

## **Mary Burke**

Mary Burke has 17 years of investment banking experience within the food industry specializing in financial restructurings, recapitalizations, turn-arounds, private and public placements of debt and equity capital and providing corporate finance and strategic advisory services. Burke has been the advisor on more than 100 recapitalizations, placements, mergers, acquisitions and divestitures representing total consideration in excess of \$10 billion.

Prior to joining The Food Partners, Burke was chair of the board and interim chief executive officer at Associated Grocers, Inc. of Seattle, a \$1 billion cooperative grocery wholesaler. Prior to Associated Grocers, Burke was chief financial officer at Imperial Sugar Company (OTCBB: IPSU), the largest refined sugar supplier in the United States, and helped the company grow through acquisitions from \$400 million to \$2 billion in sales. Prior to Imperial Sugar, Burke was a managing director at Harris Nesbitt's Food Group specializing in input, manufacturing, processing, distribution and retail companies.

Burke has a BA from Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana and a MBA from the University of Chicago.