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Chris Picone is a legal, financial and operating professional with significant experience in all phases of financial restructurings, operations, turnaround situations, bankruptcy, litigation support matters, real estate development, construction, and asset management. His legal and business career encompasses over thirty years of representing companies and other business ventures in all aspects of corporate operations, as well as serving in various executive management positions in the real estate and general contracting industries.

Mr. Picone started his career with a Chicago law firm where he focused his legal practice in the areas of Real Estate, Federal Income Tax and Corporate Transactions. Following a decade of private law practice, Mr. Picone moved to the corporate sector serving as President, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel for several large Chicago based real estate and general contracting firms.

Among recent roles, Mr. Picone was the Chief Restructuring Officer (“CRO”) in the Sea Launch Company Chapter 11 proceeding. Sea Launch Company was an international consortium comprised of U.S., Russian, Norwegian and Ukrainian members, engaged in the heavy lift commercial satellite launch business. Sea Launch’s Plan of Reorganization was confirmed by the Delaware Bankruptcy Court on July 27, 2010. As part of the Plan of Reorganization, the company was sold to an affiliate of the Russian rocket manufacturing company RSC Energia.

Mr. Picone also served as Financial Advisor to TVI Corporation in its Chapter 11 proceeding. TVI (now known as Immediate Response Technologies, Inc.) was a publicly traded manufacturer of powered air respirators, gas masks and filters, specialized shelters and mobile mortuary systems. TVI’s Plan of Reorganization became effective December 1, 2009. As part of the Plan of Reorganization, the company was taken private by an ownership group comprised of senior management and the company’s secured lenders.

Mr. Picone was also a principal with a Chicago based real estate development firm that acted as the successful “stalking horse” bidder for a 210 unit residential real estate development project in Southwestern, Michigan. Mr. Picone spearheaded the team that managed the Chapter 11 Debtor, secured Debtor –In- Possession financing and completed the remediation of a significant environmental hazard on the property.

Mr. Picone has also served as COO/General Counsel of one of the nation’s largest privately held real estate brokerage firms where he was responsible for the successful restructuring and expansion of the residential brokerage and mortgage brokerage operations, as well as the sale of several non-core operating subsidiaries. Mr. Picone also managed the restructuring and refinancing of the company’s \$500 million real estate portfolio.

In addition, Mr. Picone has served as President of a Chicago based general contracting firm specializing in retail and office construction. During his tenure as President, Mr. Picone restored the company to profitability, significantly expanded national operations and successfully handled the sale of the company on behalf of ownership.

Mr. Picone earned his Juris Doctor (with Distinction) from the John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Picone also holds an LLM (Taxation) from DePaul University of Chicago. Mr. Picone earned his Bachelor in Business Administration from Loyola University of Chicago. Mr. Picone is a member of the Turnaround Management Association (“TMA”), The American Bankruptcy Institute (“ABI”) and the International Council of Shopping Centers (“ICSC”).