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Eric Radzak is a Partner with Brookfield, a firm he joined in 2015 along with Nicolet National Bank. Eric's primary responsibility is to provide strategic advice and M&A consulting services to Brookfield's clients.

In addition to his responsibilities within Brookfield, Eric is the Corporate Development Officer of Nicolet National Bank. In this role, Eric is responsible for managing Nicolet's M&A strategy, which includes sourcing, analyzing, modeling, and negotiating potential transactions for the bank. He also works closely with equity analysts, investment bankers, and institutional investors that follow Nicolet. The dual role allows Eric to leverage his investment banking and M&A expertise with Nicolet as well as the Brookfield's client base. As a result of working for a community bank, he is able to offer a unique perspective on the M&A process to other community banks that many other financial advisors cannot.

Prior to joining Brookfield Investment Partners, LLC, Eric was an investment banker covering community banks and thrifts for more than 10 years. During this period, Eric worked with dozens of banks and thrifts across the upper Midwest executing multiple buy-side and sell-side M&A transactions and private and public capital raises. He also has extensive experience in the purchase and sale of branches as well as FDIC assisted transactions. Most recently, Eric was Senior Vice President in the Financial Services Investment Banking division at Raymond James & Associates based in Chicago. Prior to that, Eric began his investment banking career with Howe Barnes Hoefler & Arnett, a boutique investment bank that focused exclusively on community banks. After graduating from Cornell College, Eric began his banking career as a credit analyst and commercial lender with American National Bank in Chicago (which was acquired by Bank One and then JPMorgan Chase). All told, Eric has spent more than 16 years working at or for financial institutions. He has also been a frequent speaker at numerous industry conferences and events, and has given over 100 presentations to community bank boards, educating them on the M&A process.

Eric lives in the Green Bay area with his wife and three children.