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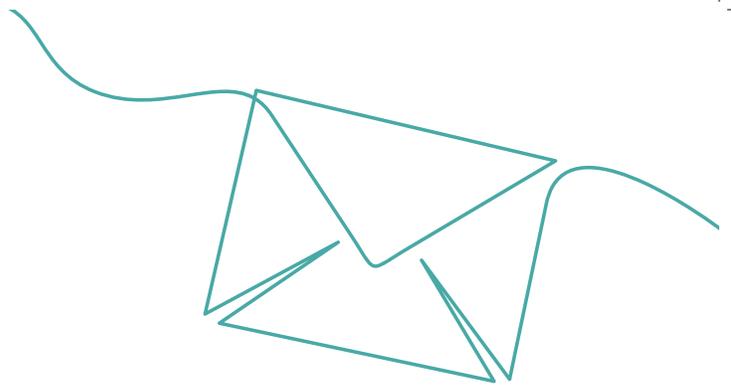
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LETTER FROM THE CEO

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

What an extraordinary year it has been! As I look back, I'm filled with pride and gratitude for the continued growth of our CLFP Community and the incredible individuals who make it so special.

Our membership reached an all-time high once again, with a record-breaking addition of more than 200 new CLFPs! Each one represents our shared commitment to excellence and to building a stronger, more knowledgeable commercial equipment finance industry.

A heartfelt congratulations to Lia Wax, this year's Cindy Spurdle Award of Excellence recipient. Lia has been a friend, former co-worker, and an unwavering supporter of the Foundation for many years. She embodies the spirit of service and professionalism that the CLFP designation represents, and I couldn't be prouder to see her recognized in this way.

We also saw a record-breaking 19 Academies for Lease & Finance Professionals (ALFPs) held this year, an incredible achievement made possible by the hard work and dedication of Mel and Sandy. Their tireless efforts ensure that candidates receive the best possible preparation on their journey to becoming CLFPs.

Education continues to be at the heart of our mission. The University of North Texas CLFP Student Certificate Program launched with great success, helping introduce students to our industry and the principles that guide it. Our ongoing work with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) has also flourished through the development of a micro-credential program that opens doors for new talent and perspectives in equipment finance.

We are also thrilled to announce that the Canadian Certified Lease & Finance Professional (CCLFP) program has officially launched! This long-anticipated expansion reflects our commitment to advancing professionalism and education on a global scale.

Another major development this year was the announcement of our potential affiliation with the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association (ELFA). This opportunity represents an exciting next chapter for the CLFP Foundation, but importantly, our membership will have the opportunity to review the details and vote on whether to approve the affiliation. Your voices will guide our path forward, as they always have.

As we close another remarkable year, I want to extend my deepest thanks to Sandy, Mel, our incredibly hardworking Board, volunteers, and each of you who continue to support and champion our mission. Together, we're building a better commercial equipment finance industry, one individual at a time.

With gratitude,

Reid Raykovich, CLFP, CAE
CEO



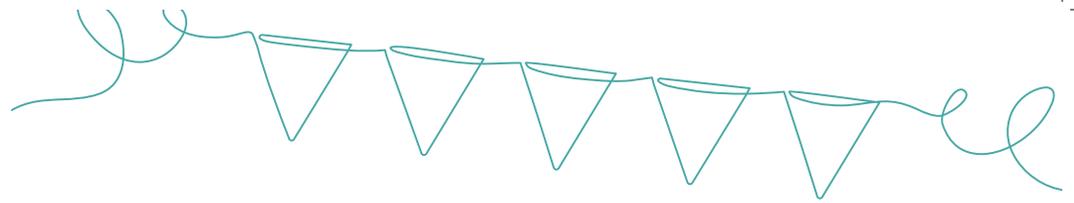
2025 CLFPS ADDED TO THE CLFP MEMBERSHIP

Fahima Ahadi, CLFP	<i>Key Equipment Finance</i>	Shane Cesarz, CLFP	<i>The Huntington National Bank</i>
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Danielle Beachboard, CLFP	<i>LEAF Commercial Capital Inc.</i>	Terrance Coffin, CLFP	<i>DLL</i>
Christopher Beals, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>	Craig Collins, CLFP	<i>Crossroads Equipment Lease & Finance LLC</i>
Sara Beattie, CLFP	<i>Geneva Capital, LLC</i>	Christian Colton, CLFP	<i>CoreTech</i>
Spencer Bebout, CLFP	<i>Stryker</i>	Mark Comtois, CLFP	<i>CoBank Farm Credit Leasing</i>
Kyle Beckel, CLFP	<i>North Mill Equipment Finance</i>	Molly Crew, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>
Thomas Behof, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>	Heather Cummings, CLFP	<i>Stearns Bank NA-Equipment Finance Division</i>
Kyle Bennett, CLFP Associate	<i>Auxilior Capital Partners, Inc.</i>	Anthony da Silva, CLFP	<i>CoreTech</i>
Jacob Benoit, CLFP	<i>Northland Capital Equipment Finance</i>	Tanner Deeds, CLFP	<i>Key Equipment Finance</i>
Ian Beresford, CLFP	<i>DLL</i>	Bradley Dockendorf, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>
James Bieda, CLFP	<i>Blue Street Capital, LLC</i>	Danielle Doyle, CLFP	<i>Alliance Funding Group</i>
Bob Bimson, CLFP	<i>CoBank Farm Credit Leasing</i>	Paul Dvorak, CLFP	<i>Northland Capital Equipment Finance</i>
Kristin Boatwright, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>	Kenneth Elliott, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Specialty Finance</i>
Rita Botello, CLFP	<i>U.S. Bank Equipment Finance</i>	Laurestine Engelke, CLFP	<i>Northland Capital Equipment Finance</i>
Angel Bowe, CLFP Associate	<i>Dext Capital</i>	Jordan Fakhoury, CLFP	<i>Crossroads Equipment Lease & Finance LLC</i>
Madison Brown, CLFP Associate	<i>Dext Capital</i>	Jonathan Fales, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>
Trevor Bruner, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>	Susan Ferencak, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>
Gabrielle Burgin, CLFP	<i>Channel</i>	Terran Ferguson, CLFP Associate	<i>Channel</i>
Develyn Butler, CLFP	<i>Stearns Bank</i>	Kevin Figueroa, CLFP Associate	<i>Channel</i>
Juan Cabrera, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>	Ian Fine, CLFP	<i>U.S. Bank Equipment Finance</i>
Braddon Calloway, CLFP	<i>PNC Equipment Finance, LLC</i>	Pamela (Rae) Fish, CLFP	<i>Stearns Bank</i>
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Bill Johnson, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>	Constance Losch, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>
Chad Johnson, CLFP	<i>Channel</i>	Jeffrey Lothert, CLFP	<i>Channel</i>
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Ellen Mueterthies, CLFP	<i>Impact Networking, LLC</i>	Nilka Sang, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>
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Hailey Nathe, CLFP	<i>Oakmont Capital Holdings, LLC</i>	Kristi Schmidt, CLFP	<i>Channel</i>
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Megan Nielson, CLFP	<i>CoBank Farm Credit Leasing</i>	Daniel Shepard, CLFP	<i>CoBank Farm Credit Leasing</i>
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Alyson Och, CLFP	<i>Oakmont Capital Holdings, LLC</i>	Kathleen Simmons, CLFP	<i>The Huntington National Bank</i>
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		Mia Stenning, CLFP	<i>CoreTech Associate</i>

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April Stolba, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>	Bradley Winkelman, CLFP	<i>U.S. Bank Equipment Finance</i>
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Rachel Swanke, CLFP	<i>GreatAmerica Financial Services</i>	Brian Wood, CLFP	<i>CoreTech</i>
Renee Talbot, CLFP	<i>Northland Capital Equipment Finance</i>	Dawn Wood, CLFP	<i>Beacon Funding Corporation</i>
Rachel Telles, CLFP	<i>Wintrust Commercial Finance</i>	Shiyue Zhong, CLFP	<i>Channel Associate</i>
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Kiley Waters, CLFP	<i>U.S. Bank Equipment Finance</i>		
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Rebecca Weisenbach, CLFP	<i>U.S. Bank Equipment Finance</i>		
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Dean Wick Jr.	<i>CoBank Farm Credit Leasing</i>		
Brett Williams, CLFP	<i>First American Equipment Finance, a City National Bank Company</i>		
Wendy Wilson, CLFP	<i>The Huntington National Bank</i>		



HBCU OUTREACH 2025 RECAP

Our commitment to expanding diversity and access to equipment finance education reaches directly into the HBCU communities, most recently through our spring outreach at Lincoln University (Pennsylvania), the nation's first degree-granting historically Black college and university. During our on-campus session, we engaged students in meaningful dialogue about the dynamic opportunities within commercial equipment finance, shared how the CLFP designation can be a career catalyst, and highlighted pathways from classroom to industry through our Foundations of Commercial Equipment Finance micro-credential course.

By partnering with Lincoln University, we aim to raise awareness of the equipment finance profession among undergraduate talent from HBCUs, encourage early exposure, and build relationships that support inclusive opportunity. Together, we're helping to open doors so that the next generation of professionals can step confidently into this field.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to Lincoln University for their warm hospitality, to DLL for their generous sponsorship, and to Cisco Capital for their invaluable partnership in making this course possible. We are incredibly proud of this group and immensely grateful for the support of everyone involved!



UNT PROGRAM RECAP

Last spring, the CLFP Foundation partnered with the Equipment Leasing & Finance Foundation (ELFF) and the University of North Texas (UNT) G. Brint Ryan College of Business to launch FINA 4700 – Survey of Commercial Equipment Leasing & Finance. Developed by Michael P. Gallo, a lecturer at UNT and a longtime industry professional, the course used the CLFP Handbook as its textbook and introduced students to the fundamentals of commercial equipment finance. The lectures are supported largely by CLFP Subject-Matter Experts (SMEs), who volunteer their time as guest instructors and mentors to help students connect classroom learning to real-world practice. Students explored the core stages of the leasing lifecycle and earned the CLFP Student Certificate upon completing the course.

With that successful first semester now complete, the second semester is actively underway. The CLFP Foundation remains deeply committed to supporting academic pathways that bridge the gap between education and industry, investing in future professionals, expanding access, and strengthening the talent pipeline for the equipment finance community. Join us in celebrating our first cohort of students earning their certificates!



UNT PROGRAM RECAP

UNT Cohort 1

CLFP Mentors:

Melissa Biebel, CLFP
 Linzey Brunton, CLFP
 Dan Burris, CLFP
 Michael Coon, CLFP
 Joshua Dickens, CLFP
 Regina Eckendorf, CLFP
 Clay Fisher, CLFP
 Jennifer Fitzgerald, CLFP
 Nathan Gibbons, CLFP
 Zach Marsh, CLFP
 Brent McWhorter, CLFP
 Melissa McCuaig, CLFP
 Nannette Mickelsen, CLFP
 Brian Schonfeld, CLFP
 Carl Vilella, CLFP
 Al Vemuri, CLFP
 Mark Windeknecht, CLFP
 Chelsea Wood, CLFP

CLFP Guest Lecturers

Todd Buzard, CPA, CLFP
 Gary Hanson, CLFP
 Jill Molitor, CLFP
 Mic Mount, CLFP
 Matt Padden, CLFP
 Lia Wax, CLFP
 Lisa Whitehead, CLFP

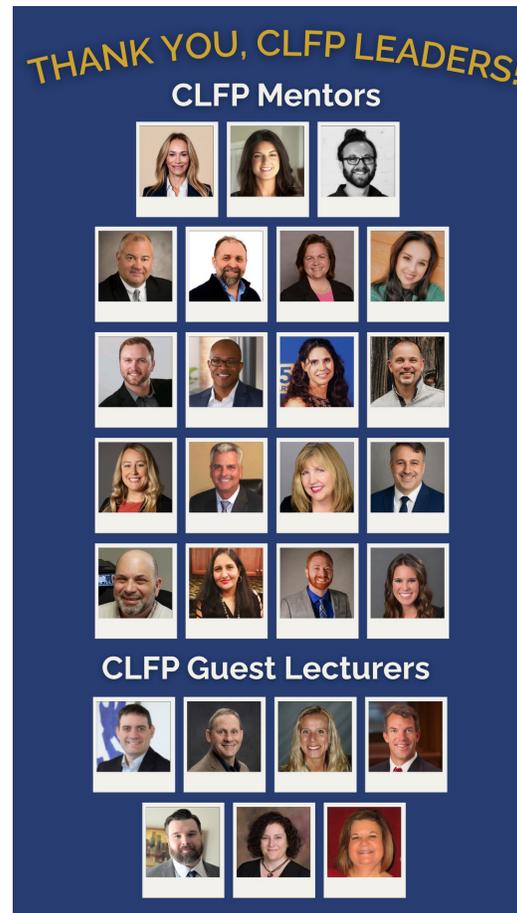
UNT Cohort 2

CLFP Mentors:

Andrew Belliveau, CPA, CLFP
 Melissa Biebel, CLFP
 Linzey Brunton, CLFP
 Joshua Dickens, CLFP
 Regina A. Eckendorf, CLFP
 Jennifer Fitzgerald, CLFP
 Stephanie D. Langford, CLFP
 Neelima Piedy, CLFP
 Candace Reinhart, CLFP
 Melanie Rudiger, CLFP
 Molly Simon, CLFP
 Annette Simmons, CLFP
 Dr. Benjamin Wendt, CLFP
 Mark Windeknecht, CLFP
 Chelsea Wood, CLFP

CLFP Guest Lecturers

Eric Bunnell, CLFP
 Todd Buzard, CPA, CLFP
 Jill Molitor, CLFP
 Kathy Nordendahl, CLFP
 Matthew Padden, CLFP
 Keara Piekanski, CLFP
 Molly Simon, CLFP
 Mel Vinson, CLFP
 Lia Wax, CLFP



CLFP FOUNDATION CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE AND HONORS LIA WAX, CLFP WITH THE CINDY SPURDLE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The Certified Lease & Finance Professional (CLFP) Foundation proudly celebrated CLFP Day 2025 on October 8th, marking a monumental 40 years of the CLFP designation and 25 years of the CLFP Foundation. This year's virtual celebration and in-person events throughout the country brought together hundreds of industry professionals to honor the remarkable achievements, growth, and dedication that continue to define the CLFP community.

With over 1,700 active CLFPs and Associates worldwide, the Foundation reflected on a year of record accomplishments, including the launch of the Canadian CLFP designation (CCLFP), expansion of the University of North Texas CLFP Student Certificate program, and celebrated new members, all milestones emphasizing the Foundation's commitment to professional development and industry excellence.

A highlight of the event was the presentation of the Cindy Spurdle Award of Excellence, which honors a CLFP in Good Standing who has demonstrated exceptional leadership and significant contributions to the industry and Foundation. This year's award recipient was Lia Wax, CLFP, VP of Operations at Financial Pacific Leasing. This award recognized Lia's outstanding leadership and service to the Foundation and the equipment finance industry. Lia has served in nearly every capacity within the CLFP Foundation from Board President to instructor, mentor, and remains a constant advocate for continued education and inclusion in the industry.



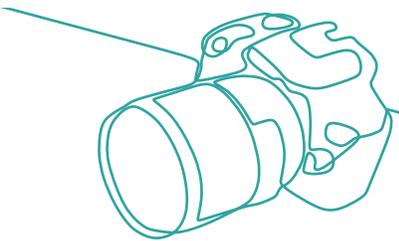
“Receiving this award is an incredible honor,” said Wax. “I’ve been a champion for the CLFP Foundation from the very beginning because I believe so strongly in its mission. To have my contributions acknowledged in this way is truly humbling.”

For Lia, the most rewarding part of her CLFP Journey has been teaching and inspiring others. “Anytime I get to teach, that’s where I feel most at home,” she shared. “Having the opportunity to teach documentation at my alma mater, the University of North Texas, during the program’s first semester was a full-circle moment I’ll always cherish.” Wax credits her success and sense of belonging in the industry to the CLFP community: “It was like gaining a second family overnight. There’s an immediate connection and mutual respect among CLFPs. It’s a bond built on shared learning and dedication.”

Wax’s philosophy “to always say yes” epitomizes the award’s spirit. Whether teaching, mentoring, or serving on committees, her unwavering commitment continues to strengthen and elevate the Foundation.

As the CLFP Foundation celebrates its milestone anniversary, it remains focused on the future while empowering professionals, fostering connection, and building a brighter commercial equipment finance industry, one individual at a time.





CLFP DAY CELEBRATION PHOTOS



ALFP 2025 RECAP

Thank you to our ALFP Instructors!

Andy Belliveau, CPA, CLFP
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 Donnie Bunn, CLFP
 Todd Buzard, CPA, CLFP
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 Dan Canine
 Cathy Clair, CLFP
 Mike Cohen, CLFP
 Jack Elenbaas, CLFP
 Melissa Fisher, CLFP
 Jaimie Haver, CLFP
 Lana Kralik, CLFP
 Brian Knox, CLFP
 Leonard Lane, CLFP
 Michelle MacCallum, CLFP
 Conrad Nilsen, CLFP
 Kathy Nordendahl, CLFP
 Greg Pabich, CLFP
 Matt Padden, CLFP
 Neelima Piedy, CLFP
 Keara Piekanski, CLFP
 Kevin Prykull, CLFP
 Candace Reinhart, CLFP
 Katie Riggs, CLFP
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 Darren Sholes, CLFP
 Molly Simon, CLFP
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 Elizabeth Verhoef, CLFP
 Mel Vinson, CLFP
 Lia Wax, CLFP
 Dr. Ben Wendt, CLFP
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Thank you, CLFP Mentors!

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 Lauren Baingo, CLFP
 Avery Cantrell, CLFP
 Craig Colling, CLFP
 Katharine Converse, CLFP
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 Ian Fine, CLFP
 Jennifer Fitzgerald, CLFP
 Darren Habiger, CLFP
 Monica Hawk, CLFP
 Freddy Jalivand, CLFP
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 Kathy Massey, CLFP
 Laura Morin, CLFP
 Regina Nirelli, CLFP
 Nick Ross, CLFP
 Albert Royale, CLFP
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 Rico Sondakh-Dorantes, CLFP
 Ian Steidel, CLFP
 Ariel Stich, CLFP
 Will Thomsen, CLFP
 Matt Vazzana, CLFP
 Aparna Vemuri, CLFP
 Tiffany Vraa, CLFP
 Eric Weber, CLFP
 Alysa White-Hayes, CLFP
 Dean Wick, CLFP
 Stacey Widom, CLFP
 Merlyn Wilson, CLFP
 Angelika Wojdat, CLFP



ALFP 2025 RECAP

Celebrating Our 2025 Academy Hosts

A heartfelt thank you to the exceptional organizations who hosted our 19 CLFP Academies this year. Your dedication and support were instrumental in providing invaluable learning experiences and fostering the growth of our community. We couldn't have done it without you!

Channel
CoBank Farm Credit Leasing
Crossroads Equipment Lease & Finance
Dext Capital
DLL (x2)
First Commonwealth Equipment Finance
GreatAmerica Financial Services
Huntington National Bank
JDR Solutions

Key Equipment Finance
North Mill Equipment Finance (x2)
Northland Capital
Oakmont Capital Services
Stearns Bank, N.A.
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U.S. Bank Equipment Finance
Wintrust Commercial Finance



CANADIAN CLFP

We're thrilled to announce that we are officially launching the Canadian Certified Lease & Finance Professional (CCLFP) designation!

The CCLFP upholds the same high standards of professionalism and integrity as the CLFP, but is tailored specifically for the Canadian market. We couldn't be more excited to celebrate this milestone with our partners and the incredible professionals who paved the way for this positive milestone to be possible.

Our CEO, Reid Raykovich, CLFP, CAE announced the launch in Winnipeg, at the Canadian Finance & Leasing Association (CFLA | ACFL) Annual conference a few weeks ago. And here's the best part: the very first CCLFP cohort is already SOLD OUT!

This is just the beginning of something incredible, and we extend a profound thank you to everyone who helped make this possible, including Michael Rothe, Cindy Briffa-Chen, Debbie Roberts, and Richard McAuliffe, CLFP among others.



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2024 Rank	2025 Rank	Company Name	Total CLFPs on Staff in 2025	Total CLFPs on Staff in 2024	Change in # of CLFPs
1	1	First American Equipment Finance, a City National Bank Company	157	157	0%
2	2	DLL	126	112	13%
3	3	U.S. Bank Equipment Finance	73	66	11%
4	4	The Huntington National Bank	63	60	5%
5	5	Stearns Bank NA-Equipment Finance Division	51	48	6%
6	6	Ascentium Capital	37	40	-8%
18	6	GreatAmerica Financial Services	37	18	106%
10	6	Oakmont Capital Holdings, LLC	37	30	23%
7	7	Arvest Equipment Finance	35	36	-3%
10	7	Channel	35	30	17%
18	8	Wintrust	33	18	83%
12	9	Key Equipment Finance	32	27	19%
8	10	Amur Equipment Finance	30	33	-9%
13	10	North Mill Equipment Finance	30	26	15%
9	11	AP Equipment Financing	27	32	-16%
15	11	Financial Pacific Leasing, Inc., an Umpqua Bank Company	27	24	13%
21	11	Northland Capital Equipment Finance	27	15	80%
13	12	First Citizens Bank Equipment Finance	26	26	0%
16	13	Navitas Credit Corp.	21	21	0%
17	14	KLC Financial, Inc.	20	20	0%
21	15	Stryker	19	15	27%
18	16	ECS Financial Services, Inc.	18	18	0%
42	17	Crossroads Equipment Lease & Finance LLC	17	7	143%
33	17	Dext Capital	17	9	89%
33	18	Solifi	15	9	67%
57	19	CoreTech Leasing	13	4	225%
25	19	Orion First Financial LLC	13	11	18%
n/a	20	CoBank Farm Credit Leasing *	11	2	450%
28	20	Alliance Funding Group	11	10	10%
25	20	Auxilior Capital Partners, Inc.	11	11	0%
28	20	Beacon Funding Corporation	11	10	10%
28	20	Cadence Bank	11	10	10%
24	20	Ivory Consulting Corporation	11	12	-8%
23	20	Odessa	11	13	-15%
25	20	Tokyo Century (USA) Inc.	11	11	0%
n/a	21	Transport Enterprise Leasing LLC	10	7	43%
33	22	1st Source Bank	8	9	-11%
28	22	Fleet Advantage, LLC	8	10	-20%
28	22	Great American Insurance	8	10	-20%
42	23	Canon Financial Services, Inc.	7	7	0%
40	23	Commercial Equipment Finance, Inc.	7	4	75%
57	23	First Commonwealth Bank	7	4	75%
33	23	LTi Technology Solutions	7	9	-22%
57	23	PEAC Solutions	7	4	75%
33	23	Tamarack Technology, Inc.	7	9	-22%
33	23	Taycor Financial	7	9	-22%
n/a	24	Kapitus Equipment Finance *	6	0	600%

40	24	BMO Harris Equipment Finance Company	6	8	-25%
45	24	FinWise Bank	6	6	0%
42	24	FIS	6	7	-14%
57	24	Northteq	6	4	50%
45	24	Quality Equipment Finance	6	6	0%
49	24	Univest Capital, Inc.	6	5	20%
49	25	Balboa Capital a Division of Ameris Bank	5	5	0%
49	25	Cisco Systems Capital Corporation	5	5	0%
45	25	Mitsubishi HC Capital America, Inc.	5	6	-17%
49	25	Nexseer Capital	5	5	0%
n/a	26	JDR Solutions, Inc. *	4	1	300%
n/a	26	Trans Lease, Inc. *	4	0	400%
n/a	26	Wells Fargo *	4	0	400%
49	26	360 Equipment Finance	4	5	-20%
57	26	APEX Commercial Capital	4	4	0%
49	26	Falcon Equipment Finance, a division of Falcon National Bank	4	5	-20%
71	26	Fifth Third Bank	4	3	33%
57	26	Financial Partners Group	4	4	0%
49	26	LEAF Commercial Capital Inc.	4	5	-20%
57	26	MAZO Capital Solutions	4	4	0%
57	26	UniFi Equipment Finance, Inc.	4	4	0%
57	26	Western Equipment Finance	4	4	0%
n/a	27	36th Street Capital *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	Blue Street Capital, LLC *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	Geneva Capital, LLC *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	Impact Networking, LLC *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	NewLane Finance *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	NextGen Equipment Finance, LLC *	3	5	-40%
n/a	27	Peapack Capital Corporation *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	Post Road Equipment Finance, LLC *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	Providence Capital Funding, Inc. *	3	0	300%
n/a	27	RidgeStone Capital *	3	0	300%
49	27	Civista Leasing and Finance	3	5	-40%
57	27	Commercial Capital Company, LLC	3	8	-63%
n/a	27	Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA)	3	3	0%
71	27	Hanmi Bank	3	3	0%
57	27	M&T Bank	3	4	-25%
71	27	NCMIC Finance Corporation	3	5	-40%
71	27	QuickFi by Innovation Finance	3	3	0%
71	27	TD Equipment Finance, Inc.	3	3	0%
57	27	Truist	3	4	-25%

* Denotes new to the list
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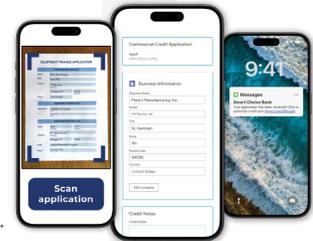
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