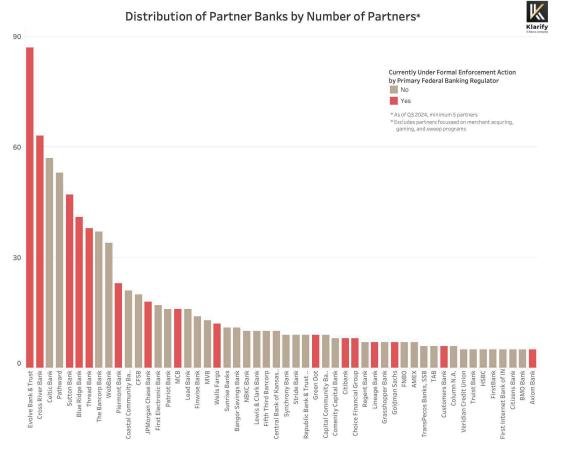


Klaros Advisors Insights

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#### The Klaros Quick Take



Nearly 1/3 of partner banks with at least five partners are operating under a formal enforcement action. More discussion to come on LinkedIn next week.

With rapidly emerging AI technologies challenging banks to revamp their technology strategies, we're excited to welcome <u>Zor Gorelov</u> as our newest senior advisor and offer clients the benefit of his wisdom and 20+ years of experience deploying AI tools into financial institutions globally. Reach him at <u>Zor@Klaros.com</u>.

#### Klaros in the Media

Recent media conversations have focused on the election and its implications.

- Brian Graham spoke with Caitlin Mullen of *Banking Dive* on <u>how a second Trump</u> term may change bank M&A.
- Michele Alt spoke with Jeff Kauflin of *Forbes* on <u>What Trump Means for Fintech</u> and with Kyle Campbell of American Banker on <u>why the Supreme Court matters for</u> <u>bankers this election</u>.
- Patrick Haggerty spoke with the *Minnesota Star Tribune*'s Mike Hughlett on why regulators are <u>cracking down on Minnesota community banks over fintech</u> <u>partnerships</u>.

## Our top 3 posts on LinkedIn, based on your feedback:

- Konrad Alt says the launch landscape for fintechs is bleak.
- Michele Alt says the presidential election matters less because the Supreme Court kneecapped the regulators in 2024.
- Adam Shapiro says there's a huge lending opportunity just waiting for banks.

# **Conferences & Events**

Michele Alt, Jonah Crane, Brian Graham, and Adam Shapiro hosted a *LinkedIn Live* event, <u>Radically Clear: Bank Regulations in the New Trump Era</u> on Friday, 11/15, discussing what to expect from the new administration in legislation, enforcement, payments, BaaS, charters, M&A, and bank investments. Catch the recording <u>here</u>.

Jonah Crane spoke with Simon Taylor, Jason Mikula, Alex Johnson, and Kiah Haslett on "BaaS to the Future" at the <u>AFC Policy Summit</u> in Washington DC on November 19.

Next up: Catch Jonah moderating the panel "How Fintechs Are Leveraging Compliance as a Competitive Advantage in an Increasingly Scrutinized BaaS Market" at <u>Fintech</u><u>Meetup</u> in Las Vegas in March.

## Get in touch

Facing a challenge? Have a topic you would like to discuss? Reach us at <u>hello@klaros.com</u>. Share your feedback and thoughts on other topics you'd like us to cover! klaros.com