

# Webcast: M&A Insights: Current Trends in Leveraged Acquisition Finance, Lessons from the Mindbody Decision, and Officer Fiduciary Duties in M&A

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- Doug Horowitz discusses current trends in leveraged acquisition finance
- Quinton Farrar and Brennan Halloran discusses lessons from the Mindbody litigation
- Daniel Alterbaum discusses the implications of the recent McDonald's decision on officer fiduciary duties for M&A transactions

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