

Summary

Michael has over 30 years of experience assisting middle market and large cap companies restructure strategically & financially, optimize operations and maximize financial results. He has served as a director on the board of companies, Wall Street investor and portfolio manager, restructuring advisor, and within the office of CFO focused on FP&A and operations finance. He has advanced abilities in finance, data analytics, dashboarding/reporting, modeling and investing; and uses those skills to facilitate communication across the firm with the goal of improved operations and financial results.

Background and Experience

Board Experience

- Chairman of the Board of Directors for Home Products International
- Director of the Board for Liberty Tire

Committee Experience

- Chairman of the Unsecured Creditors Committee for Home Products International
- Chairman of the Unsecured Creditors Committee for Collins & Aikman
- Member of the ad-hoc lenders committee for Grant Forest Products
- Member of the ad-hoc lenders committee for Building Materials Holding Corp (BMHC/BMC Select)

Investor Related Experience

- Portfolio Manager of the Special Situations Fund at Third Avenue Management, distressed/stressed oriented fund focused on the entire capital structure
- Co-Portfolio Manager of the Third Avenue Value Fund, multi-billion dollar fund with worldwide focus
- Director or Research, Third Avenue Management

Restructuring Advisory Experience

- Director at Ernst & Young Corporate Finance (sold to Giuliani Capital Advisors and subsequently Macquarie)
- Provided bankruptcy strategy, capital structure design, covenant analysis, process negotiations and M&A/capital markets strategy advice
- Advised on small cap and large cap companies
- Represented all stakeholders (companies/equity, lenders, unsecured creditors)
- Prepared/developed business plans, cash flow forecasts (including 13-week), debt capacity analyses, DIP financing analyses, going-concern valuations and liquidation analyses

Office of CFO / FP&A / Operations Finance Experience

- Optimized aspects of the corporate FP&A process with particular focus on proper modeling, automation of manual processes and data-analysis & visualization of key metrics and results
- Created more efficient capital processes; developed more collaborative decision-making processes, created a common source of data to minimize conflicts

Education & Certifications

- MBA, Columbia University
- BS Finance & Marketing, University of Delaware
- CFP® certificant
- CFA® charterholder

Technology Skills

- Advanced skills with MS Office (Excel, PowerPoint, Word), Bloomberg, Capital IQ, QuickBooks and other information resources
- Intermediate skills with Hyperion/SmartView/Essbase, SQL, Alteryx, Tableau, Power BI and SAP Business Objects

Vast industry and company size involvement¹

Mr. Fineman has been involved in most industries with small and large cap sized companies. He has advised board of directors; negotiated restructuring terms; advised on recapitalizations & turnarounds; invested billions of dollars into distressed, stressed and healthy companies; analyzed public and private companies; worked within the Office of the CFO; and has facilitated communications with executive management teams and stakeholders to improve operations and maximize financial results. A sampling of those companies he has been involved with include:

- **Abitibi / Abitibi Bowater**
- **Bank of Ireland**
- **Apple South**
- **Aveos**
- **BMHC / BMC Select**
- **Chrysler Financial**
- **CIT Group**
- **Collins & Aikman**
- **Conseco, Inc.**
- **Contech**
- **CSX**
- **General Maritime**
- **General Motors**
- **GMAC / Ally / Rescap**
- **Grant Forest Product**
- **Greer Recycling**
- **Hexion**
- **Home Products International**
- **Interfor**
- **Keystone Automotive**
- **Liberty Tire**
- **Louisiana Pacific**
- **Masonite**
- **Metro Fuel**
- **Milacron Inc.**
- **New Enterprise Stone & Lime**
- **Newhall Land / Landsource**
- **Rescap/GMAC/Ally**
- **Schlotsky's**
- **Sleepmaster, LLC**
- **Spartan Stores**
- **Standard Pacific**
- **Sure Fit**
- **Swift Transportation**
- **The Williams Companies**
- **Tidewater**
- **Tronox**
- **US Shipping**
- **Warrior Met Coal**
- **WorldCom**

¹ Includes experiences as an investor, restructuring advisor, Wall-Street analyst and finance professional.