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Robert C. Smith

Partner

Bob joined HPM Partners in October 2016 when Spero-Smith Investment Advisers became part of the firm. Previously, he was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Spero-Smith which he joined in 1993 as President, Chief Investment Officer, and co-owner along with Founder Karen Spero. He and Jeff Malbasa are co-leaders of the Cleveland office of HPM Partners.

Bob has more than 40 years of experience in investing, finance, accounting and business management. In addition, he has served in leadership roles on numerous boards and investment committees of corporations and non-profit organizations including the Motorists Insurance Group, Ohio Northern University, University Hospitals of Cleveland and the Cleveland Foundation. He has also been appointed by several elected officials to boards of public entities, including the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation and the Port of Cleveland. Recent public entity appointments include Chair of the Ohio Oil & Gas Commission and Chair of the Detroit Police & Fire Pension System Investment Committee.

Bob holds an M.B.A. in Finance from Duquesne University and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Accounting) degree from Ohio Northern University. ONU has awarded him an Honorary Doctorate of Business Administration for his years of service as Chair of the Board of Trustees and the Endowment Investment Committee. Bob is deeply committed to civic engagement and has received numerous awards and recognitions for his leadership.