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BOARD & CAPITAL PARTNER PROFILE

CEO, executive chairman, director, and long-term capital allocator with more than 30 years of experience across founder-led, family-office, sponsor-backed, public-company, and nonprofit environments. Combines constructive CEO partnership with governance oversight, strategic judgment, disciplined capital allocation, and financing execution. Target mandate: independent director, lead director, or executive chair for a company navigating growth, ownership transition, recapitalization, or a financing.

GOVERNANCE CEO partnership • Board effectiveness • Audit, compensation & nominating oversight	CAPITAL LBOs • Public toeholds • Growth equity • Private credit • Recapitalizations	OPERATING Industrials • Technology assessment • Healthcare • Financial services • Consumer
FINANCING Debt and equity evaluation • Structured credit • Sponsor and family-office collaboration	TRANSITIONS Acquisitions • Strategic repositioning • Minority investments • Company sales	ALIGNMENT Trust • Respect • Humility • Mission-driven hunger • Aligned economic incentives

SELECTED VALUE CREATION & FINANCING RESULTS

- 48% IRR — led the Meisei Tools investor recapitalization while preserving continuing ownership.
- \$18 million financing — structured a Solugenix private-credit facility supporting a share repurchase; targeted gross cash-on-cash yield approximately 15%.
- Approximately 5× invested capital — BankServ board and Executive Committee service through growth and a strategic sale to GTCR, based on sponsor records.
- Public-company transition — joined Inspirato's board in September 2025; company subsequently sold to Exclusive Resorts in 2026.
- 4.9% Schedule 13D position — built a Tribune Publishing stake and engaged on governance, strategy, and shareholder value.

CURRENT LEADERSHIP

Founder & CEO | August Portola

Investment and governance platform | Southern California | Present

- Invests across leveraged buyouts, publicly traded toeholds, growth equity, and debt; partners with CEOs, family offices, and private equity and private debt sponsors.
- Applies a consistent governance framework across portfolio companies whose revenues have ranged from \$2.5 million to \$1.6 billion.
- Prioritizes preservation of capital, constructive board leadership, aligned incentives, and asymmetric risk-reward opportunities.

CEO & Chairman | IKM Holdings

Technology-enabled assessment and talent-intelligence platform | Present

- Led the acquisition and strategic repositioning of IKM TeckChek.
- Directs strategy, operations, capital allocation, governance, and leadership alignment.

Executive Chairman | Meisei Tools

Industrial platform | Present

- Led the acquisition from founding shareholders and subsequently introduced a strategic minority investment partner.
- Works with management on operating performance, organizational development, strategic positioning, and disciplined capital deployment.

- Investor recapitalization generated a reported 48% internal rate of return while preserving continuing ownership.

Managing Member | Solugenix Lenders I LLC

Private credit and structured investment platform | Present

- Structured an approximately \$18 million private-credit facility supporting a share repurchase, completed in December 2024.
- Works alongside family-office and institutional co-investment partners; targeted gross cash-on-cash yield approximately 15%.

SELECTED BOARD, INVESTMENT & TRANSACTION EXPERIENCE

Inspirato | Independent Director

Joined the public-company board in September 2025 during a strategic transition; company subsequently sold to Exclusive Resorts in 2026.

BankServ | Director; Executive Committee

Supported leadership through enterprise growth and a strategic sale to GTCR; approximately fivefold return on invested capital based on sponsor records.

Tribune Publishing | Public-company investor; Schedule 13D

Built an approximately 4.9% position and engaged around governance, strategy, and shareholder value.

Pic 'N' Save | Public-company activist investment; Schedule 13D

Participated through Girard Partners in a significant ownership position and value-creation initiative.

FortuNet | Strategic adviser

Advised through the company's 2006 WR Hambrecht OpenIPO and public-market transition.

PersonalCare Physicians | Investor / board-level engagement

Healthcare platform sold to Hoag in 2018.

The Laffer Center | Director

Current board service supporting a public-policy organization.

EARLIER CAREER

Founding Partner | GESD Capital Partners

Private equity investing, portfolio governance, and value creation.

Executive Vice President | Laffer Associates

Economic research, strategic advisory, and investment-related work.

Securities Analyst | Crowell, Weedon & Co.

Publicly traded special situations and fundamental securities analysis.

Research Staff | Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee

Policy and political research in Washington, D.C.

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration | Harvard Business School

Bachelor of Arts, Cultural Anthropology | University of Southern California

BOARD MANDATE

Independent director, lead director, or executive-chair opportunity—public or private—where active CEO partnership, financing judgment, governance discipline, and long-term capital alignment can materially improve outcomes. Open to Southern California and national mandates. For the right company and terms, prepared to evaluate a personal or affiliated investment alongside a financing.