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# Transaction News Advisor

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## Solvency Opinions and Mark-to-Models

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The Chapter 7 (liquidation) bankruptcy filing by Renovo Home Partners on November 4 after a \$150 million private credit loan was marked at par as of September 30 reinforced doubts among some market participants about how private credit (and equity) is marked. We review the situation and what questions would be addressed if one were to issue a solvency opinion when the \$150 million loan was extended.

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## Appalachian Basin M&A Update: October 2024 to September 2025

[Mercer Capital - Energy Valuation Insights Blog](#)

Mercer Capital has an active energy group that is based in Texas (of course). Andy Frew, Vice President of Mercer Capital, reviews M&A activity in the Appalachian Basin.

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# 5 Things to Know About Selling Your Business to Private Equity

## Mercer Capital - *Family Business Director Blog*

We recently read a fantastic post on the **Altair Advisers'** blog, "*Words on Wealth*," by **Jason M. Laurie**, Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer of Altair. The post addresses five things that founders wish someone had told them before selling their businesses to private equity firms. We featured this blog on our *Family Business Director* blog. We thank Jason for allowing us to share the post with our readers.

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## Continuation Funds: Ethics in Private Markets

### CFA Institute

The CFA Institute has a two-part treatise on continuation vehicles ("CV"), which is interestingly titled as ***Continuation Funds: Ethics in Private Markets, Part I***. Part II has yet to be published. The CFA Institute will host a webinar on December 4 that among other things will cover issues concerning "liquidity, alignment and conflicts of interest." We are not disinterested observers in noting the importance of third-party fairness opinions as part of a CV transaction.

>> [Click here to register for the webinar](#)



## Bank Watch - October 2025

### Mercer Capital

Bank and (non-bank) M&A has picked upon since the "Liberation Day" chaos of early April has faded. Private equity acquires for cash whereas strategic acquirers often issue their shares to fund some or all of the merger consideration. In this issue of Bank Watch, Jeff Davis of Mercer Capital enumerates a number of factors sellers should consider when accepting the buyer's shares.

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## Market Snapshot

|                               | 11/13/25    | 8/13/25     | 11/13/24    | 90 Day Δ | Y/Y Δ   |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|---------|
| SOFR                          | 4.00%       | 4.33%       | 4.59%       | -33 bps  | -59 bps |
| 2-Year UST                    | 3.59%       | 3.72%       | 4.22%       | -13 bps  | -63 bps |
| 10-Year UST                   | 4.12%       | 4.23%       | 4.32%       | -11 bps  | -20 bps |
| BB Corp Bond Yield            | 5.64%       | 5.61%       | 5.92%       | 3 bps    | -28 bps |
| B Corp Bond Yield             | 6.94%       | 6.82%       | 6.96%       | 12 bps   | -2 bps  |
| CCC and Lower Corp Bond Yield | 12.74%      | 11.89%      | 11.51%      | 85 bps   | 123 bps |
| S&P 500                       | 6729        | 6467        | 5985        | 4.1%     | 12.4%   |
| NASDAQ                        | 23005       | 21713       | 19231       | 5.9%     | 19.6%   |
| Russell 2000                  | 2433        | 2328        | 2369        | 4.5%     | 2.7%    |
| <i>Rolling Four Quarters</i>  | <i>2Q25</i> | <i>1Q25</i> | <i>2Q24</i> |          |         |
| \$10-\$25M PE Deals           | 6.4x        | 6.5x        | 6.2x        | -0.1x    | 0.2x    |
| \$25-\$50M PE Deals           | 7.0x        | 7.0x        | 6.7x        | 0.0x     | 0.3x    |
| \$50-\$100M PE Deals          | 8.0x        | 8.3x        | 8.2x        | -0.3x    | -0.2x   |
| \$100-\$250M PE Deals         | 9.2x        | 8.8x        | 9.0x        | 0.4x     | 0.2x    |
| \$250-\$500M PE Deals         | 9.1x        | 10.0x       | 10.3x       | -0.9x    | -1.2x   |
| Number of Transactions        | 326         | 352         | 340         | -26      | -14     |
| <i>Quarter Only</i>           |             |             |             |          |         |
| Median Multiple-All Deals     | 6.8x        | 7.6x        | 7.3x        | -0.8x    | -0.5x   |
| Number of Transactions        | 81          | 61          | 107         | 20       | -26     |

Source: St. Louis Federal Reserve (FRED), S&P Global Market Intelligence, GF Data® (an ACG Company)

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Georgia

Mercer Capital served as financial advisor to Palmetto Citizens Federal Credit Union

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Albuquerque, New Mexico

HAS ACQUIRED



Las Cruces, New Mexico

Mercer Capital served as financial advisor to Nusenda Federal Credit Union

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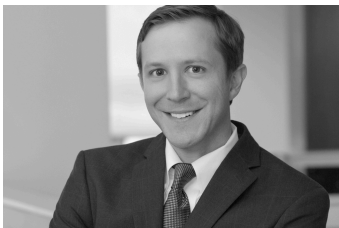
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