Michael Isakson Joins Metronome Partners

April 2013 – Metronome Partners, LLC (Metronome), the Chicago and Memphis based M&A advisory firm, is pleased to announce the addition of a new team member, Michael Isakson.

Mike joins Metronome's group of Operating Partners and will serve as Senior Advisor, providing a wealth of operating knowledge, industry expertise, and a vast network of relationships within the Franchise Services market and related sub-sectors.

Prior to joining Metronome, Mike was President and COO of ServiceMaster Franchise Services Group, an international franchise services company. Mike was responsible for the development and growth of more than 5,000 franchises worldwide with sales totaling more than \$2 billion annually. As part of the \$4 billion ServiceMaster Company, Mike led ServiceMaster Clean, Merry Maids, Furniture Medic, and AmeriSpec brands, which specialize in residential and commercial cleaning services, disaster restoration, on-site furniture repair, and home inspections.

Mike joined the ServiceMaster corporate team as Vice President of Merry Maids Franchise Sales in 1990. In 1992, he was promoted to President and COO of Merry Maids and in 1994 he was appointed President of the ServiceMaster Consumer Services Franchise Services Group, until his retirement in September 2012.



Mike has also served on the International Franchise Association (IFA) Board of Directors, the IFA Executive Committee, and from 2007-2008 was Chairman of the IFA.

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