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Tom Allison joined Mesirow Financial Consulting in March 2006 as one of the members of the senior leadership team. He has primary responsibility for Mesirow Financial Consulting's interim management, debtor, and restructuring capabilities on a national basis.

One of the foremost professionals in the restructuring and turnaround field, Tom has been managing complex turnaround situations since 1979 and has been an advisor on major reorganizations and insolvencies. Tom's industry expertise includes airlines, transportation, retail, consumer products, general manufacturing, importing, distribution, high technology, healthcare, food and paper and packaging.

Most recently, Tom was the national restructuring practice leader at Huron Consulting. Previously he served as the partner in charge of Arthur Andersen LLP's Chicago-based central region restructuring practice. He has represented a significant number of debtors. He has extensive experience in negotiating loan agreements and placing loans to companies in financial distress. Tom has also worked with major financial institutions throughout his career, including Bank of America, Deutsche Bank, JP Morgan Chase & Co., Citigroup, Van Kampen Funds Inc., ABN AMRO, and La Salle Bank.

Tom has served in interim management and chief restructuring officer roles for several companies. He has been the chief financial officer of two NYSE healthcare companies, FPA Medical Management, Inc., a national PPM that contracts with HMO's to provide healthcare services to its members, and United American Healthcare, a provider of comprehensive management and consulting services to managed care organizations.

A founder and former chairman of the Association for Certified Turnaround Professionals (ACTP), Tom is a director and past chairman of the Turnaround Management Association (TMA). He is a frequent lecturer on turnaround management across the country and has written several articles on quality standards for the industry. He has testified on modifications to bankruptcy law and served as an advisor to President Clinton's Economic Council (Bankruptcy Working Group). He is also currently the Trustee in the bankruptcy of an asbestos product manufacturer.

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EDUCATION

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ASSOCIATIONS**

Member, Turnaround
Management Association

Member, Commercial Finance
Association

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