

# LOEWEN GROUP CASE ANALYSIS

## INTRODUCTION

The <u>Loewen group</u> was one of the largest funeral services industries in North America it was however crippled by financial and operational problems that contributed to its bankruptcy. A specific aspect that is underlying in the case concerns the major issues which might have caused the business's decline,

### **KEY ISSUES**

The Loewen Group grew mainly by unfriendly acquisition strategies, which left the firm with very high levels of leverage. Although this was a valid growth strategy, it put the company on a very risky financial situation. In the project, as the company continued to attain more funeral homes and cemeteries

### FINANCIAL STRAIN

Among the problems the main one was over-leveraging of the company. It established that the Loewen Group was highly leveraged and had a cash flow generated issue arising from its use of debt to fund acquisitions. Failure to generate enough revenues to offset the cost of interest added to the company's operational difficulties.

### CONCLUSION

The case of Loewen Group can be enlightening to those business people who are interested in the very fast growth of their companies on unstable financial and organizational basis. Although typically it can be stated that it might have been possible to avoid bankruptcy if the company looked for a more sensible and less unhealthy rate of growth and if the aspects of financial management were developed and enhanced.

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