Upstate Capital Association of New York Names John J. Koeppel "Dealmaker of the Year"

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BUFFALO, NY – John J. Koeppel, a partner with Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP, was recently named "DealMaker of the Year" at Upstate Capital Association of New York's 4th Annual Awards Celebration in Rochester, New York.

The annual celebration highlights the most interesting deals and most active dealmakers across the state in private equity, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and venture capital.

With respect to Mr Koeppel's award, the President of Upstate Capital commented:

"John Koeppel leads a highly experienced team of private equity lawyers at Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman, LLP, one of top corporate/deal focused firms in Upstate NY. John takes a proactive and practical approach to getting deals done. John's expertise in deal structuring and negotiations are at the very top of the profession, especially on complex structures that utilize Qualified Opportunity Zones, Qualified Small Business Stock, etc. While we use him as our lead deal lawyer, his business acumen and negotiation style really enables hard deals to get across the finish line," says Randy Bianchi, President of Upstate Capital's Board of Directors and Managing Partner at Lakelet Capital."

At Lippes Mathias, Mr. Koeppel is the team leader of the firm's private equity practice. As a corporate lawyer, he has successfully structured, negotiated and closed more than 250 transactions in the past two decades, which typically involve mergers and acquisitions, fund formations and investments, qualified opportunity zone projects, and various private equity transactions.

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