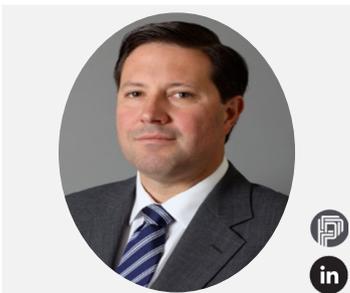


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Education & Certification

- Juris Doctor / Master of Business Administration / Masters in Taxation – Fordham University
- Bachelor of Arts, History and Government – Georgetown University
- Member of the New York and Connecticut Bar Associations

Activities & Recognition

- MTA Merit Scholarship for joint MBA and MS program at Fordham University
- MCI Fellowship, Fordham Law School
- Founder and Editor-in-Chief of Fordham Journal of Corporate and Financial Law
- Board Member, Corporate Law Center at Fordham University

John Laguzza currently serves as a Managing Director providing financial, strategic and operational advisory as well as interim management for clients across a broad range situations and industries. Mr. Laguzza has completed turnaround and restructuring strategies including distressed recapitalizations, off balance sheet financing, distressed bond investments and asset backed deals among others

John has served on numerous corporate boards and assumed interim management responsibilities to execute on performance improvement, lender negotiation, capital raising and M&A strategies. Mr. Laguzza has been a principal investor in over 20 energy companies and also has in-depth expertise in restaurants, food & beverage, wine & spirits, hotels, travel, aviation, shipping, and technology sectors

Prior to joining Portage Point, Mr. Laguzza was Head of Investments and Managing Director for the Private Equity Investment Group that he launched for BNP Paribas in New York. He expanded the group globally to make 50 investments across five continents in energy and commodities. Prior to BNP Paribas, he was a Senior Director at Fitch Ratings as the Lead Analyst covering companies in the Restaurant, Food & Beverage and Travel sectors. John is credited with launching the agency's first Rating Assessment Service for Cendant's acquisition of Budget. John previously served as Managing Director at PCM, a turnaround

private equity and venture capital firm in San Francisco where he launched a FinTech company and executed on a successful turnaround and roll-up to create a leading digital agency subsequently acquired by Accenture. He has also worked at GE Capital in San Francisco as part of the structured equity group that focused on recapitalizing distressed businesses. Earlier in his career, John was an attorney at Holland & Knight and worked in the Audit and Tax Consulting Group at Deloitte

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