#### 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 9, 2025

#### KORN FERRY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-14505

(Commission File Number) 95-2623879

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1900 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 1225 Los Angeles, California 90067 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 552-1834

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- O Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- O Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- O Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- O 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 Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share Trading Symbol(s)
KFY

Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered New York Stock Exchange

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 September 9, 2025, Korn Ferry issued a press release announcing its first quarter fiscal year 2026 results. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The information in this Item 2.02 and the exhibit hereto are furnished to, but not filed with, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated September 9, 2025.

Exhibit 104 The cover page from this Current Report on Form 8-K, formatted in Inline XBRL (included as Exhibit 101).

#### **SIGNATURES**

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.

Date: September 9, 2025

#### KORN FERRY

(Registrant)

/s/ Robert P. Rozek

(Signature)

Name: Robert P. Rozek

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Corporate Officer Title:



#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### Korn Ferry Announces First Quarter Fiscal 2026 Results of Operations

#### Highlights

- Korn Ferry reports Q1 FY'26 fee revenue of \$708.6 million, an increase of 5% year-over-year at actual, and 4% at constant currency.
  - Fee revenue grew year-over-year in each Solution, led by Professional Search & Interim (10% actual) and Executive Search (8% actual).
- · Net income attributable to Korn Ferry was \$66.6 million, an increase of 6% year-over-year, with a margin of 9.4%, an increase of 10bps year-over-year.
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$120.4 million, an increase of 8% year-over-year, with a margin of 17.0%, an increase of 50bps year-over-year.
- Diluted and adjusted diluted earnings per share were \$1.26 and \$1.31 in Q1 FY'26, up 8% and 11% year-over-year, respectively.
- The Company repurchased 145,770 shares of stock during the quarter for \$9.9 million.

Los Angeles, CA, September 9, 2025 – Korn Ferry (NYSE: KFY), a global consulting firm, today announced first quarter fee revenue of \$708.6 million. In addition, first quarter diluted earnings per share was \$1.26 and adjusted diluted earnings per share was \$1.31.

"I am pleased with our company's performance. When looking at our results over the last few quarters—even amid all of the choppiness that has encircled the labor and economic environment—it's clear that our strategy is working," said Gary D. Burnison, CEO, Korn Ferry. "Today we are driving performance with a far more sophisticated, holistic approach that brings together our expertise, robust IP and relevant solutions in every major region of the world to solve our clients' most pressing challenges. When one considers our diversification strategy and the demographic shifts alone, the opportunity for Korn Ferry is immense."



#### Selected Financial Results

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts) (a)

	First Quarter			
	FY'26		FY'25	
Fee revenue	\$ 708.6	\$	674.9	
Total revenue	\$ 715.5	\$	682.8	
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$ 1,674.1	\$	1,532.6	
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	\$ 66.6	\$	62.6	
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry margin	9.4 %	)	9.3 %	
Basic earnings per share	\$ 1.28	\$	1.19	
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.26	\$	1.17	

Adjusted Results (c):	First Quarter			
	FY'26		FY'25	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 120.4	\$	111.2	
Adjusted EBITDA margin	17.0 %		16.5 %	
Adjusted net income attributable to Korn Ferry (d)	\$ 69.2	\$	63.1	
Adjusted basic earnings per share (d)	\$ 1.33	\$	1.20	
Adjusted diluted earnings per share (d)	\$ 1.31	\$	1.18	

<sup>(</sup>a) Numbers may not total due to rounding.

<sup>(</sup>c) Adjusted EBITDA refers to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, further adjusted to exclude integration/acquisition costs, impairment of fixed assets, impairment of right-of-use assets, restructuring charges, net and management separation charges when applicable. Adjusted results on a consolidated basis are non-GAAP financial measures that adjust for the following, as applicable (see attached reconciliations):

	First Quarter		
	FY'26	FY'25	
osts	\$ 1.5	\$	1.1

(d) Excludes \$2.0 million of accelerated depreciation associated with the decision to sunset our Digital platform once our Korn Ferry Talent Suite platform is introduced, which we expect in the third quarter of fiscal 2026. Amount is included in the Company's US GAAP results but excluded from the Adjusted results.

The Company reported fee revenue in Q1 FY'26 of \$708.6 million, an increase of 5% year-over-year (up 4.0% at constant currency).

Net income attributable to Korn Ferry was \$66.6 million with a margin of 9.4% in Q1 FY'26, compared to net income attributable to Korn Ferry of \$62.6 million with a margin of 9.3%, in Q1 FY'25, an increase of 10bps compared to the year-ago quarter. Net income attributable to Korn Ferry increased from the year-ago quarter primarily due to an increase in fee revenue.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$120.4 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$111.2 million in Q1 FY'25. Adjusted EBITDA margin was 17.0% in Q1 FY'26, an increase of 50bps compared to the year-ago quarter, also primarily due to an increase in fee revenue.

<sup>(</sup>b) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.



### Results by Solution

#### Selected Consulting Data

(dollars in millions) (a)

	First Quarter			
		FY'26		FY'25
Fee revenue	\$	170.0	\$	167.9
Total revenue	\$	172.7	\$	170.8
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$	372.3	\$	349.3
Ending number of consultants and execution staff (c)		1,550		1,663
Hours worked in thousands (d)		367		395
Average bill rate (e)	\$	463	\$	425

Adjusted Results:		First Quarter			
	FY'26			FY'25	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	28.8	\$		29.3
Adjusted EBITDA margin		17.0 %			17.5 %

<sup>(</sup>a) Numbers may not total due to rounding.

Fee revenue was \$170.0 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$167.9 million in Q1 FY'25, an increase of \$2.1 million or 1%. The year-over-year increase in Consulting fee revenue was primarily driven by a 9% increase in average bill rates, resulting from the continuing shift to larger and longer duration engagements, partially offset by slower client consumption of backlog engagements.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$28.8 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$29.3 million in the year-ago quarter. Adjusted EBITDA margin in the quarter decreased year-over-year by 50bps to 17.0%.

<sup>(</sup>b) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.

<sup>(</sup>c) Represents number of employees originating, delivering and executing consulting services.

<sup>(</sup>d) The number of hours worked by consultant and execution staff during the period.

<sup>(</sup>e) The amount of fee revenue divided by the number of hours worked by consultants and execution staff.



## Selected Digital Data (dollars in millions) (a)

	First Quarter			
	FY'26		FY'25	
Fee revenue	\$ 89.2	\$	88.2	
Total revenue	\$ 89.2	\$	88.2	
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$ 398.0	\$	372.1	
Ending number of consultants	225		259	
Subscription & License fee revenue	\$ 37.2	\$	34.1	

Adjusted Results:		First Quarter			
	FY'26	;		FY'25	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	27.6	\$		26.6
Adjusted EBITDA margin		31.0 %			30.2 %

Numbers may not total due to rounding.

Fee revenue was \$89.2 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$88.2 million in Q1 FY'25, up 1% year-over-year while down 1% at constant currency.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$27.6 million in Q1 FY'26, compared to \$26.6 million in the year-ago quarter. Adjusted EBITDA margin in the quarter increased year-over-year by 80bps to 31.0%.

<sup>(</sup>b) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.



#### Selected Executive Search Data(a)

(dollars in millions) (b)

		First Quarter			
	F	Y'26		FY'25	
Fee revenue	\$	224.3	\$	208.6	
Total revenue	\$	226.3	\$	210.4	
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (c)	\$	66.6	\$	61.5	
Ending number of consultants		574		559	
Average number of consultants		567		551	
Engagements billed		3,751		3,448	
New engagements (d)		1,596		1,556	

Adjusted Results (e):		First Quarter			
	FY'26			FY'25	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	57.5	\$		49.4
Adjusted EBITDA margin		25.6 %			23.7 %

<sup>(</sup>a) Executive Search is the sum of the individual Executive Search Reporting Segments described in our annual and quarterly reporting on Forms 10-K and 10-Q and is presented on a consolidated basis as it is consistent with the Company's discussion of its Solutions, and financial metrics used by the Company's investor base.

Fee revenue was \$224.3 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$208.6 million in Q1 FY'25, an increase of \$15.7 million or 8% (up 6% at constant currency). The year-over-year increase in fee revenue was primarily driven by an increase in the number of engagements billed. The Company experienced fee revenue growth in EMEA, North America and APAC regions.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$57.5 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$49.4 million in the year-ago quarter, an increase of 16% year-over-year. Adjusted EBITDA margin increased by 190bps to 25.6% in Q1 FY'26. The increase in Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin was due to higher fee revenue.

<sup>(</sup>b) Numbers may not total due to rounding.

<sup>(</sup>c) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.

<sup>(</sup>d) Represents new engagements opened in the respective period.

<sup>(</sup>e) Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin are non-GAAP financial measures for which no adjustments have been made in the periods shown in this table.



#### Selected Professional Search & Interim Data

(dollars in millions) (a)

	First Quarter			
	FY'26		FY'25	
Fee revenue	\$ 133.9	\$	121.7	
Total revenue	\$ 135.1	\$	122.7	
Permanent Placement:				
Fee revenue	\$ 54.7	\$	52.2	
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$ 15.2	\$	14.2	
Engagements billed	1,853		1,820	
New engagements (c)	963		972	
Ending number of consultants	299		319	
Interim:				
Fee revenue	\$ 79.2	\$	69.5	
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$ 93.3	\$	79.4	
Average bill rate (d)	\$ 138	\$	133	
Average weekly billable consultants (e)	1,219		1,068	

Adjusted Results (f):	First Quarter		
	FY'26	FY'	25
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 28.0	\$	25.7
Adjusted EBITDA margin	20.9 %		21.1 %

<sup>(</sup>a) Numbers may not total due to rounding.

<sup>(</sup>f) Adjusted results exclude the following:

		First Quarte	r
	FY	"26	FY'25
Integration/acquisition costs	\$	1.5 \$	1.1

Fee revenue was \$133.9 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$121.7 million in Q1 FY'25, an increase of \$12.2 million or 10% in both actual and constant currency. Fee revenue increased primarily due to higher fee revenue from Interim associated with the acquisition of Trilogy International effective November 1, 2024.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$28.0 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$25.7 million in the year-ago quarter. Adjusted EBITDA margin was 20.9%, essentially flat year-over-year.

<sup>(</sup>b) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.

<sup>(</sup>c) Represents new engagements opened in the respective period.

<sup>(</sup>d) Fee revenue from interim divided by the number of hours worked by consultants.

<sup>(</sup>e) The number of billable consultants based on a weekly average in the respective period.



### Selected Recruitment Process Outsourcing ("RPO") Data

(dollars in millions) (a)

	First Quarter					
	FY'26					
Fee revenue	\$ 91.3	\$	88.5			
Total revenue	\$ 92.2	\$	90.7			
Estimated remaining fees under existing contracts (b)	\$ 728.8	\$	656.1			
RPO new business (c)	\$ 99.3	\$	103.6			

Adjusted Results:	First Quarter				
	FY'26	FY'25			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 14.3	\$	12.5		
Adjusted EBITDA margin	15.7 %		14.1 %		

<sup>(</sup>a) Numbers may not total due to rounding.

Fee revenue was \$91.3 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$88.5 million in Q1 FY'25, an increase of \$2.8 million or 3% (up 1% at constant currency). RPO fee revenue increased primarily due to new logo clients in North America.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$14.3 million in Q1 FY'26 compared to \$12.5 million in the year-ago quarter. Adjusted EBITDA margin increased 160bps to 15.7% in Q1 FY'26. The increase in Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin both resulted from an increase in fee revenue.

<sup>(</sup>b) Estimated fee revenue associated with signed contracts for which revenue has not yet been recognized.

<sup>(</sup>c) Estimated total value of a contract at the point of execution of the contract.



#### Outlook

Assuming worldwide geopolitical conditions, economic conditions, financial markets and foreign exchange rates remain steady, on a consolidated basis:

- Q2 FY'26 fee revenue is expected to be in the range of \$690 million and \$710 million; and
- Q2 FY'26 diluted earnings per share is expected to range between \$1.10 to \$1.16.

On a consolidated adjusted basis:

Q2 FY'26 adjusted diluted earnings per share is expected to be in the range from \$1.23 to \$1.33.

		Q2 FY'26 Earnings Per Share Outlook Low High			
Consolidated diluted earnings per share	\$	1.10	\$	1.16	
Integration/acquisition costs and accelerated depreciation on Digital platform	·	0.19	·	0.23	
Tax rate impact		(0.06)		(0.06)	
Consolidated adjusted diluted earnings per share <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	1.23	\$	1.33	

<sup>(1)</sup> Consolidated adjusted diluted earnings per share is a non-GAAP financial measure that excludes the items listed in the table.

#### **Earnings Conference Call Webcast**

The earnings conference call will be held today at 12:00 PM (EDT) and hosted by CEO Gary Burnison, CFO Robert Rozek, SVP Business Development & Analytics Gregg Kvochak and VP Investor Relations Tiffany Louder. The conference call will be webcast and available online at ir.kornferry.com. We will also post to the investor relations section of our website earnings slides, which will accompany our webcast, and other important information, and encourage you to review the information that we make available on our website.



#### **About Korn Ferry**

Korn Ferry is a global consulting firm that powers performance. We unlock the potential in your people and unleash transformation across your business—synchronizing strategy, operations, and talent to accelerate performance, fuel growth, and inspire a legacy of change. That's why the world's most forward-thinking companies across every major industry turn to us—for a shared commitment to lasting impact and the bold ambition to *Be More Than*.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this press release and our conference call that relate to our outlook, projections, goals, strategies, future plans and expectations, including statements relating to expected impacts of sunsetting our Digital platform, expected labor market conditions, expected demand for and relevance of our products and services, expected results of our business diversification strategy, impact of global events on our business, and other statements of future events or conditions are forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Words such as "believes", "expects", "anticipates", "goals", "estimates", "guidance", "may", "should", "could", "will" or "likely", and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements. Such statements are based on current expectations; actual results in future periods may differ materially from those currently expected or desired because of a number of risks and uncertainties that are beyond the control of Korn Ferry. The potential risks and uncertainties include those relating to global and local political and or economic developments in or affecting countries where we have operations, such as inflation, trade wars, interest rates, labor market conditions, global slowdowns, or recessions, competition, geopolitical tensions, shifts in global trade patterns, changes in demand for our services as a result of automation, dependence on and costs of attracting and retaining qualified and experienced consultants, impact of inflationary pressures on our profitability, our ability to maintain relationships with customers and suppliers and retaining key employees, maintaining our brand name and professional reputation, potential legal liability and regulatory developments, portability of client relationships, consolidation of or within the industries we serve, changes and developments in government laws and regulations, evolving investor and customer expectations with regard to corporate responsibility matters, currency fluctuations in our international operations, risks related to growth, alignment of our cost structure, including as a result of recent workforce, real estate, and other restructuring initiatives, restrictions imposed by off-limits agreements, reliance on information processing systems, cyber security vulnerabilities or events, changes to data security, data privacy, and data protection laws, dependence on third parties for the execution of critical functions, limited protection of our intellectual property, our ability to enhance, develop and respond to new technology, including artificial intelligence, our ability to successfully recover from a disaster or other business continuity problems, employment liability risk, an impairment in the carrying value of goodwill and other intangible assets, treaties, or regulations on our business and our Company, deferred tax assets that we may not be able to use, our ability to develop new products and services, changes in our accounting estimates and assumptions, the utilization and billing rates of our consultants, seasonality, the expansion of social media platforms, the ability to effect acquisitions and integrate acquired businesses, resulting organizational changes, our indebtedness, and those relating to the ultimate magnitude and duration of any pandemic or outbreaks. For a detailed description of risks and uncertainties that could cause differences from our expectations, please refer to Korn Ferry's periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Korn Ferry disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

#### Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release contains financial information calculated other than in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). In particular, it includes:

- Adjusted net income attributable to Korn Ferry, adjusted to exclude integration/acquisition costs and cost associated with accelerated depreciation on our Digital platform, net of income tax effect;
- Adjusted basic and diluted earnings per share, adjusted to exclude integration/acquisition costs and cost associated with accelerated depreciation on our Digital platform, net of income tax effect;
- Constant currency (calculated using a quarterly average) percentages that represent the percentage change that would have resulted had exchange rates in the
  prior period been the same as those in effect in the current period; and
- Consolidated and Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA, which is earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, further adjusted to exclude integration/acquisition costs when applicable, and Consolidated and Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA margin.

This non-GAAP disclosure has limitations as an analytical tool, should not be viewed as a substitute for financial information determined in accordance with GAAP, and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of the Company's results as reported under GAAP, nor is it necessarily comparable to non-GAAP performance measures that may be presented by other companies.



Management believes the presentation of non-GAAP financial measures in this press release provides meaningful supplemental information regarding Korn Ferry's performance by excluding certain charges that may not be indicative of Korn Ferry's ongoing operating results. These non-GAAP financial measures are performance measures and are not indicative of the liquidity of Korn Ferry. These charges, which are described in the footnotes in the attached reconciliations, represent 1) costs we incurred to acquire and integrate a portion of our Professional Search & Interim business and 2) accelerated depreciation associated with the decision to sunset our Digital platform after introducing our Korn Ferry Talent Suite platform, which is expected in the third quarter of fiscal 2026. The use of non-GAAP financial measures facilitates comparisons to Korn Ferry's historical performance. Korn Ferry includes non-GAAP financial measures because management believes they are useful to investors in allowing for greater transparency with respect to supplemental information used by management in its evaluation of Korn Ferry's ongoing operations and financial and operational decision-making. Adjusted net income attributable to Korn Ferry, adjusted basic and diluted earnings per share and Consolidated and Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA, exclude certain charges that management does not consider on-going in nature and allows management and investors to make more meaningful period-to-period comparisons of the Company's operating results. Management further believes that Consolidated and Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors because it is frequently used by investors and other interested parties to measure operating performance among companies with different capital structures, effective tax rates and tax attributes and capitalized asset values, all of which can vary substantially from company to company. In the case of constant currency percentages, management believes the presentation of such information provides useful supplemental information regarding Korn Ferry's performance as excluding the impact of exchange rate changes on Korn Ferry's financial performance allows investors to make more meaningful period-to-period comparisons of the Company's operating results, to better identify operating trends that may otherwise be masked or distorted by exchange rate changes and to perform related trend analysis, and provides a higher degree of transparency of information used by management in its evaluation of Korn Ferry's ongoing operations and financial and operational decision-making.

[Tables attached]

## KORN FERRY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended July 31,

	July 31,			
	 2025	2024		
	(unaudited)			
Fee revenue	\$ 708,613 \$	674,946		
Reimbursed out-of-pocket engagement expenses	 6,930	7,815		
Total revenue	715,543	682,761		
Compensation and benefits	461,411	451,775		
General and administrative expenses	63,874	59,999		
Reimbursed expenses	6,930	7,815		
Cost of services	77,194	67,544		
Depreciation and amortization	 22,686	19,578		
Total operating expenses	 632,095	606,711		
Operating income	83,448	76,050		
Other income, net	12,752	14,505		
Interest expense, net	(3,516)	(3,945)		
Income before provision for income taxes	 92,684	86,610		
Income tax provision	 25,250	22,354		
Net income	67,434	64,256		
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	 (798)	(1,652)		
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	\$ 66,636 \$	62,604		
Earnings per common share attributable to Korn Ferry:				
Basic	\$ 1.28 \$	1.19		
Diluted	\$ 1.26 \$	1.17		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	51,466	51,950		
Diluted	 52,368	52,745		

# KORN FERRY AND SUBSIDIARIES FINANCIAL SUMMARY BY REPORTING SEGMENT (dollars in thousands) (unaudited)

Three Months Ended July 31, 2025 % Change 2024 Fee revenue: Consulting \$ 169,962 \$ 167,870 1.2% Digital 89,198 88,180 1.2% Executive Search: North America 139,654 134,752 3.6% **EMEA** 53,781 45,981 17.0% 20.0% Asia Pacific 20,579 24,701 7,323 Latin America 6,117 (16.5%) Total Executive Search (a) 224,253 208,635 7.5% Professional Search & Interim 133,901 121,741 10.0% RPO 91,299 88,520 3.1% Total fee revenue 708,613 674,946 5.0% Reimbursed out-of-pocket engagement expenses 6,930 7,815 (11.3%) 715,543 682,761 Total revenue 4.8%

<sup>(</sup>a) Total Executive Search is the sum of the individual Executive Search Reporting Segments and is presented on a consolidated basis as it is consistent with the Company's discussion of its Solutions, and financial metrics used by the Company's investor base.

## KORN FERRY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	July 31, 2025			April 30, 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>
		(unaudited)		
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	684,855	\$	1,006,964
Marketable securities		36,277		36,388
Receivables due from clients, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$41,497 and \$40,461 at July 31, 2025 and April 30, 2025, respectively		600,362		565,255
Income taxes and other receivables		47,062		38,394
Unearned compensation		64,033		61,649
Prepaid expenses and other assets		58,313		41,488
Total current assets		1,490,902		1,750,138
Marketable securities, non-current		242,162		233,626
Property and equipment, net		179,491		173,610
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net		143,262		152,712
Cash surrender value of company-owned life insurance policies, net of loans		268,556		252,621
Deferred income taxes		139,212		144,560
Goodwill		948,659		948,832
Intangible assets, net		64,043		70,193
Unearned compensation, non-current		124,817		106,965
Investments and other assets		29,493		27,967
Total assets	\$	3,630,597	\$	3,861,224
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Accounts payable	\$	55,058	\$	58,884
Income taxes payable		23,585		23,079
Compensation and benefits payable		266,671		530,473
Operating lease liability, current		36,318		38,573
Other accrued liabilities		292,768		304,589
Total current liabilities		674,400		955,598
Deferred compensation and other retirement plans		504,867		477,770
Operating lease liability, non-current		126,429		131,762
Long-term debt		397,939		397,736
Deferred tax liabilities		6,737		5,981
Other liabilities		21,412		20,238
Total liabilities		1,731,784		1,989,085
Stockholders' equity				
Common stock: \$0.01 par value, 150,000 shares authorized, 79,124 and 78,264 shares issued and 51,770 and 51,458 shares	3	054.000		004.405
outstanding at July 31, 2025 and April 30, 2025, respectively		351,238		364,425
Retained earnings		1,628,701		1,588,274
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net		(87,851)		(86,243)
Total Korn Ferry stockholders' equity		1,892,088		1,866,456
Noncontrolling interest		6,725		5,683
Total stockholders' equity		1,898,813		1,872,139
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,630,597	\$	3,861,224

<sup>(1)</sup> information is derived from audited financial statements included in our most recently filed Form 10-K.

#### **KORN FERRY AND SUBSIDIARIES** RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (dollars in thousands) (unaudited)

Three Months Ended July 31.

		July 31,				
		2025	2024			
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	\$	66,636 \$	62,604			
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest		798	1,652			
Net income		67,434	64,256			
Income tax provision		25,250	22,354			
Income before provision for income taxes		92,684	86,610			
Interest expense, net		3,516	3,945			
Depreciation and amortization		22,686 1,508	19,578 1,076			
Integration/acquisition costs (1)						
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$</u>	120,394 \$	111,209			
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry margin		9.4%	9.3%			
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest		0.1%	0.2%			
Income tax provision		3.6%	3.3%			
Interest expense, net		0.5%	0.6%			
Depreciation and amortization		3.2%	2.9%			
Integration/acquisition costs (1)		0.2%	0.2%			
Adjusted EBITDA margin		17.0%	16.5%			
Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	\$	66,636 \$	62,604			
Integration/acquisition costs (1)		1,508	1,076			
Accelerated depreciation on Digital platform (2)		1,977	_			
Tax effect on the adjusted items (3)		(883)	(560)			
Adjusted net income attributable to Korn Ferry	\$	69,238 \$	63,120			
Basic earnings per common share	\$	1.28 \$	1.19			
Integration/acquisition costs (1)	*	0.03	0.02			
Accelerated depreciation on Digital platform (2)		0.04				
Tax effect on the adjusted items (3)		(0.02)	(0.01)			
Adjusted basic earnings per share	\$	1.33 \$	1.20			
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	1.26 \$	1.17			
Integration/acquisition costs (1)	·	0.03	0.02			
Accelerated depreciation on Digital platform (2)		0.04	_			
Tax effect on the adjusted items (3)		(0.02)	(0.01)			
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	1.31 \$	1.18			
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Explanation of Non-GAAP Adjustments

(1) Costs associated with current and previous acquisitions, such as legal and professional fees, retention awards and the on-going integration expenses.

(2) Costs associated with accelerated depreciation associated with the decision to sunset our Digital platform upon the introduction of our Korn Ferry Talent Suite platform, which is expected in the third quarter of fiscal Costs associated with accelerated depreciation associated with the decision to sunset our 2026.

Tax effect on integration/acquisition costs and accelerated depreciation on Digital platform.

<sup>(3)</sup> 

## KORN FERRY AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES - CONTINUED

(dollars in thousands) (unaudited)

Three Months Ended July 31,

				2	025			20				2024		
					а	Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	Net income attributable to Korn Ferry margin				а	Net income attributable to Korn Ferry	Net income attributable to Korn Ferry margin	
Consolidated					\$	66,636	9.4 %					\$	62,604	9.3 %
	F	ee revenue	To	tal revenue		Adjusted EBITDA	Adjusted EBITDA margin		Fee revenue	To	otal revenue		Adjusted EBITDA	Adjusted EBITDA margin
Consulting	\$	169,962	\$	172,699	\$	28,809	17.0 %	\$	167,870	\$	170,767	\$	29,294	17.5 %
Digital		89,198		89,245		27,607	31.0 %		88,180		88,211		26,623	30.2 %
Executive Search:														
North America		139,654		141,215		41,240	29.5 %		134,752		136,087		35,098	26.0 %
EMEA		53,781		54,081		9,143	17.0 %		45,981		46,276		7,265	15.8 %
Asia Pacific		24,701		24,839		5,535	22.4 %		20,579		20,704		4,218	20.5 %
Latin America		6,117		6,139		1,540	25.2 %		7,323		7,326		2,798	38.2 %
Total Executive Search		224,253		226,274		57,458	25.6 %		208,635		210,393		49,379	23.7 %
Professional Search &														
Interim		133,901		135,141		28,027	20.9 %		121,741		122,730		25,706	21.1 %
RPO		91,299		92,184		14,342	15.7 %		88,520		90,660		12,494	14.1 %
Corporate		_		_		(35,849)			_		_		(32,287)	
Consolidated	\$	708,613	\$	715,543	\$	120,394	17.0 %	\$	674,946	\$	682,761	\$	111,209	16.5 %