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Thomas L. Kempner, Jr., is the Executive Managing Member of Keewaydin Investments LLC, a private investment firm he founded in 2020. Tom is the former Executive Managing Member of Davidson Kempner Capital Management LP, a firm he co-founded in 1984, and from which he retired in 2019. Prior to joining Davidson Kempner, Tom began his career at Goldman, Sachs & Co. from 1978 to 1981. He later worked in principal investments at two small firms, Loeb Partners and First City Capital.

Tom graduated from Harvard Business School in 1978 with distinction and from Yale College in 1975 with a B.A. in computer science, magna cum laude. He is currently Board Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Central Park Conservancy and President of the Board of Trustees of The St. Bernard's School in New York. He is a Trustee of the Ford Foundation, Harlem Village Academies, and Mount Sinai Health System, Inc. He is President of American Friends of Bletchley Park, Inc. He is also a former member of the Board of Directors of Harvard Management Company, as well as the Harvard Business School Board of Dean's Advisors.

Across Tom's investing in capital markets and social enterprises, he is guided by a disciplined, long-term strategy and a focus on investing in great people and institutions that are often overlooked or under-resourced. Tom has always tried to leverage his financial social investments with a willingness to invest his time and skills in these organizations with a goal of strengthening them for the benefit of future generations.

Tom is a proud parent of three and a grandparent of six. He is also extremely proud that his son and both daughters-in-law are Harvard MBAs.

Tom participates in competitive stand-up paddleboarding and is an avid rock climber, deepening his love of the outdoors and the natural world.