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BUSINESS BANKERS AND TRUSTED FINANCIAL ADVISORS DO MUCH MORE THAN PROVIDE FINANCIAL SERVICES and advice. Having the right banker or finance pro on your side can, in fact, be the difference-maker for your organization, preparing it – with the right resources, capital and guidance – for the next level of growth.

Leadership of the banking sector has faced many key challenges during the past few years. The good news locally is that many of the country's top banking industry thought leaders are based in the LA region.

With 2026 well into its second half, and businesses focused intently on fiscal planning and protecting the bottom line, bankers are perhaps more essential than ever. There are some particularly stellar bank and finance industry thought leaders in the LA region and we've alphabetically listed some of the very best of them here, along with key information about their careers, practice and some relevant recent successes they've achieved.

Methodology: The professionals featured in these pages did not pay to be included. Their profiles were drawn from nomination materials submitted to the Los Angeles Business Journal. Those selected for inclusion were reviewed by the editorial department. The professionals were chosen based on a demonstration of impact made on the profession and on the Los Angeles community.

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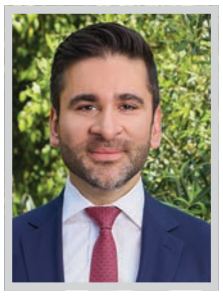
GEOFFREY ARROBIO

First Vice President
Matthews

Geoffrey Arrobio doesn't just close transactions. He builds markets, mentors careers, and shapes how capital flows through commercial real estate. With more than 30 years in the industry and $2.1 billion in personally advised and secured financing, he has earned a reputation as one of the most trusted commercial real estate mortgage bankers on the West Coast.

Arrobio's career arc reflects the full spectrum of the industry. He began as an analyst at JLL and a private banker at Community Bank in Pasadena before rising through nationally recognized institutions. When he joined Matthews Capital Markets in 2023 as first vice president, he brought institutional depth to a rapidly growing national platform, expanding its West Coast capital markets reach and deepening lender coverage across the country.



HASAN ASKARI

Managing Partner; Co-Founder
K1 Investment Management

Hasan Askari is co-founder and managing partner of K1 Investment Management, one of the largest private equity firms globally dedicated exclusively to small-cap, AI-powered enterprise software. Since co-founding K1 in 2011, Askari has helped build the firm from the ground up into a $25 billion AUM platform with a portfolio spanning more than 275 software companies across 25+ countries.

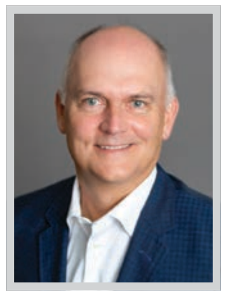
Askari's investment philosophy is rooted in a simple but powerful belief: the most transformative companies aren't bought — they're built. K1's model is to partner early with founders and management teams, providing not just capital but deep operational infrastructure to help companies scale into category leaders. Under his co-leadership, K1 has developed a differentiated approach that drives alignment, focus, and disciplined execution.

KAMAL BAJORIA

Managing Director, Financial Institutions & Real Estate Investment Banking
Wedbush

Over the course of 20 years, Kamal Bajoria has established himself as one of the financial services industry's most trusted strategic advisors, guiding his clients through periods of significant market disruption and transformation. His ability to identify opportunities where others see obstacles has earned him the reputation of being a "banker's banker" – a trusted advisor sought out by financial executives and institutions navigating complex, highly regulated environments.

Bajoria's impact was particularly evident during the global financial crisis and the years that followed. As community banks faced an unprecedent challenge, he played a critical role in advising clients and raising billions of dollars in institutional capital to recapitalize financial institutions. He has continued to deliver transformative results for clients during pivotal moments.



CHRIS BALL

Managing Director
CriticalPoint

Chris Ball has spent more than 25 years at the intersection of investment banking, business management, and product development — building a career defined by one consistent mission: helping entrepreneurs maximize the value of what they have built.

At CriticalPoint, Ball sources and executes sell-side mergers and acquisitions, working directly with business owners to structure transactions that reflect the true strategic and financial value of their companies. That work requires not only technical deal expertise, but the ability to earn the trust of founders who are often making the most consequential financial decision of their lives. Ball's background equips him to do both. Over a 25-year career, Ball has built something genuinely valuable: a professional life that bridges engineering, operations, entrepreneurship, and investment banking.

KEITH BANNER

Partner
Greenberg Glusker

Keith Patrick Banner focuses his practice on business insolvency and distressed transactions with relevant experience in a variety of industries, including retail, entertainment, technology and real estate.

Providing a calm and understanding approach to what often amounts to a rather tumultuous time for a business, Banner helps guide companies through a myriad of insolvency solutions that are appropriate for the particular circumstance, including out-of-court transactions, such as the refinance of complex loan facilities or an assignment for the benefit of creditors ("ABC"); or through the bankruptcy court in a chapter 11 reorganization or chapter 7 liquidation. In addition to representing distressed businesses, Banner also represents bankruptcy trustees in chapter 11 and chapter 7 cases.

RYAN BARNCASTLE

Partner; Private Equity Co-Chair
Barnes & Thornburg

Ryan Barncastle is a partner in Barnes & Thornburg's Los Angeles office, co-chair of the firm's Private Equity practice and a member of its Management Committee. He represents private equity funds, independent sponsors, family offices, institutional investors, lenders and strategic buyers in corporate, finance and securities transactions, with a focus on middle-market M&A, structured financings and private credit across the healthcare, technology, consumer products and manufacturing sectors.

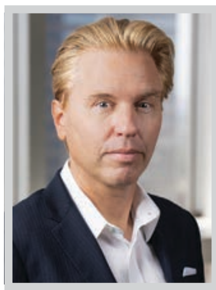
Barncastle led the Barnes & Thornburg team that represented Health Intelligence Company, LLC (BHI), and its equity owners in the sale of substantially all of BHI's assets to the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. He also advised Sporos Capital Partners, a private investment firm focused on emerging industries, on strategic investments in Quantum Space, LLC.

BARBARA BERNSTEIN

Wealth Management Advisor
Fortuna Wealth Management, Legacy Strategies and Insurance Solutions

Barbara Bernstein works closely with clients to articulate their goals and connect them to the tools that are available to bring those goals to fruition. With over a decade of experience in financial planning and client relationship management, Bernstein has honed her skills in guiding individuals towards their financial aspirations.

Bernstein understands that many people are overwhelmed by financial complexities such as investment management, and even with success in their field, integrating their goals and their finances can be daunting. Now she enjoys helping people identify their most important goals and help them devise a roadmap for getting there. Bernstein follows a consistent investment and financial planning philosophy which ensures that all plans are well-tailored.



WARREN BIRO

Partner
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP

Warren Biro is a partner in Manatt, Phelps & Phillips' Los Angeles Office. Biro's practice focuses on representing clients in a variety of commercial lending and financing transactions, including asset-based and cash flow credit facilities, venture debt financings and leveraged acquisitions.

Biro works with financial institutions, private equity firms, investment banks, commercial banks and other sources of debt capital across the entire venture debt and commercial lending spaces. Biro has represented agents, lenders, participants and companies in numerous credit facilities and works with lenders and production companies on their television, digital media and film-related financings. He represented a major banking company in the closing of a $475 million senior secured syndicated credit facility to a leading beverage manufacturer.

MATTHEW BURKE

Partner, Business Management
Mercer Advisors

For over four decades, Matthew Burke has been a pillar of the Los Angeles financial community, spending the last 36 years building his practice at Singer Burke as a premier, trusted advisor to Hollywood's top creative talent, showrunners, and media executives. Burke consistently stands out in a volatile financial landscape through a proactive, forward-thinking approach and a holistic philosophy built on deep client relationships, open communication, and an intrinsic understanding of each client's unique goals – earning him the reputation of being the "Zen Money Guy."

Under Burke's strategic leadership, the firm was acquired by Mercer Global Advisors. In this new chapter, Burke continues to guide the practice, scaling operations while anchoring the specialized financial stewardship his clients have trusted for decades.

ROBERT CHANPONG

SVP; Portfolio Manager, Merrill Lynch Wealth Advisor
Merrill Lynch

With more than 25 years in wealth management and with Merrill Lynch, Robert Chanpong is an award-winning leader who has built a successful eight-person advisory office — The Chanpong Uffelman Group — and career guiding affluent individuals, families and businesses across Los Angeles. Since joining Merrill in 2000, he has developed a practice focused on comprehensive planning and portfolio management for business owners, corporate executives as well as complex sports- and entertainment-industries and clients.

In 2025, Chanpong achieved a personal high of nearly $390 million in assets he manages for clients, while his broader team oversees $640 million in assets under management. A core area of his expertise is guiding clients through retirement and multi-generational transitions.

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CHRIS CHEN

Portfolio Manager, Merrill Lynch Wealth Advisor
Merrill Lynch

Chris Chen is a portfolio manager and wealth management advisor at Merrill Lynch, where he is the founder and lead advisor of Chen & Associates in Pasadena. Since joining the firm in 2017, he has emerged as one of the youngest and fastest-growing advisors in the country. From a standing start, Chen has built a thriving practice that oversees approximately $450 million in client assets and generates more than $3.6 million in annual revenue in under nine years.

Chen's growth has been driven by disciplined client acquisition, exceptional long-term retention, and the ability to deliver institutional-quality strategies tailored to high-net-worth individuals, families, and entrepreneurs. His practice is known for its analytical rigor and highly customized approach, helping clients navigate complex financial landscapes with clarity.

CHRIS CHO

EVP; Regional Chief Banking Officer
Hanmi Bank

Chris Cho has built a banking career spanning more than two decades across commercial lending, community banking, and capital markets. Throughout his career, he has focused on helping businesses, including many based in Los Angeles, address financing challenges, support growth, and navigate changing market conditions.

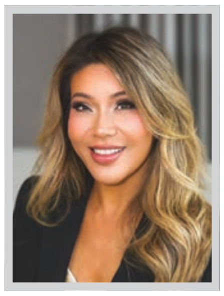
In 2013, Cho joined Hanmi Bank, the first Korean American bank founded in the United States, at a pivotal point in the bank's evolution. Over these past 11 years, he has played a key role in expanding Hanmi's commercial banking platform and geographic footprint. During his tenure, he has consistently grown the portfolio under his management by 50-100% annually, resulting in cumulative growth of more than 50 times in loans and deposits.

ERIK DANIELS

Senior Vice President; Head, SBA Lending
U.S. Bank

Erik Daniels has established himself as a leading voice in small business finance and a driving force behind U.S. Bank's national SBA lending strategy. As head of SBA Lending, he leads the organization responsible for delivering capital solutions to small businesses across the country, helping entrepreneurs start, scale, and sustain their operations. Under his leadership, U.S. Bank has consistently ranked among the top SBA lenders nationally and holds a leading position in California and the Los Angeles market—an achievement reflecting both disciplined execution and a deep commitment to client outcomes.

Daniels' career is distinguished by his ability to translate complex financial structures into practical, accessible solutions for business owners. He has also played a critical role in strengthening U.S. Bank's SBA platform.

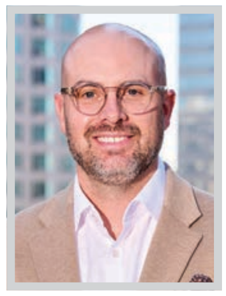


JACKY DILFER

CEO
Business Finance Capital

Jacky Dilfer is a commercial and SBA lending expert—she's a dedicated leader and trusted advisor, helping each of her clients grow their businesses, create job opportunities and better serve their communities. Her vast experience in commercial lending extends two decades in the San Francisco Bay Area and Southern California where she's led Business Finance Capital's (BFC's) rapid growth as the organization's executive director for more than 12 years.

Under Dilfer's leadership, BFC has funded more than 1,000 commercial real estate transactions for small and medium-sized businesses since 2012. In just the last decade, Dilfer has arranged more than $5 billion in commercial and SBA loans, cementing her position in the lending community as a go-to business consultant, strategist and adviser.

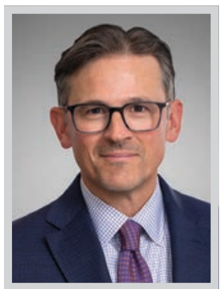


TYRONE DINNEEN

Financial Advisor
Northwestern Mutual

Tyrone Dinneen's mission is to provide professionals, families, and business owners with goal-based, wealth-building financial plans that will stand the test of time. By aligning knowledge of employer benefits with strategies around tax efficiency, wealth building, and wealth preservation, Tyrone and his team create the ultimate value for their clients.

A desire to find work that was both meaningful and economically promising led Dinneen to join Northwestern Mutual. His goal was to continue helping professionals working in the non-profit space who typically lack access to financial planning. As time progressed, he expanded his client base to begin working with business owners and tech professionals. Not only does Dinneen serve clients, but he also serves as a formal mentor and leader for new advisors joining the firm.



JOSEPH DUNN

Partner; Chair, Restructuring & Bankruptcy Practice
Covington & Burling LLP

As a seasoned restructuring, bankruptcy and creditor rights attorney, Joseph (Joe) Dunn has developed a unique practice representing borrowers, lenders, other creditors and insolvency fiduciaries, and pursuing asset recovery, judgment enforcement, and litigation in the insolvency arena. Dunn's broad-ranging restructuring and litigation practice draws on his significant experience with complex bankruptcy cases, creditor rights litigation, and other insolvency scenarios.

Dunn has a track record of successfully representing institutional lenders, private funds, indenture trustees, liquidating/litigation trustees and other fiduciaries in insolvency matters, and pursuing complex asset recovery matters, often through litigation focused on piercing fraudulent schemes and offshore asset protection devices.

ANDREW ERICKSON

Senior Vice President, Business Development
TMC Financing

Andrew Erickson is a senior commercial real estate lending professional with over a decade of experience helping small and mid-sized businesses access capital and achieve long-term growth through ownership. As senior vice president of business development at TMC Financing, he specializes in the SBA 504 loan program, guiding business owners through complex transactions with clarity, transparency, and a strong commitment to long-term client success.

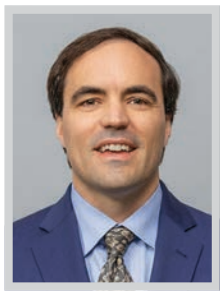
Over the course of his career, Erickson has helped facilitate more than $800 million in total commercial real estate financing, including approximately $650 million prior to joining TMC Financing and more than $182 million in total project financing during his tenure at TMC. His work has directly supported the creation of more than 585 jobs.

BRIAN FORMISANO

California Regional Executive, Branch and Small Business Banking
U.S. Bank

Brian Formisano is a seasoned banking leader with more than 25 years of experience driving growth, transformation, and team performance across some of the most competitive financial markets in the country. Currently serving as executive vice president and regional executive for branch and small business banking in California at U.S. Bank, he oversees operations spanning multiple major markets and leads teams serving hundreds of thousands of clients across the state.

Throughout his career, Formisano has demonstrated a unique ability to scale complex retail banking organizations while maintaining a strong focus on client relationships and community impact. Prior to joining U.S. Bank, he held senior leadership roles at a national financial institution.



MATTHEW FOURNIER

Wealth Partner; Managing Director
J.P. Morgan Wealth Management

As a managing director and wealth partner with The Fournier Group, Matthew Fournier actively manages over $1.3 billion in client assets, working with entertainers, entrepreneurs, and athletes, among many others.

Over the past five years, the team's fixed income accounts have outperformed a number of benchmarks after realized fees. Looking forward, Fournier's goals continue to be to help clients define and exceed their financial objectives, while delivering risk-adjusted returns that outperform existing benchmarks. Fournier also helped start GovInvest, a technology company whose mission is to help governments solve their biggest problems. The software is used by over 1000 governments. It was named a 'Technology Pioneer' by the World Economic Forum.

SASHA FRID

Partner
Miller Barondess, LLP

A founding partner of Miller Barondess and distinguished trial lawyer, Sasha Frid is trusted by commercial banks, investment banks, and private equity firms to handle their complex and high-stakes matters.

Frid is currently representing Zions Bancorporation, N.A., doing business as California Bank & Trust in a commercial lending fraud action seeking recovery of more than $60 million in unpaid loans. The case arises from revolving credit facilities extended to Cantor Group II, LLC and Cantor Group IV, LLC to finance the acquisition of distressed commercial mortgage loans. Frid swiftly obtained writs of attachment against the guarantors totaling approximately $60 million, securing a significant early victory for the bank. Frid also represented CriticalPoint Partners LLC in a hard-fought arbitration.

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JACKY DILFER, CEO
BUSINESS FINANCE CAPITAL

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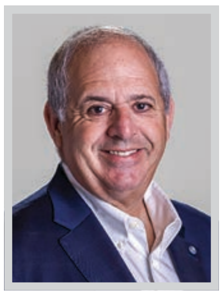
SCOTT GALER

Co-Chair, Mergers & Acquisitions Practice
Stubbs Alderton Markiles, LLP

Scott Galer, a partner at Stubbs Alderton & Markiles and co-chair of the firm's Mergers & Acquisitions Practice, has over 20 years of experience working with middle-market and emerging growth companies at all stages along their evolutionary path. His practice focuses on counseling private and public middle-market and emerging growth companies in areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities offerings, joint ventures, complex brand and technology licensing and other strategic business arrangements.

Galer has expertise in managing a wide variety of corporate and financial transactions, including mergers, stock and asset acquisitions and dispositions, roll-up and spin-off transactions, debt and equity financings, secured lending transactions, public offerings and financial restructurings.



MARK GLASKY

California Regional President
Valley Bank

Mark Glasky is a highly accomplished commercial banking executive with more than 40 years of experience driving growth, leading high-performing teams, and delivering complex financial solutions across the West Coast. As regional president for Valley Bank in Los Angeles, he leads the bank's California platform, overseeing strategic expansion and strengthening relationships with commercial and middle-market clients in a highly competitive market.

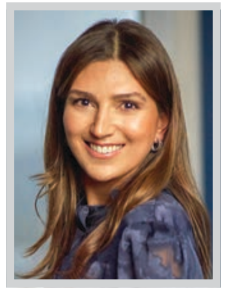
Prior to joining Valley, Glasky held senior leadership roles at BMO and Bank of the West, where he led Bank of the West's nationwide expansion and directed national commercial banking strategies across 41 offices, overseeing more than $20 billion in loans and deposits. His leadership through integration and transformation initiatives highlights his ability to execute complex strategies.

TAMARA GURNEY

CEO; President
Mission Valley Bank

Tamara Gurney serves as the founding president and CEO of Mission Valley Bank, where she has been instrumental in shaping the institution's long-term vision, culture, and growth strategy. Under her leadership, Mission Valley Bank has grown into a respected community banking institution with approximately $772.6 million in assets as of March 2026. The bank operates three branches and specialized divisions focused on accounts receivable lending, specialty banking, merchant services, community development, and commercial lending solutions, serving the needs of more than 6,000 clients.

Gurney is widely recognized for her innovative, relationship-driven leadership style and unwavering commitment to personalized client service. Her philosophy centers on ensuring that every banker understands not only their clients' names, but also their clients' "why."



LAUREN HANSEN

Managing Director
Intrepid Investment Bankers

Lauren Hansen is a managing director and co-head of the Beauty, Personal Care & Wellness practice at Intrepid. She joined Intrepid in 2015 and has since focused exclusively on advising clients across the beauty, personal care and wellness sector. Hansen was named co-head of beauty, personal care & wellness at Intrepid Investment Bankers in 2023 as a result of her increasing role, responsibility and leadership within the industry group.

With a decade of beauty mergers and acquisitions experience, Hansen has a strong understanding of the trends and value-drivers across the sector, close relationships with leading acquirors and investors, and significant experience sourcing and executing transactions. Prior to joining Intrepid, Hansen worked at Herbalife International as a member of the Global Contact Strategy Team.

GREG HEBNER

Chief Executive Officer
Arixa Capital

Greg Hebner has built Arixa Capital into one of the fastest-growing private real estate lending platforms. Since inception, Arixa has surpassed $8 billion in total loan originations and financed more than 15,000 housing units nationwide, all managed from its Los Angeles headquarters. These figures place the firm among the top private lenders in California and nationally by internal estimates.

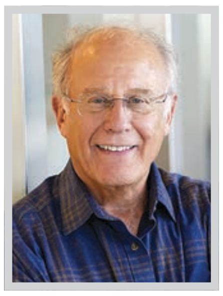
Hebner has accelerated Arixa's growth in a period when many regional and community banks have pulled back from lending on residential construction and investment projects. In 2024, the firm originated $1.4 billion in loans, followed by more than $2.0 billion in 2025, representing a record year. Hebner has overseen major capital markets initiatives to support the firm's growth.

JENNIFER HILDEBRANDT

Partner
Paul Hastings

Jennifer Hildebrandt has built one of the most technically distinctive transactional lending practices in the state, one defined by the complexity of the work she takes on and the consistency she delivers. Her practice sits at the intersection of banking, finance and restructuring, which gave her a decisive edge. She began her career as a bankruptcy practitioner, and that foundation informs everything she does on the front end of a transaction.

When Hildebrandt structures a credit facility, she is already thinking about how the deal unwinds, how the client gets paid back, and where the documents could be exploited if things go sideways. That upstream risk awareness is not common, and her lender clients depend on it.



JONATHAN R. HODES

Partner; Co-Chair,
Mergers & Acquisitions Practice
Stubbs Alderton Markiles, LLP

With a legal career spanning over 50 years, Jonathan R. Hodes, partner of Stubbs Alderton & Markiles and co-chair of the Mergers and Acquisitions Practice group, specializes in buy side and sell side domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, management buy-outs, leveraged buy-outs, leveraged recaps, mezzanine and senior debt financing transactions, work-outs and secured lending and leasing transactions.

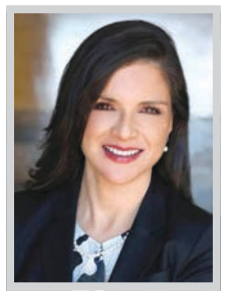
Hodes' focus emphasizes M&A activity in the middle market and also includes representation of emerging growth companies from inception through various tiers of venture capital and growth financing often with the goal of an exit through a sale, merger, IPO or other corporate finance transaction. He devotes significant time to private equity deals.

MARSHA HOUSTON

Partner
Reed Smith

Marsha Houston is an equity partner with Reed Smith LLP and is an active member of the firm's Executive Committee where she acts as an advocate and fiduciary for the firm. Her clients praise her for her practical thinking, strategic advice, and creative solutions.

Houston has decades of experience, and her practice focuses in the area of commercial restructuring and bankruptcy. She successfully led a cross-disciplinary team of more than 15 restructuring, litigation, insurance recovery, and appellate attorneys in a six-year litigation dispute that resulted from a failed hotel development project in the Coachella Valley and award of judgment in excess of $30 million for her client. The complex disputes involved more than fourteen separate litigation matters and four separate trials.

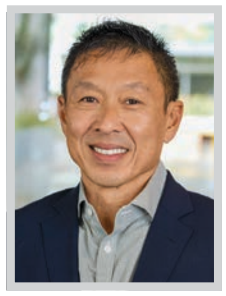


MARIA HUNTER

Market President, Los Angeles
Enterprise Bank & Trust

Maria Hunter joined Enterprise Bank & Trust as a senior vice president in 2022 and quickly distinguished herself with exceptional proficiency in both financial analysis and team leadership, earning a near-immediate promotion to relationship manager team lead. Continued professional excellence coupled with an unwavering commitment to excellence throughout her initial years at Enterprise led to her 2025 appointment to the role of market president, Los Angeles.

In her role, Hunter leads an expert team of banking professionals in providing strategic guidance for the development and implementation of innovative financial solutions tailored to the evolving needs of small and midsize businesses. She focuses on driving visibility and market growth for Enterprise in Los Angeles and the surrounding Southern California communities.



DEAN INDOT

Director, Private Client Group
Western Alliance Bank

Dean Indot is founding director of Western Alliance Bank's Private Client Group, a national banking group launched in 2025 to deliver concierge banking and mortgage solutions designed to meet the complex needs of clients and their other trusted advisors. With more than 20 years of banking industry experience in Los Angeles, Indot has built an outstanding reputation as a trusted advisor for clients throughout the region. He has been with Western Alliance Bank since 2013.

Indot leads a growing team of 13 committed banking professionals in the Western Alliance Private Client Group from the company's Beverly Hills office, where he and the group are based. Though still less than two years old, Indot's group is delivering incredibly successful results, serving hundreds of clients in multiple states.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mark Glasky!

Valley Bank is proud to celebrate our California Market President, **Mark Glasky**, for being named a 2026 Leader of Influence in Banking & Finance.

This honor is a testament to Mark's leadership, industry expertise, and contributions to the broader Los Angeles business community.

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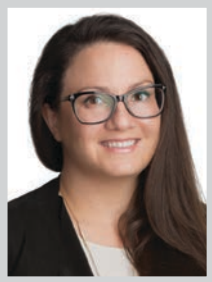


SHADI JAHANGIR

Partner

Blank Rome LLP

California's middle market requires counsel who can manage complex transactions and navigate competing client demands. These are the matters that define Shadi Enos Jahangir's practice. As a partner in Blank Rome's Los Angeles office, she leads sophisticated lending transactions from structuring through execution. She advises financial institutions, private equity sponsors, and corporate borrowers on syndicated and single-lender financings, acquisition transactions, and restructurings.

Jahangir's work consistently centers on transactions that affect how companies grow, restructure, and operate. Clients rely on her to manage these matters and carry them through to completion with clarity and steady execution.

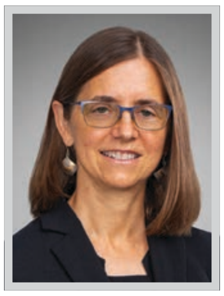
MOLLIE KAISER

Private Wealth Advisor

Strategic View Advisors

As a private wealth advisor, Mollie Kaiser develops customized financial strategies designed to protect, preserve, and grow wealth for the clients of Strategic View Advisors (SVA). With nearly 20 years of experience in the wealth management industry, she supports individuals and families through every stage of their financial journeys, from launching their careers to building lasting legacies. Through her unwavering dedication and tireless effort, she earned the opportunity to become a partner at SVA in 2025.

A passionate advocate for financial education, Kaiser brings her extensive knowledge to the center of every client interaction. She approaches each relationship with the care and attention she would offer a family member or close friend, striving to ensure clients leave every meeting with greater clarity and confidence.



KATE KRAUS

Partner

Covington & Burling LLP

Kate Kraus is nationally recognized and has more than 20 years of experience in tax planning and structuring. She advises on a wide range of partnership, corporate, and real estate matters, including joint ventures, fund formations, financing transactions, mergers and acquisitions, restructurings, liquidations, debt workouts, bankruptcies, and REIT transactions.

Kraus has advised on numerous transactions involving professional sports teams and leagues, including Justin Ishbia's investment in the Chicago White Sox (the team is valued by Forbes at around $2 billion) with options to buy out the Reinsdorf family after 2028, and the buyout of the Miller family's remaining interest in the Utah Jazz (the team was valued at $3.55 billion by Forbes in October 2024).

VERONICA LAH

Partner

Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP

Veronica Lah is a partner in Manatt's Cross-Industry M&A, Private Equity, Capital Markets and Finance practice. She is a highly sought-after adviser representing public and private companies, investors and financial institutions in a wide range of corporate matters. Lah focuses her practice on capital markets, securities, M&A, joint ventures, corporate governance and board advisory services, and other corporate and financial transactions. She represents clients in corporate transactions spanning numerous industries, including financial services, entertainment, technology, consumer products, health care and real estate.

Lah co-leads Manatt's team as counsel to CVB Financial Corp., a bank holding company which owns Citizens Business Bank, in connection with its proposed acquisition of Heritage Bank for approximately $811 million.

BRIAN LEVIN

Managing Director

Intrepid Investment Bankers

Brian Levin is managing director and head of the Food, Beverage & Agriculture (FBA) practice. Within the industry, Levin advises clients within the consumer-packaged goods, distribution, private label, ingredients, nutrition, and other key sectors of the industry. Since joining Intrepid in 2010, before focusing exclusively on the FBA sector, Levin has completed transactions across the consumer sector, including Toys & Giftware, Lifestyle Brands, and Beauty, Personal Care and Wellness.

In addition to his deal-related responsibilities, Levin continues to play a role in the recruiting efforts of the firm. In that capacity, he sets the tone for finding and identifying candidates who embody the Intrepid culture and tenacity. Levin was previously a syndication officer at CapitalSource Finance, where he focused on underwriting and syndicating leverage finance transactions.

NEIL MALIK

CEO; Managing Partner; Founder

K1 Investment Management

Neil Malik is the founder and CEO of K1 Investment Management, a firm he established in 2011 with a clear and contrarian belief: that the most compelling opportunity in private equity wasn't in large-cap software buyouts — it was in the smallest, most innovative enterprise technology companies, where institutional capital and operational expertise were scarce and alpha was abundant.

Now, 15 years later, K1 has grown to more than $25 billion in assets under management, with a portfolio of more than 275 enterprise software companies spanning 25+ countries. K1 is now recognized as one of the largest investors in small-cap enterprise software globally — and one of the most consistent performers in private equity, ranked #13 globally in the 2025 HEC Paris–Dow Jones Private Equity Performance Ranking.

ANDREW MANIER

Founder; Director, Investment Services

Sage Capital

Andrew Manier is the founder and private wealth advisor of Sage Capital, a member firm of the Northwestern Mutual Private Client Group. He has spent almost two decades building a nationally recognized investment and financial planning practice of medical professionals, business owners, and affluent families. He is dedicated to enriching the lives of his clients and partners through trusted advice and personalized planning.

Manier is deeply rooted in advising on comprehensive retirement, investment, and estate planning strategies. He has in-depth knowledge of tax-efficient and business planning, working with both individuals and businesses, helping to navigate the ever-changing financial landscape. Backed by the strength and resources of Northwestern Mutual, he and his team give clients access to a comprehensive range of products and services.

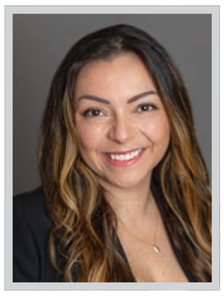
MARIANNE MARTIN

Partner

Jeffer Mangels & Mitchell LLP

Marianne S. Martin is a corporate finance partner at Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP in the firm's Los Angeles office, specializing in borrower-side representations for founder-owned, sponsor-backed and private credit fund companies. With a focus on complex syndicated, distressed/special situations and fund financing transactions, Martin has built a reputation as a trusted advisor to businesses navigating their financing needs. Her practice spans industries including business services, industrials, and private credit, reflecting her ability to tailor strategies to the unique challenges and opportunities of each sector.

In the past 18 months, Martin has successfully advised on over $800 million in financing transactions, addressing the needs of borrowers in bespoke and often high-pressure scenarios.



MONICA MARTINEZ

Managing Director

CriticalPoint

Monica Martinez has spent more than 15 years at the forefront of investment and financial leadership in Los Angeles — from leading complex M&A transactions at Deloitte to her current role driving portfolio strategy at CriticalPoint.

Martinez leads mergers and acquisitions and supports the private investment strategy at CriticalPoint, a Los Angeles-based investment bank that bridges investment banking and private capital to serve clients across the full deal lifecycle. In this role, she evaluates new investment opportunities, structures and executes transactions, and drives value creation across the firm's portfolio. Her most significant recent achievement is her central role in the successful sale of United E&C — CriticalPoint's largest investment realization to date.

JOHN MASLAND

Partner

Blank Rome LLP

John Masland, a partner in Blank Rome LLP's Finance, Restructuring & Bankruptcy group, advises banks, financial institutions, and private credit providers on complex commercial lending and corporate finance transactions across the middle market. His practice spans asset-based and cash flow lending, recurring revenue-based financings, and other highly structured transactions. He leads deal teams on sophisticated financings, including unitranche and syndicated facilities, cross-border transactions, and acquisition financings. He is particularly recognized for his ability to manage complex, multi-creditor transactions.

Masland has consistently advised administrative agents on large syndicated facilities, including a syndicated credit facility of approximately $500 million for a construction company.

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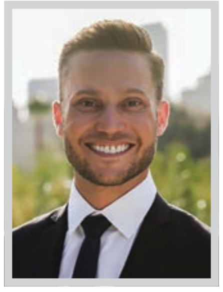


MARK MASLIAH

Wealth Management Advisor
Northwestern Mutual

Mark Masliah is a distinguished financial advisor with Northwestern Mutual, providing personalized financial solutions for young professionals, high-net-worth families, businesses, and institutions. With deep industry expertise and a client-centered approach, Masliah helps individuals and organizations build, protect, and preserve wealth through every stage of life.

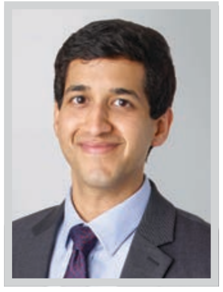
As a wealth management advisor, Masliah specializes in asset accumulation strategies and highly customized financial planning. His clients span the entertainment, technology, and real estate sectors, and benefit from his ability to navigate complex financial landscapes with clarity and precision. Masliah holds real estate, life and health, Series 6, 63, and 7 licenses, and has earned the CFP, ChFC, QPFC, and CLTC designations.

SANDRA LEE MONTGOMERY

Partner
Proskauer

Sandra Lee Montgomery, a trailblazing partner at Proskauer and former member of the firm's Executive Committee, is one of the most influential figures in the private capital and finance landscape. In an industry historically dominated by men, she has built an extraordinary reputation as a premier advisor to private credit institutions, consistently steering complex, high-value transactions that shape today's financial markets. In 2025 alone—well before year-end— Montgomery closed more than $5.5 billion in private credit transactions across the US, with several additional matters still expected to close.

With nearly three decades of experience, Montgomery's practice encompasses the full spectrum of sophisticated financing transactions.

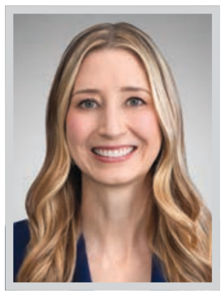


BHARAT MOUDGIL

Partner
Proskauer

Bharat Moudgil is a partner in Proskauer's Corporate Department and a member of the market-leading Private Credit Group. He represents private credit providers, including direct lending funds, business development companies and other institutional investors.

Moudgil regularly advises on acquisition financings, working capital facilities, holdco and back-levered structures, preferred equity-linked transactions and other non-traditional financing arrangements. His experience spans industries including life sciences, infrastructure, technology, entertainment and business services. In the past year, Moudgil has led numerous significant transactions, including large-cap financings for public companies and highly structured middle-market deals.



ABIGAIL O'BRIENT

Partner
Covington & Burling LLP

Abby O'Brient's wide-ranging restructuring and creditor rights litigation practice focuses on representation of secured and unsecured creditors in insolvency cases and other proceedings nationwide. She routinely represents parties in litigation related to insolvency and distressed debt in state and federal court, as well as purchasers and sellers of distressed assets and fiduciaries in bankruptcy cases and other insolvency matters.

Outside of the insolvency arena, O'Brient has significant judgment enforcement and asset recovery experience. Her clients value her practical, business-oriented approach to resolving legal issues and her ability to coordinate and manage proceedings pending in multiple courts to achieve positive litigation outcomes. O'Brient is a first generation college graduate that has risen to the top.

MARIA PEARMAN

Partner; Food and Beverage Practice Leader
GHJ

Maria Pearman is GHJ's Food and Beverage Practice leader and a fractional CFO at Blueprint CFO, a fractional CFO firm acquired by GHJ in 2025. As a nationally recognized expert in the beverage alcohol space, Maria has built her career around helping beverage companies — from startups to established producers — optimize financial performance and find success during complex transitions. Today, as a fractional CFO, she supports clients with their internal accounting processes, financial reviews, budgeting, cash flow forecasting, financial strategy and succession planning.

Pearman regularly teaches for respected organizations, such as the University of Vermont's Business of Craft Beer program and the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States Academy.

LEADERS OF INFLUENCE: BANKING & FINANCE

JOHN B. PETRICK

Senior Managing Director
Perennial Financial Services

John B. Petrick is one of the most accomplished independent wealth managers of his generation as a co-founder, proven builder, and trusted voice in the financial services industry whose career reflects both exceptional client outcomes and genuine leadership in the field.

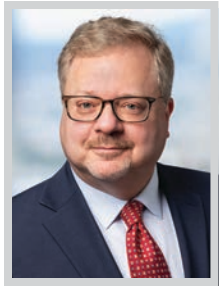
In 2004, Petrick co-founded Perennial Financial Services alongside Chris Nowakowski with a clear and deliberate vision: to deliver highly customized financial planning and investment management to families, foundations, institutions, and business owners who deserve more than a one-size-fits-all approach. More than two decades later, that vision has produced a thriving, independent firm recognized among the best in the country.

HEATHER QUINN

Wealth Management Advisor
Fortuna Wealth Management, Legacy Strategies and Insurance Solutions

Heather Quinn's ultimate goal is to help individuals live their lives to the fullest potential while ensuring the security of their families and the longevity of their financial resources. She skillfully guides her clients through the complexities of managing their income and optimizing their benefits. As a financial advisor, Quinn remains committed to professional growth and excellence.

Quinn understands that many people are overwhelmed by financial complexities such as investment management, and even with success in their field, integrating their goals and their finances can be daunting. She helps people identify their most important goals and help them devise a roadmap for getting there.

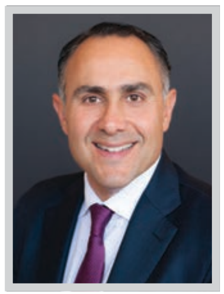


UZZI RAANAN

Partner
Greenberg Glusker

For the last 33 years, Uzzi Raanan has worked as a government attorney, a civil litigator, and as a bankruptcy attorney. At the Office of the California Attorney General, he handled felony appeals and writs in state and federal courts. Raanan spent five years at Manning & Marder, Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez, LLP, where he litigated complex private attorney general qui tam lawsuits brought by insurance companies against major fraud rings.

In April 2025, Raanan joined Greenberg Glusker, LLP, as a partner in the firm's Bankruptcy Department, where he advises entities and individuals regarding out-of-court workouts, among other insolvency matters. He successfully defended the former Chapter 11 trustee East Coast Foods, Inc. (owner of Roscoe's Chicken & Waffles IP) regarding Barton Doctrine disputes.

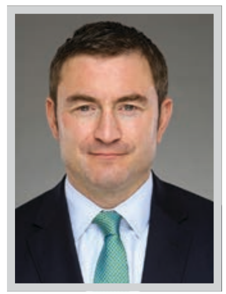


PAUL RAHIMIAN

Founder; CEO
Parkview Financial

Since founding Parkview Financial in 2009, Paul Rahimian has established himself as one of the most influential leaders in private real estate lending. As CEO and founder, he transformed Parkview from a startup operation into a nationally recognized direct private lender with offices in Los Angeles, New York, and Las Vegas. Under his leadership, the firm has originated and serviced more than $4 billion in financing across multifamily, retail, industrial, mixed-use, and condominium developments throughout the United States.

What distinguishes Rahimian from others in the industry is his unique perspective as a third-generation real estate developer and general contractor. Before launching Parkview, he personally completed more than $350 million in commercial and residential development projects.



MATTHEW RECHNER

Senior Banking Director, Los Angeles and Santa Barbara
Northern Trust

Matthew Rechner's career is defined by sustained excellence, strategic leadership and a deep commitment to advancing holistic wealth management solutions for clients and partners. With more than 28 years of experience across banking and wealth management, his most significant accomplishments are rooted in his ability to build, scale and lead high-performing teams.

In his current role as senior banking director for Northern Trust in Los Angeles, Rechner has played an instrumental role in reshaping and expanding the firm's regional banking and wealth management presence. Under his leadership, the Los Angeles region's balance sheet has grown fourfold over the past decade—a testament to his disciplined approach to capital advisory.

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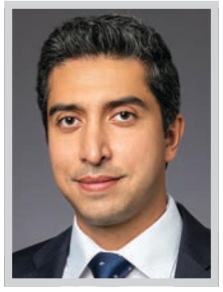


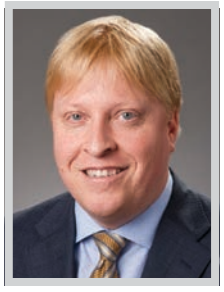
PAUL REZVANI

Partner

Kirkland & Ellis LLP

Paul Rezvani is a debt finance partner in the Los Angeles office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP where he continuously leads complex financing transactions for some of the Firms' most prominent clients. He regularly advises global private equity firms, their portfolio companies, hedge funds, asset managers, alternative capital sources and other private and public companies in connection with the negotiation, structuring and documentation of secured and unsecured financing transactions for both borrowers and lenders, including senior, mezzanine and subordinated debt transactions, acquisition financings, dividend recapitalizations and loan workouts and restructurings.

Rezvani has led several of the largest and most high-profile recent transactions across sectors including software, technology, industrials and healthcare.



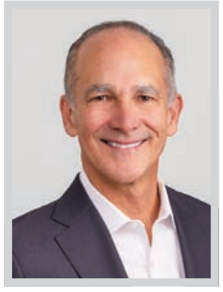
JEFF RICHARDSON

Co-Founder; CEO

Digital Disbursements (Part of Western Alliance Bank, Member FDIC)

For nearly 30 years, Jeff Richardson successfully defended companies in class action litigation as partner, chair of the Class Action Practice Group and member of the Governing Board of Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp.

An inveterate innovator and entrepreneur, Richardson answered another calling in 2019, when he co-founded Digital Disbursements (now part of Western Alliance Bank's Juris Banking Group) and led the digitization of settlement payments in class actions and mass torts. Digital Disbursements facilitates the secure selection, disbursement and reporting of mass payments for clients. Digital Disbursements partners with more than 60% of class action administrators and has been awarded distribution projects involving more than $30 billion.



NEAL ROBB

Partner

Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP

With more than 40 years of experience, partner Neal Robb is a nationally recognized litigator whose work sits at the center of today's most complex and fast-evolving financial services disputes. In an industry shaped by increasing regulatory scrutiny, emerging technologies and heightened enforcement priorities, Robb continues to deliver results in matters that define the market.

Robb is known for his adaptability and forward-looking strategy. The financial services sector continues to transform under SEC and FINRA enforcement, evolving compliance expectations and new risks tied to digital communications and complex investment strategies. Robb remains at the forefront of these developments, defending clients facing cutting-edge legal challenges.

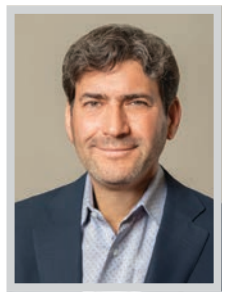
PRESTON SAM

Wealth Management Advisor

Northwestern Mutual

Preston Sam stands out in the modern financial advisory landscape for his rare ability to pair technical excellence with a deeply human approach to wealth management. A CFP, ChFC, and RICP, Sam brings an exceptional blend of advanced credentials, real-world insight, and client-centered service that positions him as a trusted leader in banking and finance.

At the core of Sam's success is his ability to build and scale a sophisticated financial planning practice serving entrepreneurs, business owners, and high-net-worth individuals. As a co-leader at Meliora Wealth Management, a Northwestern Mutual–affiliated firm, he helps guide a high-performing team that delivers comprehensive, customized strategies designed to create, preserve, and transfer wealth across generations.



MARTIN SARAFA

Managing Partner

Century Park Capital Partners

Martin Sarafa is one of the founders of Century Park Capital Partners and has been with the firm since its formation in 2000. He is responsible for sourcing, closing, and managing investments structured as leveraged recapitalizations and buyouts. He is a member of the firm's Investment Committee and currently sits on the boards of NCP Coatings and Nova Advisory.

During his time with Century Park Capital Partners, Sarafa has overseen the firm complete over 80 acquisitions, including 25 platforms and 58 add-ons. In January 2026, Sarafa led the sale of MCCi, a portfolio company of Century Park Capital Partners and a provider of enterprise content management and workflow automation solutions to public sector clients, to a leading private equity firm.

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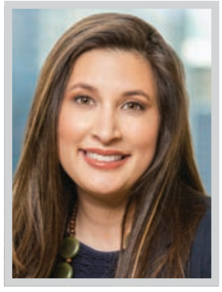


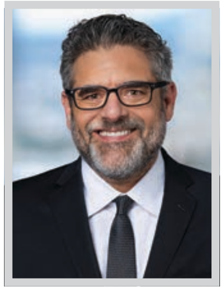
LEILA SAYEGO

Partner

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Leila Sayegh, head of Skadden Los Angeles' Finance Group, advises on innovative financing transactions that are often critical to a company's survival and growth, including transformative acquisitions, recapitalizations and access to credit for diverse initiatives. She counsels clients across a wide range of industries on financings involving multi-billion-dollar deals, multi-currency cross-border senior secured credit facilities, and intricate restructuring financings. Sayego is frequently known for handling sophisticated and unconventional financing matters.

Sayego represents corporations and private equity sponsors as borrowers, as well as banks and other financial institutions as lenders, in a broad range of domestic and international financing transactions.



JONATHAN SHENSON

Partner

Greenberg Glusker

Jonathan Shenson is a partner in Greenberg Glusker's Bankruptcy, Reorganization & Capital Recovery and Corporate Groups. Shenson's bankruptcy practice includes representation of debtors, secured creditors, committees, acquirers and other parties in chapter 11 cases, out-of-court restructures and work-outs, acquisitions, foreclosures, and assignments for the benefit of creditors. His practice also includes commercial and bankruptcy-related litigation including extensive experience in fraudulent conveyance and preference actions and litigation in the areas of breach of contract, breach of duty, alter ego, successor liability, and lender liability.

Shenson's corporate practice is focused on the representation of agents and lenders, borrowers and others in a broad array of credit transactions.

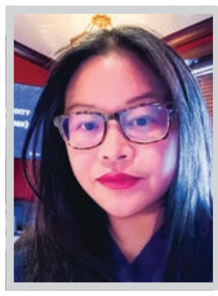
DANIELLE STYLES

Director, Sponsor Finance

Western Alliance Bank

Danielle Styles is director, sponsor finance, for Western Alliance Bank, a top-performing national bank with specialized banking groups in more than 30 industries. After more than 10 years proving her mettle with Western Alliance's nationwide Innovation Banking and Sponsor Finance Groups, she was hand-picked to start the Sponsor Finance Special Industries Team in Los Angeles. In this role, she leads a team of three busy and productive relationship managers providing acquisition financing, growth capital and banking services to private equity-backed companies in the region, with a strategic focus on regional powerhouse sectors including aerospace and defense; food, beverage and agriculture; and healthcare.

Styles' relationship-driven banking approach creates trust and generates organic growth.



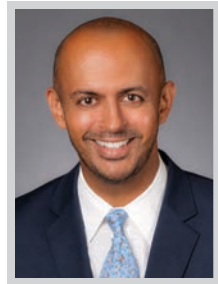
ALYCE SU

Chief Investment Officer

Global Family Office

In her current role as chief investment officer of a nine-figure single-family office, Alyce Su leads investment strategy and portfolio management across public equities, fixed income, and alternative assets including real estate. She is responsible for developing macro-driven asset allocation frameworks that incorporate interest rate cycles, inflation dynamics, and cross-asset relative value opportunities. She translates complex global market conditions into disciplined investment decisions while overseeing portfolio risk management, liquidity planning, and coordination with tax and estate advisors. Her leadership ensures that capital is deployed with both precision and long-term strategic alignment to client objectives.

Su was previously a managing director at a global alternative asset manager with over $100 billion in assets under management.



RAMESH SWAMY

Founder

Halifax West

Ramesh Swamy is the founder of Halifax West, a Los Angeles-based merchant bank serving independent sponsors and closely held private businesses through integrated buy-side advisory, capital raising, and minority co-investment. Since founding the firm in 2016, Ramesh has built Halifax West into a recognized name in the lower middle market — known for creative transaction structuring, deep lender relationships, and an outcome-driven approach to closing complex deals.

Swamy brings decades of experience across finance, M&A, debt, and capital markets. Before Halifax West, he served as executive vice president of operations & strategy at Curacao, a Los Angeles based, consumer finance and retail company serving Latino communities, where he reported directly to the founder and CEO.

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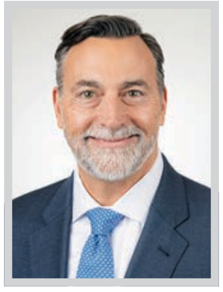


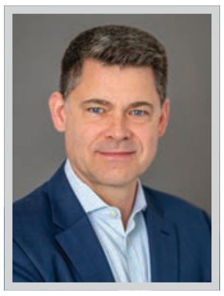
DOUGLAS A. THOMPSON

Partner

Snell & Wilmer

Douglas A. Thompson, a partner in the Los Angeles office of Snell & Wilmer brings over 35 years of litigation experience, including more than a decade of in-house corporate leadership and litigation management. He has represented financial institutions and businesses in complex regulatory, class action, and commercial litigation matters, successfully defending hundreds of cases across federal and state courts.

Thompson's combination of in-house and law firm experience allows him to bridge legal strategy with business insight, analyzing corporate operations, assessing risks, and communicating solutions effectively to executives and legal teams alike. Thompson carefully observes company operations and practices to identify opportunities and defensive strategies.



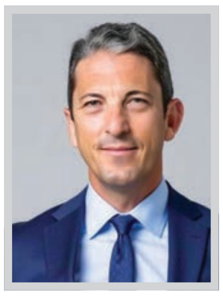
MIKE VEHASKARI

Managing Director

CriticalPoint

With more than 25 years of experience spanning investment banking, management consulting, and corporate treasury, Mike Vehaskari is a dynamic and results-driven dealmaker who brings a rare depth of perspective to every transaction. At CriticalPoint, he leads origination and execution of mergers and acquisitions across multiple industries.

Most recently, Vehaskari played an instrumental role in closing a sophisticated M&A transaction in the healthcare technology sector — the sale of Healthicity, LLC, a leading developer of healthcare compliance and auditing software. What made this deal particularly notable was the level of complexity involved. Bringing diverse elements together to a successful close is a strong testament of Vehaskari's expertise, strategic thinking, and ability to deliver results.



MICHAEL WAXBERG

Private Wealth Advisor

Fortify Capital Weath Management and Insurance Services

Michael A. "Mike" Waxberg is the founder and private wealth advisor of Fortify Capital, a member firm of the Northwestern Mutual Private Client Group. A professional CFP with more than 25 years of experience, Waxberg has built a nationally recognized investment and financial planning practice serving Los Angeles' legal, entertainment, and entrepreneurial communities. His hallmark is translating complex, multi-layered financial lives into clear, tax efficient strategies that endure across market cycles and generations.

What sets Waxberg apart is his consistency of leadership and client impact through volatile markets and life transitions. He has helped clients remain disciplined, tax aware, and opportunity focused .

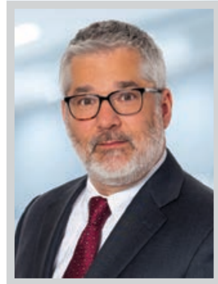
ERIC WEDEL

Head, Los Angeles Office; Global Co-Chair, Finance and Capital Markets Groups; Partner

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP

A successful private equity finance lawyer with a national reputation, Eric Wedel has advised on the financing behind some of the biggest private equity deals in recent years—about $200 billion in financings in the past two years. Over his two decade-plus career, Wedel has built a private equity client roster that includes Warburg Pincus, Hg Capital, Stone Point Capital and Stonepeak, among many others—the finance-world equivalent of Hollywood agents representing DiCaprio, Clooney and Pitt.

Wedel is also one of the region's most dynamic law firm leaders. Since late 2023, he has molded Paul, Weiss's LA office into one of the region's foremost private equity finance practices.



ADAM WEISSBURG

Partner

Cox, Castle & Nicholson

Adam Weissburg is one of the leaders of Cox Castle's Finance Practice Group and is a prominent transactional attorney who regularly represents borrowers and lenders in all facets of real estate finance.

Weissburg's lending clientele ranges from local banks to some of the larger financial institutions in the United States, including banks, debt funds, insurance companies and private lenders. On the borrower side, Weissburg represents local developers, institutional owners of real estate, and public and private REITs. In connection with both transactions, he often is called to structure mezzanine and senior secured real estate facilities, including with respect to splitting loans, secondary market activity and inter creditor issues. He also has extensive experience in workouts and loan amendments.

LEADERS OF INFLUENCE: BANKING & FINANCE

AMANDA WOLIN

Partner

Cox, Castle & Nicholson

Amanda Wolin is a partner at Cox Castle and a seasoned commercial real estate finance attorney. She specializes in representing different types of lenders, including national and regional banks, insurance companies, and private lenders, in connection with real estate financing transactions.

Wolin possesses extensive experience with a wide variety of real estate finance transactions, including acquisition and development loans, bridge loans, construction loans and mezzanine loans. Her expertise extends to a broad range of product types, including commercial, multifamily, hotel, and retail projects. She also has experience with secondary market transactions, such as "loan-on-loan" deals, as well as asset management work, including loan assumptions and loan modifications.

DANIEL WU

Partner

FROST LLP

Daniel Wu has represented regional, national, and international banks and financial institutions for 25 years. He has held partner roles at leading law firms Squire Patton Boggs, Buchalter, Thompson Coburn, and now FROST LLP, financial institution clients have consistently sought his skill as a commercial litigator on a comprehensive set of sector-specific issues.

Wu has a significant record as a go-to advocate for banks as both plaintiffs and defendants, from pre-litigation counseling to high-stakes litigation to defending against employment matters and other actions. He has also worked in tandem with law enforcement agencies on cases that touch both civil litigation and criminal law, including fraud and forgery actions. Wu's clients benefit from the breadth of his experience with legal considerations faced by the financial sector.

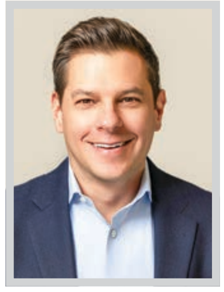
PETER YANG

Executive Vice President; Regional President

Hanmi Bank

Peter Kyu Yang has built a banking career defined by disciplined leadership, a commitment to small business owners, and a consistent ability to deliver results while maintaining a strong focus on risk management. As executive vice president and regional president of Hanmi Bank, he oversees all California lending and deposit activities, managing nearly $4.5 billion in deposits and $2.5 billion in loans across 20 branches and two commercial lending departments throughout the state.

Since joining Hanmi Bank in 2013, Yang has risen from EVP and division leader to regional president of California, one of the bank's most important positions. Under his leadership, Hanmi has distinguished itself through challenging banking environments by maintaining exceptional credit quality.



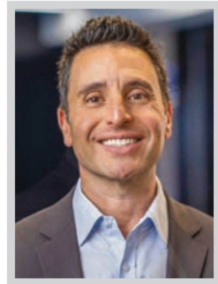
GUY ZACZEPINSKI

Managing Partner

Century Park Capital Partners

Guy Zaczepinski has been with Century Park Capital Partners since 2005. He is responsible for sourcing, evaluating and structuring buyout transactions, as well as monitoring portfolio company investments. Zaczepinski currently sits on the boards of Total Access Elevator, Green Summit Landscape Group, CJ Pony Parts, and Dominion Care.

Throughout his career, Zaczepinski has gained extensive experience analyzing and valuing companies for recapitalization, leveraged buyouts, mergers and acquisitions, and financial restructurings. In November 2025, Zaczepinski guided the launch of Green Summit Landscape Group, which completed its first acquisition, a regional, founder-led business providing commercial and residential landscape management, hardscaping, and grounds maintenance.



JONATHAN ZUCKER

Managing Director

Intrepid Investment Bankers

Jonathan Zucker is the head of the Capital Advisory Group at Intrepid. He is responsible for advising entrepreneurs and private equity funds on raising institutional debt and equity capital for a variety of uses such as funding growth, acquisitions, recapitalizations or working capital.

During his more than 15-year career in finance, Zucker has been involved in a wide range of capital transactions, from IPOs to early stage venture financings. He has executed capital raises for companies across a diverse set of industry sectors, including: consumer, digital media, technology, business services and industrials. Prior to joining Intrepid, he served as vice president and head of the Los Angeles office of U.S. Capital Partners, a direct lender and provider of capital-raising advisory services to middle-market companies.