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# Debt and Lending Markets: Current Trends Impacting Private Equity Sponsors

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In this episode of *PE Pathways*, Troutman Pepper Locke Partners Tricia McNeill and Jonathan Homer delve into the current state and trends in the debt and lending markets, particularly as they impact private equity sponsors. Key points include the Federal Reserve's decision to pause rate cuts, market uncertainty due to various economic factors, competition and collaboration between private credit and broadly syndicated markets, and cautious optimism for increased deal activity in the latter half of the year. They also emphasize the importance of strong lender relationships and adaptability in navigating the evolving debt market landscape.

*This podcast was recorded prior to the announcement on April 2, 2025, of the executive order implementing reciprocal tariffs.*

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