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DirectWomen Selects 20 Highly Accomplished Women Lawyers for 2017 Board Institute

The Board Institute Positions Women Lawyers for Service on Boards of Public Companies

NEW YORK —DirectWomen, whose mission is to promote women lawyers for service on the boards of public companies, is pleased to announce the members of its 2017 DirectWomen Board Institute class. The Board Institute will be held October 18-20, 2017 in New York City.

The 2017 DirectWomen class is comprised of General Counsel of *Fortune 500* companies, partners at top law firms, and other senior executives and advisors. These distinguished women lawyers represent a wide range of business knowledge and experience in their industries, which include finance, energy, retail, technology, and automotive.

Over 150 women have participated in the Board Institute over the past decade, and 22% of the Institute's alumnae now serve as directors of major public companies, such as: Visa, Inc., Valero Energy Corp., AK Steel Holding Corporation, Fluor Corporation, Boyd Gaming Corporation, and Occidental Petroleum Company, and others.

Board Institute participants are identified through a rigorous national search and selection process that involves a written application, reference letters, and a committee selection panel. At the Board Institute, they will have the opportunity to interact with an extraordinary faculty of leading CEOs, directors of large public companies, and top representatives of executive search firms. The Institute is chaired by Professor Hillary A. Sale, Sullivan & Cromwell Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School, Walter D. Coles Professor of Law and Professor of Management at Washington University in St. Louis, and member of the FINRA Board of Governors.

"The DirectWomen Board Institute provides a great opportunity for women attorneys to focus their analytical and problem-solving skills on positioning themselves for board service. The 2017 Class continues to make the case that women attorneys possess the judgment and business expertise needed to be an effective director," said Mary Ann Jorgenson, Selection Committee Chair and Past Chair of DirectWomen.

Roberta Liebenberg, the Chair of DirectWomen, stated that "DirectWomen is now celebrating its 10th Anniversary, and we are very proud of our role in promoting diversity on corporate boards." Members of the 2017 DirectWomen Board Institute include:

Janet Langford Carrig

Senior Vice President Legal, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, ConocoPhillips Company
Houston, Texas

Shauna Clark

Head of Employment and Labor Practice; Member of U.S. Management Committee and Global Executive Committee, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP
Houston, Texas

Rachel Giesber Clingman

Vice President Legal and General Counsel, BHP Billiton Petroleum and Minerals—Americas
Houston, Texas

Kelly McNamara Corley

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Discover Financial Services
Chicago, Illinois

Deneen L. Donnley

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, United States Automobile Association
San Antonio, Texas

Louise Firestone

Senior Vice President, Legal Affairs and General Counsel, LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton Inc.
New York, New York

Mary Jo Johnson

Retired Partner, WilmerHale
Boston, Massachusetts

Kim Koopersmith

Chairperson, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
New York, New York

Kimberly Lytikainen

Chief Legal Officer, Corporate Secretary and Compliance Officer, MINDBODY Inc.
San Luis Obispo, California

Kathleen Mahoney

Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary, SpartanNash Company
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Jean Molino

General Counsel, McKinsey & Company, Inc.
New York, New York

Annette L. Nazareth

Partner, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP
Washington, DC

Carla S. Newell

Chief Legal Officer and Chief Risk Officer, Ancestry.com Inc.
San Francisco, California

Sandra Phillips

Group Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel, Toyota Motor North America
Dallas, Texas

Cory Shade

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Perry Ellis International, Inc.
Miami, Florida

Karen Silverman

Managing Partner, San Francisco Office, Latham & Watkins LLP
San Francisco, California

Rachel R. Stern

Senior Vice President, Strategic Resources and General Counsel, FactSet Research Systems Inc.
Norwalk, Connecticut

Kellye Walker

Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc.
Newport News, Virginia

Kimberly L. Wilford

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, WageWorks, Inc.
San Mateo, California

Jennifer B. Wuamett

Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel for Intellectual Property and Litigation, NXP
Semiconductors
Austin, Texas

About DirectWomen

The mission of DirectWomen is to increase the representation of women lawyers on public company boards. DirectWomen identifies, develops, and supports a growing group of accomplished women attorneys who provide the experience, independence and diversity required for good corporate governance. Partners of the program include Catalyst, the leading nonprofit membership organization expanding opportunities for women in business, and the American Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession.

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