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Mike is a Managing Director in the Investment Banking Division and manages the firm's capital markets and advisory activities in the Southeast. Based in Atlanta, Mike provides local coverage to primarily middle market companies with revenues or market capitalizations of approximately \$3 billion or less.

Mike also serves as the firm's global Head of Education Investment Banking. The Education Group serves primarily for-profit companies in the Childcare, K-12, Postsecondary, Corporate and Publishing verticals. Mike has specialized in the \$970 billion Education Industry since 1994.

Mike has worked at J.P.Morgan Securities since February 1999, when he joined one of its predecessor firms, Hambrecht & Quist. From 1993 to 1999, Mike worked at Salomon Smith Barney as a member of the Media Group and Mergers & Acquisitions Group. From 1988 to 1991, Mike worked at Morgan Stanley as a member of the Fixed Income Division. Mike is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and the Goizueta Business School at Emory University.

Recent Southeast assignments include:

- Advising the Special Committee of Waste Industries on its management-led \$705MM buyout financed by Macquarie and Goldman Sachs
- Executing the \$1.5B balance sheet recapitalization for Mueller Water Products, including \$425MM High Yield Notes and \$1.1B Senior Secured Credit Facilities
- Advising privately held Magnatrx Corporation on its auction process and \$280MM sale to Nucor Corporation

Recent Education assignments include:

- Advising the Special Committee of Nobel Learning on its strategic alternatives in response to an unsolicited take-over offer from Knowledge Learning Corporation
- Placing a \$60MM PIPE for The Princeton Review with Bain Capital Partners
- Pricing a \$550MM debut Senior Credit Facility for Apollo Group
- Financing the go-private for both Laureate Education's sale to KKR and Citi Equity Partners as well as Educate Inc.'s sale to Sterling Equity Partners