

Atlantic Conferences Symposium

The Summit for Middle Market Debt Finance ®

Current Trends in Deal Terms & Structures

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10:30 am – 11:15 am

Moderator:

Gary Creem

Partner, Proskauer

Gary Creem is a Corporate partner and member of The Private Credit and Finance Groups. Gary focuses his practice on complex corporate finance transactions, including leveraged sponsor buyouts, acquisition financings and recapitalization transactions. Gary routinely represents an array of leading institutional investors in direct, club and syndicated financing transactions in the middle market and upper middle market, often involving cross-border components. His clients include leading investment banks, institutional investors, private debt funds and business development companies, and advises these clients on a range of credit products across the capital spectrum.

Speakers:

Michael Ewald

Managing Director, Bain Capital Credit

Michael A. Ewald. Mr. Ewald joined Bain Capital Credit in 1998. He is a Managing Director, Global Head of the Private Credit Group and Portfolio Manager for the Middle Market Credit and Senior Direct Lending fund strategies. He also serves as President and CEO of Bain Capital Specialty Finance, Inc., a registered business development company. Previously, Mr. Ewald was an Associate Consultant at Bain & Company for three years where he focused on strategy consulting to the Financial Services, Manufacturing and Consumer Products industries. Prior to that, he worked at Credit Suisse First Boston as an analyst in the Regulated Industries group. Mr. Ewald received an M.B.A. from the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College and a B.A. magna cum laude from Tufts University.

Mr. Ewald currently serves, and has served in the past, on a number of corporate boards. Mr. Ewald is also Chair of the Board at Cradles To Crayons in Boston. He serves as a member of the Dana Farber Leadership Council and a Proprietor of the Boston Athenaeum.

Susan Kasser

Co-Head Private Credit, Neuberger Berman

Susan Kasser, CFA is the Co-Head of the Private Credit business for Neuberger Berman. The Private Credit business manages \$3.8 billion of investor capital dedicated to investing in first lien, unitranche and second lien loans to market leading companies owned by private equity firms. Prior to joining Neuberger Berman in 2013, she was a founding member of Carlyle Mezzanine Partners, the corporate mezzanine business of The Carlyle Group. Prior to joining Carlyle, Ms. Kasser worked at Goldman Sachs in several roles, including as an investment banker in the Leveraged Finance group, a fund investor and direct co-investor in the Private Equity Group, and as a financial analyst in Global Investment Research. [Ms. Kasser received an M.A. in International Economics and Finance and a B.A. in Philosophy from Brandeis University, where she graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa. She holds the designation of Chartered Financial Analyst.]

Patrick Linnemann

Managing Director, Owl Rock Capital Partners

Patrick Linnemann is a Managing Director of Owl Rock Capital Partners and serves as Head of Capital Markets for Owl Rock Capital Advisors. Prior to joining Owl Rock in 2016, Mr. Linnemann worked at Angel Island Capital, the credit investment platform of Golden Gate Capital, from 2015 to 2016, where he focused on sourcing and evaluating credit investments. Prior to that, Mr. Linnemann was in the Leverage Finance Capital Markets Group at Goldman Sachs & Co. in New York from 2006 to 2015. Mr. Linnemann received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania.

Dan Pietrzak

Member, KKR

Daniel Pietrzak (New York) joined KKR in 2016 and is a Member of KKR. Mr. Pietrzak is a portfolio manager for KKR's private credit funds and portfolios and a member of the Global Private Credit Investment Committee, Europe Direct Lending Investment Committee and KKR Credit Portfolio Management Committee. Mr. Pietrzak is CIO of Corporate Capital Trust and FSIC, both business development companies that trade on the NYSE and are managed by FS/KKR Advisor. Prior to joining KKR, Mr. Pietrzak was a managing director and the co-head of Deutsche Bank's structured finance business across the Americas and Europe. Previously, Mr. Pietrzak held various roles in the structured finance and credit businesses of Societe Generale and CIBC World Markets. Mr. Pietrzak started his career at Price Waterhouse in New York and is a CPA. Mr. Pietrzak holds an M.B.A. in Finance from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and a B.S. in Accounting from Lehigh University.