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## Richard Wheelahan, III: Co-Founder

Since 2007, Richard has been advising fund sponsors and lenders, in both an advisory and principal capacity. In addition to co-founding FFP, Richard is the General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and a Director of Capitala Group, a \$3 billion asset manager investing debt and equity in lower middle-market companies. Since joining Capitala Group in 2010, Richard has executed numerous capital markets initiatives on behalf of Capitala Group's investment vehicles and has overseen fund formation activity for nearly 10 years, developing comingled funds, SMA concepts, a NASDAQ listed BDC, and joint ventures. Richard has also executed financings for the foregoing, including but not limited to subscription facilities, corporate and SPV revolvers, total return swaps, hybrid and NAV credit facilities, GP/asset manager lines of credit and securitizations of credit assets.

Richard's breadth of asset management experience presents valuable, innovative expertise to fund sponsors dealing with fundraising, investor relations, compliance, financing, and portfolio management challenges and opportunities.

Prior to Capitala Group and FFP, Richard was an attorney with two large law firms, representing Fortune 500 companies, privately held entities and alternative asset managers with M&A and capital markets activities, and financial institutions in the execution of leveraged finance and securitization transactions.