



MARGUERITE M. (MARGEE) ELIAS

SUMMARY

Senior executive and board member with 30+ years of business experience in a variety of industries. Effective, personable communicator with a strong leadership background and a deep understanding of business, strategy, finance, capital markets transactions, mergers and acquisitions, executive compensation, human resources and corporate governance. Led numerous companies through initial public offerings. Experienced in launching new businesses, leading international expansions, dealing with regulators around the globe, developing and implementing strategic plans and weathering industry downturns. Proven ability to build, mentor, lead and manage teams, tackle and complete daunting projects and drive change.

WORK EXPERIENCE

GOGO INC., Chicago, Illinois

September 2007-present

In-flight Wi-Fi and entertainment provider (NASDAQ: GOGO).

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

Member of five-person executive leadership team and a thought leader in strategic and business decisions. Trusted advisor to the Board of Directors, the CEO and other senior executives. Responsible for Gogo's global legal and compliance affairs in a highly regulated business. Developed and implemented a strategy for obtaining licenses or exemptions from aviation and communications regulators in the hundreds of countries in which customer airlines flew. Since pioneering in-flight connectivity in 2008, Gogo:

- Grew from a start-up to the industry leader in the business aviation and commercial aviation markets, with \$900 million in annual revenue and more than 1100 employees

- Expanded its business from the U.S. to the globe

- Added satellite networks to its legacy air-to-ground networks

- Partnered with the world's leading airlines, aircraft manufacturers and technology vendors

- Completed an IPO and multiple other financings including, most recently, a comprehensive refinancing of senior notes and convertible debt

- Sold its commercial aviation business to Intelsat SA for \$400 million

eCOLLEGE.COM, Chicago, Illinois and Denver, Colorado

2004 – 2007

Education software provider (NASDAQ: ECLG).

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Member of four-person executive leadership team who developed the company's strategy and negotiated the sale of eCollege to Pearson Education. Responsible for human resources and the legal affairs of the company.

CENTERPRISE ADVISORS INC., Chicago, Illinois

2001-2003

Privately held consolidator of regional accounting firms.

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Recruited by CEO to serve as first in-house lawyer at a company created by consolidating 11 regional accounting firms. Responsible for human resources and legal functions. Developed a framework for auditing and consulting practices consistent with regulatory requirements.

PARTNER - KATTEN MUCHIN ROSENMAN, Chicago, Illinois

1995 - 2001

Represented clients in a variety of industries in securities law, corporate governance and mergers and acquisitions. Extensive capital markets experience representing issuers and underwriters in initial and secondary public offerings. For last two years at Katten focused primarily on serving as lead lawyer in creation of Centerprise, which involved 11 acquisitions and public and private financing efforts.

ASSOCIATE - SKADDEN ARPS SLATE MEAGHER & FLOM, Chicago, Illinois

1986 - 1995

Corporate practice with a focus on securities law and corporate finance. Represented issuers and underwriters in numerous equity and debt offerings. Clients included Santa Fe Industries, UAL Corporation, Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley and others. Represented purchasers and sellers in mergers and acquisitions and related financings.

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

HELIX EDUCATION, INC., Denver, Colorado

2007 - 2020

Privately held provider of technology driven admissions and retention solutions for educational institutions.

Member of the Board of Directors and Compensation Committee throughout term; Chaired Compensation Committee from 2018 through 2020.

CANINE THERAPY CORPS, Chicago, Illinois

2018 – Present

Not-for-profit that provides interactive dog-assisted therapy to individuals in healthcare, social services and educational settings with the goal of helping them overcome challenges created by physical or mental trauma.

Member of the Board of Directors.

EDUCATION

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO SCHOOL OF LAW, Chicago, Illinois

1986

Juris Doctor, *Magna cum Laude*, graduated First in Class, Editor-in-Chief of Law Review

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, Evanston, Illinois

1976

Bachelor of Arts (Economics)