



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Mr. Michael S. Falk '84

Michael Falk is Chairman, Managing Partner, and Co-Founder of Comvest Partners. He chairs Comvest's Executive Committee, which oversees the firm's management and strategic direction, is a member of the equity and lending investment committees, and has played active board roles with many of Comvest's investments. Under his leadership, Comvest has grown to manage more than \$3 billion.

Comvest is the successor to Commonwealth Associates, which he co-founded in 1988; under his direction, Commonwealth led investment or financing transactions to finance operations, acquisitions, and restructuring of more than 100 technology, healthcare, and service-related lower-middle-market businesses. Though focused on middle-market businesses, Falk's experience has been both broad based and multifaceted. He has launched two successful investment businesses by focusing on building great teams and developing insights gained from close relationships with operational executives to improve and grow businesses.



Falk received a BA in economics from Queens College, and pursued further education through Stanford University's Executive Program for small businesses and Harvard Business School's CEO program. He is co-trustee of the Michael and Annie Falk Foundation, which supports children, the environment, and the arts. He is also a member of the Board of Visitors of the Duke Nicholas School of the Environment.