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Joe Lonsdale is the Founder and Managing Partner of 8VC, a venture capital firm managing over \$7 billion in committed capital. In 2003, he founded Palantir Technologies, a global software company known for its work supporting US and its allies' defense and intelligence.

Since then, he has founded over a dozen prominent companies, including Addepar, a wealth management platform helping investors manage over \$9 trillion, and OpenGov, a mission-driven cloud software provider for local governments, which sold to Cox for \$1.8 billion. He continues to create and scale companies through the 8VC Build program including Saronic, Epirus and Resilience Bio. Joe was an early large investor in Anduril, Oculus (acq. FB), Cognition, Guardant Health, Quince, Illumio, Blend, Flexport, Joby Aviation, Orca Bio, and Qualia, among many others.

In 2016, Joe and his wife Tayler founded the non-partisan Cicero Institute, which crafts and advances policies to promote effective and accountable governance. Cicero is successfully battling special interests and creating and passing a large amount of impactful legislation each year, with teams in over twenty US states. In 2021, Joe became the founding chairman of the board of the University of Austin (UATX), a new university dedicated to restoring purpose-driven higher education. He also sits on the board of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation & Institute. Joe, Tayler, and their six children live in Austin, Texas, USA.

