



Mike Lorelli Private Equity Expert

Role: Experts Expertise: Private Equity Industry Experience: Private Equity, Industrial, Restaurant, Consumer Certifications: Masters Professional Director Certification, The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), Masters Professional Director Certification, The American College of Corporate Directors (ACCD) Last Updated: June 13, 2019

#### **BACKGROUND & EXPERIENCE**

Mike Lorelli is Crenshaw's Private Equity Expert, and he has been in the private equity space for close to 20 years as an Operating Partner, CEO, and Board Director. He has sourced close to two dozen deals and led successful acquisitions and exits for Falconhead Capital, and built four portfolio companies as CEO for Rutledge Capital, Riverside Company, and Pouschine Cook Capital Management. His expertise spans virtually every industry, including F&B, CPG, beauty, logistics, and manufacturing. Additionally, Mike has served on 12 public and private boards. Prior to entering the PE sector, Mike served as a PepsiCo president, twice, in both the beverage and restaurant sectors, and earlier held General Manager and marketing executive roles at Almay and Bristol-Myers Squibb.

As a PE insider, Mike knows what skills and attributes decision makers are looking for when recruiting C-level talent for their portfolio companies. He works with Crenshaw clients to help them understand the private equity landscape and navigate their entrée into a PE-backed company. Mike has studiously researched the vast opportunity within the PE world and advises clients on how to best articulate their unique value when communicating with recruiters and private equity operating partners. His passion for sharing his knowledge shines in every one-on-one call, webinar, and presentation he delivers to Crenshaw clients.

# INDUSTRY/BUSINESS SEGMENT EXPERTISE

Private Equity, Boards, Consumer, Restaurant, Industrial

## CEO, Marketing

# COMPANIES WORKED FOR

PepsiCo, Rita's Italian Ices, Falconhead Capital, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Latex International, WaterJel Technologies

#### EDUCATION

MBA, NYU Stern School of Business Bachelor of Engineering NYU

## CERTIFICATIONS

Masters Professional Director Certifications at both The American College of Corporate Directors (ACCD) and The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD)

# PUBLICATIONS

"The Private Equity vs. The Traditional CEO", NACD Directorship Magazine

"Why Private Equity Companies Create Boards... Voluntarily", NACD Directorship Magazine

"The Venture Capital View on Boards," NACD Directorship Magazine

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"The Private Equity Play," and "Landing Board Seats"

**RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS** 

CEO of the Year," Fairfield County Business Journal

#### **BOARD APPOINT MENTS**

Rita's Italian Ices, CP Kelco, iControl, Javo Beverage, Waterjel Technologies, Latex International, Strategic Optical Holdings, Closure Medical, Trident International Inc., National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD)

### FUN FACT

Active private pilot, and author of The New York Times best-seller children's book Traveling Again, Dad?





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