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Gerry Cardinale is the Founder, Managing Partner and Chief Investment Officer of RedBird Capital Partners.

RedBird manages \$10 billion of equity on behalf of a select group of blue-chip institutional and family office investors. The Firm's prior and current investment portfolio includes many of the world's most iconic entrepreneurs, properties and brands across the sports, media and entertainment industries – including Fenway Sports Group (Boston Red Sox, Liverpool FC, Pittsburgh Penguins, New England Sports Network); the Yankees Entertainment & Sports ("YES") Network (New York Yankees and Amazon); Skydance Media (Larry and David Ellison); Artists Equity (Ben Affleck and Matt Damon); The Springhill Company (LeBron James and Maverick Carter); the XFL (Dwayne Johnson and his partner Dany Garcia); and European football's A.C. Milan.

Since the Firm's inception, RedBird has also been an active investor and company builder in Financial Services — a core competency of the Firm with a dedicated investment team that has invested over \$1 billion across Insurance & Insurance Distribution, Asset & Wealth Management and Fintech & Insurtech.

Prior to founding RedBird in 2014, Gerry spent 20 years at Goldman Sachs where he was a Partner of the firm and a senior leader of the Merchant Bank's private equity investing business. During his tenure, Gerry worked with entrepreneurs and family business owners to build several successful multi-billion-dollar companies, including the Yankees Entertainment & Sports ("YES") Network, Legends Hospitality, and Suddenlink Communications.

In addition to his broad responsibilities as Chief Investment Officer, Gerry is actively engaged in company-building activities across the Firm's portfolio in its core industries of Sports, Media & Entertainment and Financial Services. He is also active in driving RedBird's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion within the Firm as well as within the investment portfolio. Accordingly, 50% of the Firm's investment professionals and 30% of CEOs in its most recent fund are either female or diverse.

Philanthropically, Gerry is a Trustee of the Mount Sinai Health System in New York City and leads one of the multi-state Selection Committees that awards Rhodes Scholarships each year. Gerry received an Honors BA from Harvard University where he graduated Magna Cum Laude and an M.Phil in Politics and Political Theory from Oxford University where he was a Rhodes Scholar.