### **MICHAEL KERRIS ESQ**

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### **SUMMARY AND PROFILE**

Sophisticated and innovative portfolio manager with extensive experiencing analyzing and investing in stocks, bonds, ETFs, options, futures, volatility, crypto and real estate.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## **BRIGHTVIEW CAPITAL MANAGEMENT /NI**

# Analyst, Portfolio Manager & Managing Partner

### 2011 - Present

- ✓ Launched and manage a hedge fund focused on developing quantitative long/short systematic trading & investment strategies based on large data set analysis
- ✓ Involved in all aspects of hedge fund planning, formation, operation, portfolio and risk management
- ✓ Co-drafted syndication documents, corporate agreements, SEC /Blue Sky regulatory filings /compliance
- ✓ Strong written and verbal communication skills: develop marketing collateral; write market analysis; make investment presentations
- ✓ Manage client development, on-boarding and retention
- ✓ Manage performance reporting; manage fund administrator, prime broker, auditor and tax-advisor
- ✓ Extensive Excel usage; and work with programmers to program in Python and to automate some strategies
- ✓ Additional consulting experience:
  - o Richebourg Capital, Fintech startup integrating SaaS, a multi-strat hedge fund & crypto, 2018 19
  - o Merus Global Investments, Develop & manage trading strategies at proprietary trading firm, 2015 16
  - William Paterson University, Cotsakos College Of Business, Part-Time Adjunct Professor, Fall 2015
    - Taught undergraduate senior-level finance /real estate /investment course
    - Evaluations of my course scored amongst highest for new professors; was invited back to teach again

# FRAMEWORKS GROUP /NY, NY

# CFO - COO of Real Estate Investment & Development Firm

## 2003 - 2012

- ✓ Leadership:
  - o Involved in all aspects of company formation, growth and management
  - o Pioneer condominium developer in Rockaway, NY; developed luxury brands, drove large price increases
  - o Grew startup to annual revenue of \$13.7 million (average revenue of \$7.5 million for several years)
  - o Served as the President of two condominium associations
  - Also managed Lancaster Realty, purchased & operated an 11-unit commercial property
- ✓ Chief Financial Officer:
  - Negotiated and purchased several large beachfront lots
  - Raised several million dollars in equity syndications
  - o Extensive modeling; researched and utilized best practices of public homebuilders and REITS
  - o Active relationship with 100+ lenders; raised \$33 million in multiple financings
  - o Managed corporate finance responsibilities including capital planning and cash management
  - o First company in NYC in 12 years that qualified to offer FHA financing to customers
  - China Horizon Management, Part of five-person consultant team, Part-Time 2009, China
    - Advised on the purchase & development of a multi-billion dollar industrial/office complex, Beijing
    - Advised on the potential privatization of part of nationwide rail network, Hong Kong
- ✓ Chief Operating Officer:
  - o Co-developed and executed strategies; managed operations; oversaw property management
  - o Managed contractors, vendors and employees during multiple development projects
- ✓ Legal
  - o Managed a multitude of corporate and real estate matters in conjunction with multiple law firms
  - o Drafted equity syndications, multiple contracts, and co-drafted condominium offering plans
- ✓ Sales & Marketing:
  - o Developed luxury brands and obtained significantly higher average sales price than competitors
  - As a New York State licensed Real Estate Broker, hired, trained and led 3 7 person sales team that worked with 9,000 prospective customers and hundreds of realtors showcasing several model homes
  - Managed the entire end unit buying and rental process; constant competitive market analysis
  - Led marketing and public relations effort; featured in 30+ industry spotlight stories including two New York Times Real Estate Section cover stories, New York Post, Real Deal Magazine

### MH CAPITAL PARTNERS & UBS /NY, NY

### **Equity Hedge Fund Analyst**

### 2002 - 2003

- ✓ Issued long and short investment recommendations, assisted with portfolio management and strategy
- ✓ Interviewed in-person the CEOs/CFOs of ~400 public companies for investment consideration
- ✓ Developed and collaborated with network of industry specialists; utilized Bloomberg
- ✓ Hedge fund merged into one of UBS's largest wealth management groups in 2003

## KERRIS CAPITAL MANAGEMEN /NY, NY

# **Equity Hedge Fund Analyst & Portfolio Manager**

- 1998 2002
  - ✓ Managed The Kerris Group, a small hedge fund with investments focused on emerging growth companies
    ✓ Conducted in-depth fundamental research, financial analysis & modeling /forecasting & valuation analysis
  - ✓ Implemented long, short, and derivative positions using long-term, swing, and intra-day strategies
  - ✓ Actively engaged in business development and client servicing
  - ✓ Broad speaking experience including anchoring periodic live radio business program on 91.5 FM
  - ✓ Extensive writing including investment plan, annual reports, and monthly newspaper column
  - ✓ Tailspin Alert, Researched and wrote investment recommendation reports marketed to hedge funds, 2001

## **ALCHEMY FINANCE /NY, NY**

## Analyst

## 1997 - 1998

- ✓ Helped arrange nearly \$100 million of commercial loans and private equity placements
- ✓ Analyzed several multi-million-dollar real estate acquisitions and conversions
- ✓ Negotiated and drafted bank commitments, prepayment penalties, and contracts

# AXIOM COMMUNICATIONS /NY, NY

# **Financial Officer & Operating Officer**

## 1994 - 1997

- ✓ Co-founded telecommunications company; responsible for financial and operational matters
- ✓ Managed systems, employees, finances, equipment, and regulatory compliance
- ✓ Secured rounds of equity and debt capital to fund expansion
- ✓ Acquired four telecommunications companies; company sold to the public company World-Link Solutions

### **EDUCATION AND OTHERS**

### St John's University School of Law, NY, NY

- ✓ Juris Doctor with emphasis on real estate & corporate law, admitted to New York State Bar /1993 1996
- ✓ Student Bar Academic President; published editor for the NYS Bar Association's Real Property Law Journal
- ✓ Legal work Experience:
  - o Ateshoglou, Kavourias & Chrysanthem-Associate for real estate and corporate law firm, 1995
  - o New York State Supreme Court-Legal researcher and writer for the Hon. Justice Collins, 1995
  - o St. John's University School of Law-Management consultant working directly with Dean Hasl, 1994
  - o Pappas & Pappas-Associate for real estate law firm, 1994

### Fordham University, College of Business Administration, NY, NY

- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Real Estate Finance and Management; GPA 3.65; Rank top 3% /1989 1993
- ✓ Cum Laude; In Cursu Honorum; Beta Gamma Sigma, Senior Gold Medal; Dean's List (2 years)
- ✓ 2-year honors thesis on restructuring corporations via Total Quality Management to improve operations

#### Certification

✓ CFA Institute, Chartered Financial Analyst, Level 1, 2002

## **Community Leadership**

- ✓ High altitude mountaineering, Ironman Triathlon, ultramarathons and Krav Maga (martial arts)
- ✓ SCORE volunteer. Provided business mentoring service to business owners
- ✓ Colts Neck Architectural Review Committee, 2015 2017