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Opportunity Profile

Associate

Broadly Syndicated Leveraged Loans Deal Execution, Underwriting, Portfolio Oversight

Private Credit Fund – Chicago, IL

Client Overview

Our client is an independent leveraged finance and investment fund which structures and oversees broadly syndicated deals to support leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations and corporate restructurings. Overall, the firm manages a variety of CLO and direct loan funds. Established almost two decades ago, it has originated, structured, closed and overseen thousands of leveraged loan transactions.

Position Overview

Execute new deals and manage a portfolio of broadly syndicated leveraged finance transactions in the firm's CLO business. Cover an assigned industry vertical, and also get involved in other industry sectors from time to time, serving as the firm's expert in those assigned industries.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Identify and analyze potential investment opportunities within an assigned industry vertical.
- Utilizing relative value, credit, business and industry analysis, make internal recommendations to buy/sell/hold credits. There is an ability to move in and out of positions within secondary loan markets and other capital markets strategies.
- Present written analysis on individual credits including but not limited to: business outlook, industry dynamics, company management, deal sponsor, capital structure, key credit agreement terms, collateral profile, cash flow projections/sensitivity analysis, enterprise value analysis, relative value, and any other supporting reasons for recommendation.
- Investment research incorporating fundamental analysis of companies within the leveraged loan space. Specifically, be responsible for building/maintaining financial models, preparing written investment memoranda and quarterly/annual portfolio management reports.
- Present assigned industry sector presentations on a periodic basis, providing current state of industry, company comparisons, valuations, new ideas, trends, etc. to the Investment Committee.
- Maintain high level of knowledge on current/evolving industry trends and monitor primary and secondary credit market activity in the leveraged loan/high yield space via networking/conversation with research analysts, third parties, and colleagues within the leveraged loan space.
- Constant monitoring of respective portfolio accounts.

Requisite Qualifications

- Minimum 4 years' experience in leveraged finance and/or high yield bonds is preferred.
- Large corporate or middle market credit trained is preferred; investment banking training or selected industry research experience is a plus.
- Residing in Chicago strongly preferred; simple, timely, self-funded relocation if not in Chicago.
- Ability to develop competence on overall macro factors and subsector trends/allocations within assigned industry space.
- Demonstrated competence with Microsoft Excel, Word, Powerpoint.
- Demonstrated competence in use of Bloomberg, Capital IQ, and Markit.
- Demonstrated competence with Moody's/S&P online platforms for ratings/industry analysis.
- Willingness to learn/adapt to technological platforms the company employs on proprietary basis.
- CPA, CFA, MBA a plus.
- Bachelor's degree in business, finance or related field of study.