | |
| Education: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ | 121,048 | \$ 111,043 | 9.0% | \$ 355,384 | \$ | 325,884 | 9.1% |
| Operating income | \$ | 29,158 | \$ 26,550 | 9.8% | \$ 81,906 | \$ | 77,112 | 6.2% |
| Segment operating margin | | 24.1 % | 23.9 % | | 23.0 % | | 23.7 % | |
| Commercial: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ | 65,865 | \$ 67,958 | (3.1)% | \$ 188,304 | \$ | 194,954 | (3.4)% |
| Operating income | \$ | 16,144 | \$ 15,432 | 4.6% | \$ 39,198 | \$ | 39,971 | (1.9)% |
| Segment operating margin | | 24.5 % | 22.7 % | | 20.8 % | | 20.5 % | |
| Total Huron: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ | 370,049 | \$ 358,178 | 3.3% | \$ 1,097,664 | \$ | 1,022,832 | 7.3% |
| Reimbursable expenses | | 8,040 | 9,288 | (13.4)% | 24,827 | | 25,918 | (4.2)% |
| Total revenues | \$ | 378,089 | \$ 367,466 | 2.9% | \$ 1,122,491 | \$ | 1,048,750 | 7.0% |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Items not allocated at the segment level: | | | | | | | | |
| Unallocated corporate expenses | | 46,821 | 43,100 | 8.6% | 143,386 | | 129,765 | 10.5% |
| Other gains, net | | (173) | (14) | N/M | (14,522) | | (202) | N/M |
| Restructuring charges | | 1,921 | 4,095 | (53.1)% | 6,201 | | 6,881 | (9.9)% |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 3,939 | 4,347 | (9.4)% | 11,861 | | 13,441 | (11.8)% |
| Operating income | | 42,445 | 37,342 | 13.7% | 121,769 | | 95,492 | 27.5% |
| Other expense, net | | (4,864) | (6,047) | (19.6)% | (14,533) | | (13,365) | 8.7% |
| Income before taxes | \$ | 37,581 | \$ 31,295 | 20.1% | \$ 107,236 | \$ | 82,127 | 30.6% |
| Other Operating Data: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of revenue-generating professionals by segment (at period end) ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ : | - | | | | | | | |
| Healthcare | | 2,442 | 1,878 | 30.0% | 2,442 | | 1,878 | 30.0% |
| Education | | 1,250 | 1,203 | 3.9% | 1,250 | | 1,203 | 3.9% |
| Commercial ⁽⁴⁾ | | 2,204 | 2,260 | (2.5)% | 2,204 | | 2,260 | (2.5)% |
| Total | | 5,896 | 5,341 | 10.4% | 5,896 | | 5,341 | 10.4% |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses by capability: | | | | | | | | |
| Consulting and Managed Services ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾ | \$ | 214,517 | \$ 214,688 | (0.1)% | \$ 634,415 | \$ | 589,137 | 7.7% |
| Digital | | 155,532 | 143,490 | 8.4% | 463,249 | | 433,695 | 6.8% |
| Total | \$ | 370,049 | \$ 358,178 | 3.3% | \$ 1,097,664 | \$ | 1,022,832 | 7.3% |
| Number of revenue-generating professionals by capability (at period end) ⁽²⁾ : | | | | | | | | |
| Consulting and Managed Services (5)(7) | | 3,052 | 2,483 | 22.9% | 3,052 | | 2,483 | 22.9% |
| Digital | | 2,844 | 2,858 | (0.5)% | 2,844 | | 2,858 | (0.5)% |
| Total | | 5,896 | 5,341 | 10.4% | 5,896 | | 5,341 | 10.4% |
| Utilization rate by capability ⁽⁸⁾ : | | , | | | , | | | |
| Consulting | | 73.6 % | 77.3 % | | 72.5 % | | 76.5 % | |
| Digital | | 77.2 % | 75.4 % | | 75.4 % | | 73.7 % | |

- (2) Consists of our full-time consultants who generate revenues based on the number of hours worked; full-time equivalents, which consists of coaches and their support staff within the culture and organizational excellence solution, consultants who work variable schedules as needed by clients, and fulltime employees who provide software support and maintenance services to clients; and our Healthcare managed services employees who provide revenue cycle billing, collections, insurance verification and change integrity services to clients.
- (3) During the first quarter of 2024, we reclassified certain revenue-generating professionals within our Digital capability from our Healthcare and Education segments to our Commercial segment as these professionals are able to provide services across all of our industries. This reclassification did not impact the total Digital capability headcount for any period. The prior period headcount has been revised for consistent presentation.
- (4) The majority of our revenue-generating professionals within our Commercial segment can provide services across all of our industries, including healthcare and education, and the related costs of these professionals are allocated to each of the segments.

This reclassification did not impact the aggregate revenues before reimbursable expenses or headcount reported for the Education Consulting and Managed Services capability for any period, and the prior period Education Managed Services capability revenues before reimbursable expenses and headcount in the following footnotes have been revised for consistent presentation.

(6) Managed Services capability revenues before reimbursable expenses within our Healthcare segment was \$19.3 million and \$16.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively; and \$53.5 million and \$53.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Managed Services capability revenues before reimbursable expenses within our Education segment was \$6.6 million and \$7.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively; and \$20.8 million and \$22.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

(7) The number of Managed Services revenue-generating professionals within our Healthcare segment was 1,223 and 757 as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The number of Managed Services revenue-generating professionals within our Education segment was 122 and 129 as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

(8) Utilization rate is calculated by dividing the number of hours our billable consultants worked on client assignments during a period by the total available working hours for these billable consultants during the same period. Available working hours are determined by the standard hours worked by each billable consultant, adjusted for part-time hours, and U.S. standard work weeks. Available working hours exclude local country holidays and vacation days. Utilization rates are presented for our revenue-generating professionals who primarily bill on an hourly basis. We have not presented utilization rates for our Managed Services professionals as most of the revenues generated by these employees are not billed on an hourly basis.

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EARNINGS BEFORE INTEREST, TAXES, DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION ⁽⁹⁾ (In thousands) (Unaudited)

| | Three Mor Septen | | | | Nine Mont Septem | |
|---|---------------------|----|-----------|----|---------------------|-----------------|
| | 2024 | | 2023 2024 | | 2023 | |
| Revenues before reimbursable expenses | \$ 370,049 | \$ | 358,178 | \$ | 1,097,664 | \$ 1,022,832 |
| Reimbursable expenses | 8,040 | | 9,288 | | 24,827 | 25,918 |
| Total revenues | \$ 378,089 | \$ | 367,466 | \$ | 1,122,491 | \$ 1,048,750 |
| Net income | \$ 27,149 | \$ | 21,516 | \$ | 82,637 | \$ 59,647 |
| Net income as a percentage of total revenues | 7.2 % | | 5.9 % | | 7.4 % | 5.7 % |
| Add back: | | _ | | | | |
| Income tax expense | 10,432 | | 9,779 | | 24,599 | 22,480 |
| Interest expense, net of interest income | 6,800 | | 5,047 | | 19,894 | 15,146 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 6,542 | | 6,300 | | 18,967 | 19,183 |
| Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) ⁽⁹⁾ | 50,923 | | 42,642 | | 146,097 | 116,456 |
| Add back: | | | | | | |
| Restructuring charges | 3,137 | | 5,402 | | 7,530 | 9,385 |
| 2024 litigation settlement gain (10) | — | | _ | | (11,701) | |
| Other losses (gains), net | (173) | | (14) | | 478 | (202) |
| Transaction-related expenses | 716 | | 302 | | 2,316 | 302 |
| Foreign currency transaction losses (gains), net | 267 | | (332) | | (348) | 36 |
| Adjusted EBITDA ⁽⁹⁾ | \$ 54,870 | \$ | 48,000 | \$ | 144,372 | \$ 125,977 |
| Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues before reimbursable expenses ⁽⁹⁾ | 14.8 % | | 13.4 % | | 13.2 % | 12.3 % |

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME ⁽⁹⁾ (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|----|---------|----|------------------------------------|----|---------|--|
| | 2024 | | 2023 | | 2024 | | 2023 | |
| Net income | \$ 27,149 | \$ | 21,516 | \$ | 82,637 | \$ | 59,647 | |
| Weighted average shares - diluted | 18,471 | | 19,475 | | 18,672 | | 19,578 | |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$ 1.47 | \$ | 1.10 | \$ | 4.43 | \$ | 3.05 | |
| Add back: | | | | | | | | |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 1,600 | | 1,997 | | 4,917 | | 6,202 | |
| Restructuring charges | 3,137 | | 5,402 | | 7,530 | | 9,385 | |
| 2024 litigation settlement gain (10) | _ | | _ | | (11,701) | | _ | |
| Other losses (gains), net | (173) | | (14) | | 478 | | (202) | |
| Transaction-related expenses | 716 | | 302 | | 2,316 | | 302 | |
| Tax effect of adjustments | (1,372) | | (2,037) | | (920) | | (4,157) | |
| Total adjustments, net of tax | 3,908 | | 5,650 | | 2,620 | | 11,530 | |
| Adjusted net income ⁽⁹⁾ | \$ 31,057 | \$ | 27,166 | \$ | 85,257 | \$ | 71,177 | |
| Adjusted weighted average shares - diluted | 18,471 | | 19,475 | | 18,672 | | 19,578 | |
| Adjusted diluted earnings per share ⁽⁹⁾ | \$ 1.68 | \$ | 1.39 | \$ | 4.57 | \$ | 3.64 | |

(9) In evaluating the company's financial performance and outlook, management uses earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"), adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues before reimbursable expenses, adjusted net income, and adjusted diluted earnings per share, which are non-GAAP measures. Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures to gain an understanding of the company's comparative operating performance (when comparing such results with previous periods or forecasts). These non-GAAP financial measures are used by management in their financial and operating decision making because management believes they reflect the company's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful period-to-period comparisons. Management also uses these non-GAAP financial measures when publicly providing the company's business outlook, for internal management purposes, and as a basis for evaluating potential acquisitions and dispositions. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating Huron's current operating performance and future prospects in the same manner as management does, if they so choose, and in comparing in a consistent manner Huron's current financial results with Huron's past financial results. Investors should recognize that these non-GAAP measures might not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. These measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, any measure of performance, cash flows or liquidity prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

(10) The non-GAAP financial measures for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 include an adjustment for the 2024 litigation settlement gain. In the second quarter of 2024, the company settled a litigation matter in which Huron was the plaintiff for \$15.0 million, on a pre-tax basis. This \$15.0 million settlement gain was recorded as a component of other gains, net on the consolidated statement of operations. The company has excluded from the non-GAAP measures \$11.7 million, which is the value of the settlement gain that exceeds the third-party legal costs incurred during 2024 specific to this litigation matter, as this net gain is not indicative of the ongoing performance of Huron's business. Of the \$3.3 million third-party legal costs incurred for this matter in 2024, \$2.7 million was incurred in the first quarter and \$0.6 million was incurred in the second quarter. Third-party legal costs incurred for this litigation matter during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 were \$1.2 million and \$2.2 million, respectively.