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# MID-MARKET MARCH MADNESS

Capitalizing on M&A, Buyouts and Turnaround Opportunities

March 17 - 18, 2009 | The W Atlanta Midtown | Atlanta, GA







Ira L. Moreland
Managing Director
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

Whether you are a middle market (\$25M-\$1B) corporate executive, private equity or mezzanine fund, lender or an advisor, you don't want to miss this opportunity to hear and learn from the most notable investors, strategic buyers, executive management and advisors in the industry to discuss, analyze and debate the most critical concerns facing our industry today. Program highlights will include:

- State of the market: a year in review and future expectations
- What should GPs expect from the LP community in 2009 and beyond?
- In the current environment, is there an increase or decrease in the use of advisors and/or funds-of-funds by the LP community?
- How are financial sponsors responding to the changing environment?
- How to get deals financed in a very thin market
- How to cope with lenders in a distressed environment

and much more...

# **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

PROGRAM CHAIR

Latest Developments in Alternative Energy Investing

Neil Z. Auerbach Managing Partner Hudson Clean Energy Partners



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Now in its 9th year, **Insight** is pleased to announce the 2009 Middle Market March Madness conference. This event was developed with extensive input from recognized experts in the industry. It will bring together a diverse range of speakers to address various topics and direct advanced discussion and dialogue on the key issues and challenges that our industry is currently facing. The first day will examine the current state of the markets while the second will look at the opportunities that are available as well as new developments.

More than ever we expect this event to be an excellent opportunity to come together and share views and outlooks on the future development and direction of our industry.

# We look forward to seeing you in March!

Sincerely,

Ira L. Moreland

Managing Director

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

# Mid-Market Business Development Professionals:

- CEOs, CFOs, SVPs of Corporate Strategy and Development
- General Counsel

### General Partners and Limited Partners:

- Private Equity Funds
- Buyout Funds
- Mezzanine Funds

# Lenders, Deal Facilitators and Consultants:

- Private Placement Agents
- Investment Banks and Intermediaries

- Senior Lenders
- Deal Intermediaries
- Business Brokers
- Merger & Acquisition Specialists
- Distressed/Turnaround Managers

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- Accountants
- Due Diligence Firms
- Consultants and Appraisers

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# TUESDAY | MARCH 17, 2009

8:00 | 8:40

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:40 | 8:45

Welcoming Remarks from Insight

8:45 | 9:00

Chair's Opening Remarks

Ira L. Moreland

Managing Director

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

9:00 | 10:00

State of the Market: A Year in Review and

**Future Expectations** 

Moderator:

Mark Loeffler

Managing Director

VRA Partners

Bart McLean

Partner

MSouth Equity Partners

Michael K. Sheff

Managing Director

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

Bruce Sim

Senior Vice President and Division Manager

Wells Fargo Business Credit

10:00 | 10:15

**Networking Coffee Break** 

10:15 | 11:15

Fund Raising Environment Update

Moderator:

Martin R. Tilson, Jr.

Partner

**Burr & Forman LLP** 

Benjamin A. Bornstein

Managing Partner

Indigo Asset Management

Scott Hamner

Partner

Credit Suisse Customized Fund Investment Group

Tracy Harris

Director

Parish Capital Advisors, LLP

- Who is raising the funds and who is investing?
- What are the fee structures?

- How have redemptions changed the liquidity terms?
- Key differentiators for LPs in today's market

   what are LPs looking for from a fund manager in today's environment?
- GP marketing do's and don'ts
- What should GPs expect from the LP community in 2009 and beyond?
- What strategies are gaining more traction?
- In the current environment, is there an increase or decrease in the use of advisors and/or funds-of-funds by the LP community?

11:15 | 12:15

What is Going on in the Lending Market?

### Moderator:

Richard W. Grice

Partner

Alston + Bird LLP

Benjamin A. Bornstein

Managing Partner

Indigo Asset Management

David H. Kahn

Director of Investment Development

American Securities

Mark Kelley

Managing Director

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

John Rosin

Senior Vice President

GE Commercial Finance

- General state of the debt capital markets today
- Is the TARP stimulating middle-market leveraged lending?
- How have loan structures changed in the current environment?
- What do senior secured loan structures look like today?
- How have syndication processes changed and who are the investors today?
- Are there specific industry sectors or structures that the market particularly favors?
- How are existing transactions being impacted by changes in pricing and structure?
- How are financial sponsors responding to the changing environment?
- Where are the debt capital markets headed in the short, medium and long-terms?

12:15 | 1:45

**Networking Luncheon** 

1:45 | 2:45

# How Do You Create Deal Flow in A Declining Market?

John M. Camp III Partner

Southfield Capital

James A. McNair Senior Managing Director Corinthian Capital Group, LLC

- Developing new sources
- Redeveloping old sources
- Refining your systems
- Work your database / stay out there
- Go back in your files
- Set your group's focus and keep making your pitch
- Differentiate your group from the crowd
- Champion your victories
- Making the best of a changing landscape
- Watching for signs of the next boom
- Remembering to be nice

2:45 | 3:00

Networking Refreshment Break

3:00 | 4:15

Restructuring and Turnaround Opportunities and Strategies

### Moderator:

Joe Pegnia Senior Manager Grant Thornton LLP

Benjamin A. Bornstein Managing Partner Indigo Asset Management

Mark W. Kehaya Partner Meriturn

- Opportunities in non-traded distressed debt
- Effect of liquidity in distressed debt markets
- Due diligence considerations

4:15 | 5:00

Realigning and Improving your Company Portfolio

Joseph B. Alala, III President and CEO CapitalSouth Partners Funds Joshua D. Kuder Vice President Linx Partners

- Transparency
- Management
- Having clear and defined objectives

5:00

Conference Adjourns for the Day

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Continental Breakfast

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Mid-Market Healthcare Investment Opportunities

### Moderator:

Michael S. Cole, CPA

Managing Director, Healthcare Industry Leader

Transaction Advisory Group

Alvarez & Marsal

Jack Draughon

Director

Arcapita Inc.

**Todd Watkins** 

Managing Director

Houlihan Lokey

- Current state of healthcare investing
- Impact of the Obama administration on healthcare investing
- · Hot and cold sectors in healthcare

- Impact of the recession on healthcare investing
- Financing healthcare transactions in the current market

10:45 | 11:30

New Developments in Environmental Due Diligence

Timothy R. Henderson

Partner

Rich & Henderson, P.C. (Annapolis, MD)

Jeffrey W. Moore, P.G., P.E. CSI Environmental. L.L.C.

- Overview of environmental due diligence
- Recent cases and policies involving all appropriate enquiries rule, bona fide or innocent purchaser status and brownfield development
- Addressing environmental legacy problems
- Changes in environmental disclosure obligations under accounting principles and SEC rules
- Tools for overcoming of resolving environmental risks discovered
- Affect of economic downturn on environmental insurance products
- Projected impacts of Obama Administration environmental policies on transactions

11:30 | 12:45

**Networking Luncheon** 

12:45 | 2:00

Alternative Capital Solutions for Today's Middle-Market Transactions

John Balzer, CFA

Vice President

Goldman Sachs Specialty Lending Group

Kipp deVeer

Partner

Ares Management, LLC

Joel A. Holsinger

Managing Director

Fortress Investment Group

Joseph P. Longosz

Managing Director

Golub Capital

- Review of the current lending market
  - new issue terms/re-pricing
  - competition with secondary market
  - collapse of investors/current active investors
- How to get deals financed in a very thin market
  - traditional vs. alternative funding structures available

- covenant/structural requirements
- sectors in favor
- Coping with lenders in a distressed environment
  - best practices for companies/sponsors

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Networking Refreshment Break

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Bridging the Valuation Gap Between Sellers and Buyers Expectations

**Greg Cinnamon** 

Partner

Kilpatrick Stockton LLP

Trey Loughran

Senior Vice President – Mergers & Acquisitions Equifax Inc.

Dominic C. Mazzone

Managing Director

Mazzone & Associates

- Earn outs and other contingent payments
- Staged acquisitions
- Structural enhancements
- Hidden asset values
- Synergies
- Post-closing operations

3:00 | 4:00

How to Create Value and Opportunities in the Current Market

Neal P. Costello, CFA

Investment Manager

AlpInvest Partners Inc.

Ed Fisher

Managing Partner

SouthPointe Ventures, LLC

Bruce Sim

Senior Vice President and Division Manager Wells Fargo Business Credit

- Getting back to square one and identifying strategies that deliver real and profitable growth to an acquired company or significantly reduce costs either operationally or in the supply chain
- State of the secondary market: trends, changes and opportunities
- Outlook on revised middle-market performance expectations: what's hot and what's not

4:00

Conference Ends

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