



### **John Cohn, Senior Advisor, Diamond Capital Advisors**

John has been an investment banker for 14 years. Currently he advises Diamond clients on growth strategies, helps early stage companies prepare for capital raises and works with mature companies preparing for eventual sale.

Prior to Diamond, John was President of Independent Retailers Syndicate; Head of M&A at Wolf Popper, Inc.; and, for 20 years President of Growth Resources Group, a strategic and financial advisor to small and medium size businesses in fields from Media and Publishing, Consumer Goods, Food and Internet Retailing to Healthcare and Business Services. His past clients include many high- profile brands including Walmart, House of Fraser, Galleries Lafayette, Myers Grace, Lane Crawford and El Palacio de Hierro among others. John was a director at Extebank (now Capital One) serving on the audit and investment committees for 12 years. John is a Founding Member of the Hudson Valley Startup Fund, a member managed angel fund dedicated to developing a robust regional entrepreneurial ecosystem.

John was educated at Brown University and the Stern School of Business. He has lectured at Columbia and other local colleges. John loves music, golf and college basketball. He enjoys trap and skeet, is a Lifetime Member of the Sierra Club, a longtime supporter of the New York Botanical Garden and the Metropolitan Museum and is a not too serious photographer.