



Directors from REI, Chico's, AARP, Monsanto, and Others Become NACD Fellows in Q2 of 2015

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WASHINGTON, August 26, 2015 -- The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) today announced the names of 54 corporate directors who earned the NACD Fellowship credential during the second quarter (Q2) of 2015.

NACD Fellowship, the definitive director credential, is a comprehensive program of study developed to educate directors about perennial and emerging boardroom issues and best practices. Completion of this rigorous program demonstrates a director's serious commitment to exemplary corporate governance.

"The focus on directors' credentials will only become more intense as the efforts to improve corporate governance continue," said Jim Brady, former director of Constellation Energy Group Inc., McCormick & Co. Inc., and T. Rowe Price Group Inc. "NACD Fellow status is a differentiating factor that governance constituencies highly value."

Anne Sheehan, director of corporate governance at CalSTRS, concurred from an investor's standpoint: "America needs well-rounded directors who are sensitive to public company shareowners, and who can clearly demonstrate their value on proxy disclosures. I always look forward to meeting NACD Fellows."

The NACD Fellowship community is backed by more than 35 years of authoritative research and represents the combined knowledge capital of hundreds of today's leading companies.

"Directors who choose to enhance their skills and acumen by becoming NACD Fellows demonstrate to company management, shareholders, and their peers a desire to perform their fiduciary duties to the best of their abilities," said **Ken Daly**, CEO of NACD. "I am pleased to recognize these distinguished leaders, who are dedicated to upholding the highest standards of governance."

The new cadre of NACD Fellows includes 23 Board Leadership Fellows and 31 Governance Fellows, whose boards span a wide range of industries: agriculture, banking, computer software, energy and utilities, engineering, fast casual restaurants, financial services, healthcare, higher education, information technology (IT), insurance, manufacturing, natural resources, pharmaceuticals, private equity, professional services, retail, real estate, sporting goods, transportation, telecommunications, and more.

Individuals Named NACD Board Leadership Fellows, Q2 of 2015

Scott Alexander
John Blyzinskyj
Andy Chmar
Daryl Durum
Fuad El-Hibri
Kathy Harless
Edward Hayes
Nic Loiacono
Pete McCormick
Steve McMillan
Brenda Newberry
Stephanie Olexa
Carter Pate
Frederick Reinhardt
Susan Rivera
Coleman Ross
W. Graeme Rouston
Kathy Starkoff
Leslie Thornton
Steven Townsend
David Walker
William Wilkins
Dave Winston

Individuals Named NACD Governance Fellows, Q2 of 2015

Akosua Barthwell-Evans
Lyndell Brooks
Dinesh Chandiramani
Linda Clifford
Gretchen Dahlen

Keith Deussing
Thomas Duffy
Ken Gilvary
Alfredo Guerra
Mary Hitzemann
James Hutchinson
Larry Kean
Melissa Krasnow
Peter Lanciano
Alan Matthews
Tom McGimpsey
Drumm McNaughton
Carlos Montemayor
T. Duane Morgan
Rhonda Parish
Terry Peterson
James Pierce
Kenneth Revay
Tamera Robinson
Duleep Rodrigo
John Rood
Doug Schmidt
Curtis Sparrow
Ray Whittaker
Roger Wood
Dana Yealy

For more information about NACD Fellowship, visit NACDonline.org/Fellowship or contact Meghan Metzbower at Fellowship@NACDonline.org or 202-803-6764.

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The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) is the advocate for the profession of directorship and is focused on advancing exemplary board leadership. Informed by more than 35 years of experience, NACD delivers insights and resources that more than 16,000 corporate director members rely on to make sound strategic decisions and confidently confront complex business challenges. NACD provides world-class director education programs, national peer-exchange forums, and proprietary research to promote director professionalism, ultimately enhancing the economic sustainability of the corporate enterprise and bolstering stakeholder confidence. Fostering collaboration among directors, investors, and governance stakeholders, NACD is shaping the future of board leadership. To learn more about NACD, visit NACDOnline.org. To become an NACD member, contact Kelly Dodd at kkdodd@NACDOnline.org or 202-380-1891.

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