

Chris Barton, Senior Director, Corporate Development, Cerner Corporation

Chris is a Senior Director on the Cerner Corporate Development & Venture Capital team. Prior to Cerner, he was a Vice President at Five Elms Capital – a leading software growth equity fund – where he originated and executed investments in fast-growing B2B software businesses. Prior to Five Elms, Chris worked as an investment banker in Morgan Stanley's Mergers & Acquisitions Department in New York.

Before that, Chris served as a scout sniper platoon commander, company executive officer, and intelligence officer in the U.S. Marines. He deployed several times to Afghanistan and elsewhere across the Middle East, Africa and Europe, attaining the rank of captain.

Chris holds a MBA from Cornell University, and a B.B.A. and B.A. in Finance and Political Science, respectively, from Southern Methodist University. Outside of work, Chris loves spending time with his wife and two young sons, along with running, skiing and scuba diving when not on diaper duty.