

John J. Koeppel to Moderate Panel at Independent Sponsor Forum Deal Series in Chicago



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[John J. Koeppel](#), partner and executive committee member at Lippes Mathias LLP and team leader of the firm's [Private Equity](#) and [Independent Sponsor](#) practices, will moderate a panel at the Independent Sponsor Forum (ISF) Deal Series in Chicago on Sept. 16. The event will take place at the Marriott Marquis Chicago.

Koeppel will moderate "Fireside Chat 2 | Win-Win: Negotiating Closing and Management Fees" alongside panelists Simon Haidamous of Genesis Park, Michael Malacuso of Global Access Capital, Ryan McGovern of Star Mountain Capital, and Jeff Piper of LXP.

Launched in partnership with the Small Business Investor Alliance (SBIA), the ISF Deal Series is an invitation-only event designed exclusively by and for independent sponsors and capital providers with a defined independent sponsor strategy. The one-day format features attendee-selected one-on-one meetings through a proprietary scheduling platform, networking, peer discussions, and insights on current market trends. Attendance is limited to pre-screened capital providers and independent sponsors.

About John J. Koeppel

John J. Koeppel is a partner and team leader of the firm's Private Equity and Independent Sponsor practices and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. He is one of the top lawyers nationally focused on "direct deals," and has successfully structured, negotiated, and closed over 250 transactions in the past 25 years, which typically involve mergers and acquisitions, fund/SPV formations, and various private equity/independent sponsor transactions. He also works with clients to review and structure their Qualified Opportunity Zone and Qualified Small Business Stock investments.

Koeppel acts as counsel to a number of leading funds, independent sponsors, holding companies, middle market companies, institutional investors, family offices, and high net worth investors focused on buy-out, growth, venture, real estate, intellectual property, energy, debt, fund-of-funds, co-investments, secondaries, and other strategies. He also often acts as U.S. counsel to non-U.S. clients on their U.S. acquisition and private investment transactions. He also serves as a director for several private equity-backed companies.

As an M&A and private equity attorney, Koeppel has advised on deals from \$5 million to \$250 million in a wide range of industries, including manufacturing, technology, consumer goods, food, distribution, business services, cleantech, and medical/health care. He frequently draws on his expertise as a corporate and independent sponsor attorney to serve as a speaker at a number of leading private equity and M&A events and podcasts, including iGlobal Independent Sponsor Summit, US Emerging Manager Institute, Association for Corporate Growth, Expert Webcast, SBIA: Independent Sponsor Forum, and Family Office Enterprise. Koeppel and his team take a proactive and practical approach to helping clients make connections and successfully navigate the various legal challenges in any private equity transaction. Prior to joining Lippes Mathias, he was a partner in the private equity and investment funds group of an AmLaw 100 firm.

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