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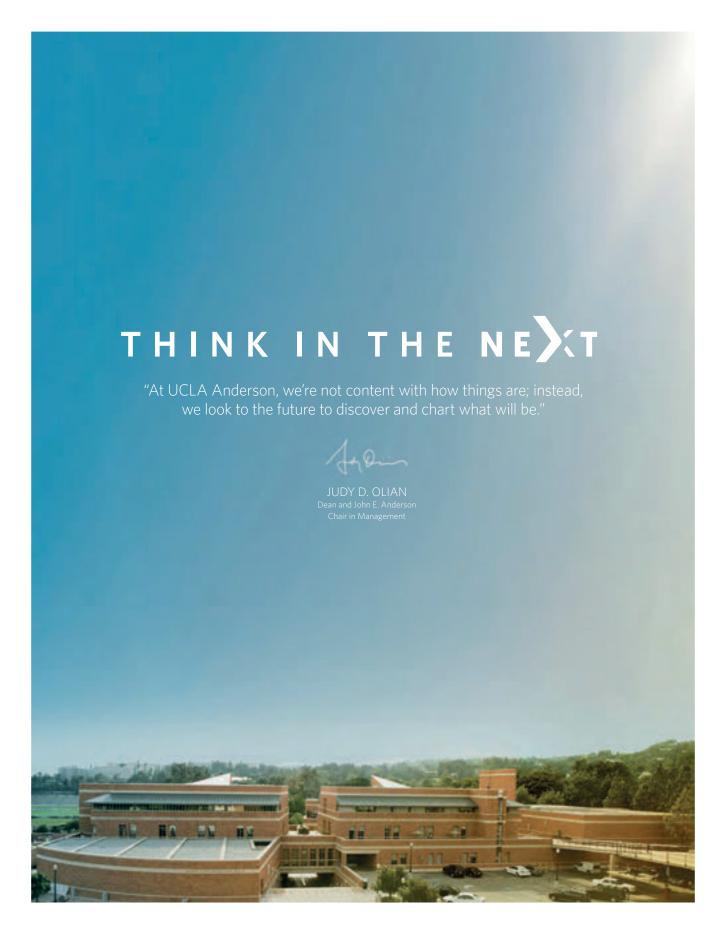
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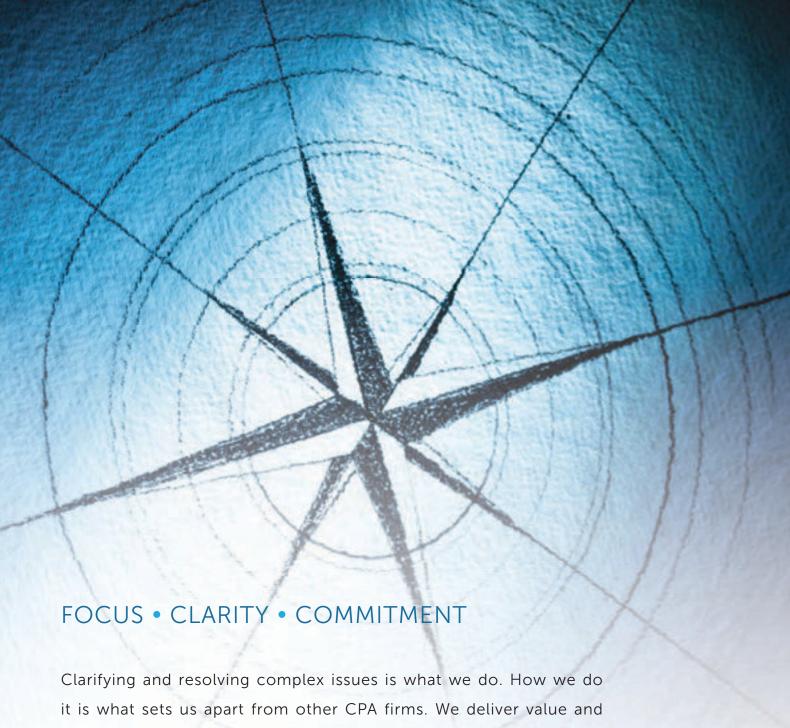
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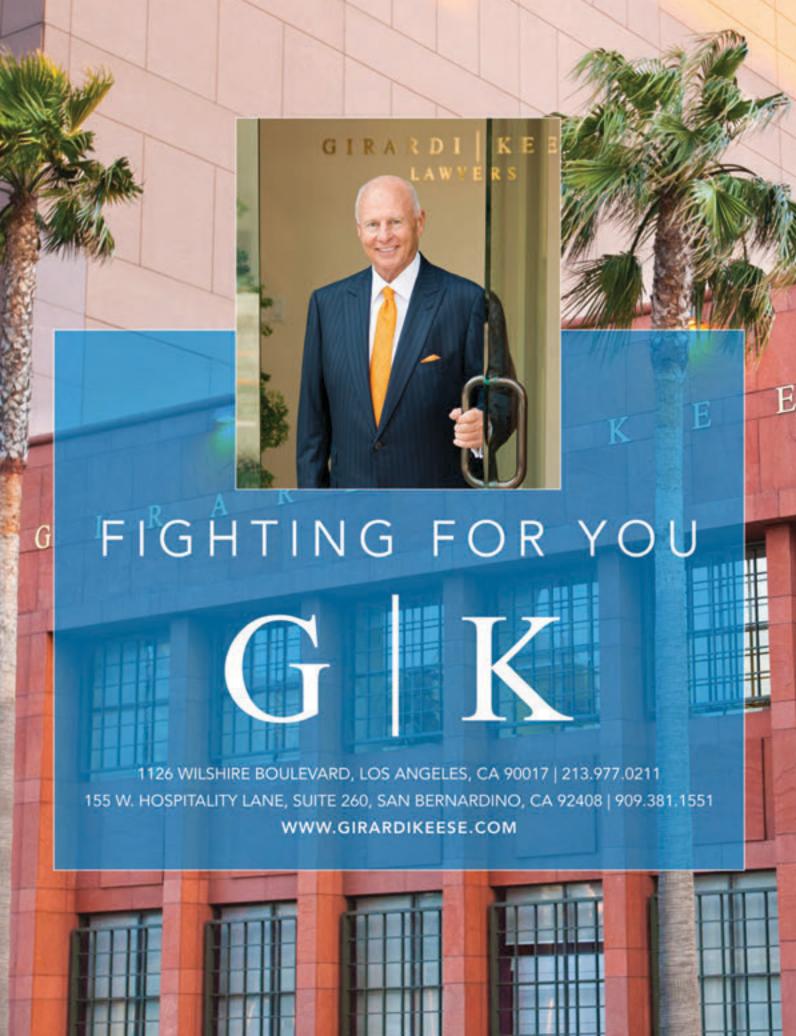


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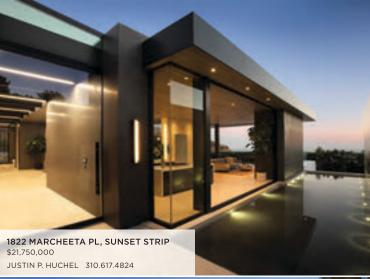
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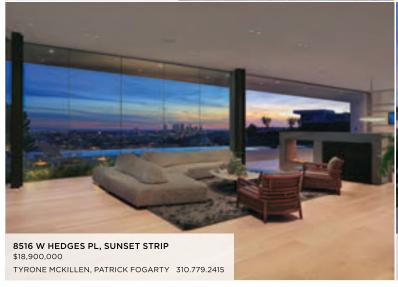
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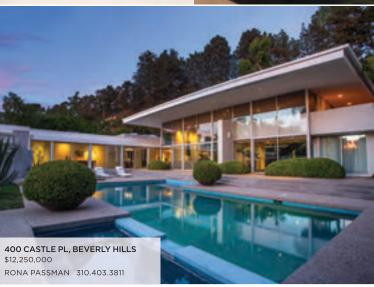












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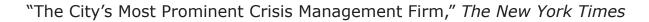
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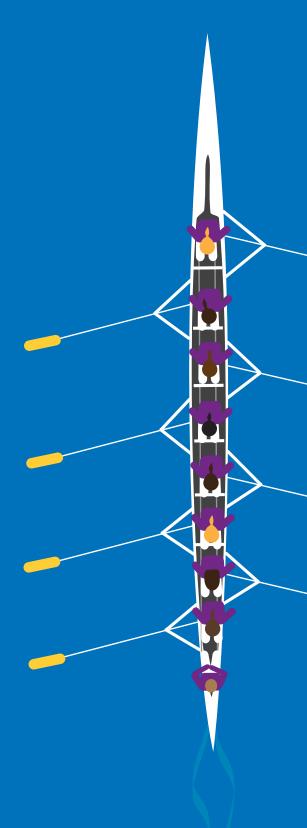
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#### METHODOLOGY

HE 2017 EDITION OF THE LA500: THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE in Los Angeles, marks our second attempt to narrow a dynamic region of 10 million people into a list of 500. Despite the groundwork we laid last year, assessing who should stay and who should be replaced was nevertheless a challenging task.

As we did last year, we tapped our reporters' expertise and sources, our research staff combed through the dozens of lists we produce each year, and our editors looked for people who were new to town or who might have been overlooked last year. And we had contributions from our readers as well, who in the weeks and months after the inaugural edition came out last year made many thoughtful suggestions.

Is it a thorough look at the region? Absolutely. Is it definitive? Perhaps not. In any endeavor such as this, there are bound to be people who are overlooked, and we'll be back with another edition of this book next year at this time, so there will be an opportunity to remedy those oversights and take stock of who's come and who's gone during the intervening year.

A word on the organization of this volume. With the exception of real estate and media/entertainment, which have an outsized but by no means dominant impact on our economy, our creative team designed a book in which people from disparate industries are grouped in broader chapters, such as Civic Leaders and Industry Leaders.

We also selected 16 people whose impact on Los Angeles transcended their core industries and opened the book with their profiles in a section called Visionaries.

In the end, we came up with a collection we believe represents the best of Los Angeles. That said, if you feel we overlooked a person who clearly ought to have been included — or included someone whose choice you question — we'd love to hear from you. Please email us at LA500@labusinessjournal.com.



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#### **WALLIS ANNENBERG**

Chief Executive
Annenberg Foundation

Wallis Annenberg strives to improve the well-being of people and communities throughout the world. She has spent much of her life focused on philanthropy, and is dedicated to education, communications, arts and culture, medical research, animal welfare, social justice, and environmental stewardship. The core values of her foundation are openness, accessibility, fairness, and relationship building. Under Annenberg's leadership, the L.A. office of the foundation has given in excess of a quarter-billion dollars to more than 500 organizations. Annenberg's commitment to building community space can be seen in the creation of the Annenberg Community Beach House located on the grounds of the former Marion Davies estate on Pacific Coast Highway, the Universally Accessible Treehouse project in Torrance, and the Wallis Annenberg Center for Performing Arts in the historic Beverly Hills Post Office. The foundation also opened the Annenberg Space for Photography, a state-of-the-art print and digital gallery in Century City.



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#### **ELI BROAD**

Founder **Broad Foundations** 

Eli Broad built two Fortune 500 companies from the ground up over a five-decade career in business. He is the founder of both SunAmerica Inc. and KB Home. Broad and his wife, Edythe, are co-founders of the Broad Foundations, which they established to advance entrepreneurship for the public good in education, science, and the arts. The Broad Foundations, which include the Eli and Edythe Broad Foundation and the Broad Art Foundation, have assets of \$3 billion. The Eli and Edythe Broad Foundation seeks to ensure that every student in an urban public school has the opportunity to succeed. The Broad Foundation also invests in advancing innovative scientific and medical research in the areas of human genomics, stem cell research, and inflammatory bowel disease. Over the past five decades, the Broads have built two of the most prominent collections of postwar and contemporary art worldwide: the Eli and Edythe L. Broad Collection and Broad Art Foundation. The Broads built and endowed a contemporary art museum and headquarters for the Broad Art Foundation on Grand Avenue in downtown Los Angeles. Broad was founding chairman and is a life trustee of the Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles. He is a life trustee of the Museum of Modern Art in New York and of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, which received a \$60 million gift from the Broads to build the Renzo Piano-designed Broad Contemporary Art Museum. In 1996, Eli Broad and then-Mayor Richard Riordan spearheaded a fundraising campaign to build the Frank Gehry-designed Walt Disney Concert Hall, which opened in October 2003. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a life trustee at Caltech, and on the board of the Future Generation Art Prize. The Broads gave a major gift to UCLA for the Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research, which opened in 2010. In 2008, they gave a major gift to UC San Francisco for the new headquarters of the Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regeneration Medicine and Stem Cell Research.

**ENJOY MOST** PROUDEST MOMENT

MOST EXCITED

Giving back and making a difference. Tie between getting Walt Disney Concert Hall built and building and opening the Broad museum. The harder you work, the luckier

**BEST ADVICE** you get.

The advances in scientific and medical research that will improve

human health - and hopefully lead to longer, healthier lives.

DRINK OF CHOICE Diet Coke. **ALMA MATER** 

Bachelor's, Michigan State University. **CAR YOU DRIVE** Porsche.

I don't know how to dive into a

pool headfirst.

**BUCKET LIST** Being a guest voice on "The

Simpsons." Collecting art.

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

**FUN FACT** 

India.

#### OUR





The Agency has built its reputation on three principles – strength of character, spirit for collaboration and passion for innovation. These ideals have created something more than a real estate brokerage. They've created real estate without boundaries. Real estate that moves you.



Rick J. Caruso is founder and chief executive of Caruso, one of the largest privately held real estate companies in the United States. Its portfolio includes the Grove, ranked No. 2 for sales per square foot in the United States by Green Street Advisors; Americana at Brand, ranked in the top 15 for sales per square foot by the International Council of Shopping Centers; the Commons at Calabasas; Promenade at Westlake; and Waterside at Marina del Rey. The firm's portfolio also features premier luxury residential properties, including 8500 Burton Way, and the restored Masonic Temple office building in Glendale. Caruso began his career as a real estate lawyer at Finley Kumble and formed his real estate firm in 1987.

ENJOY MOST Working with my talented staff on creating community gathering places.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE**Letting go of my "practical" career path as a lawyer and going into real estate.

PROUDEST MOMENT

A four-way tie on the lives of each of my children; donations to USC's Department.

A four-way tie on the lives of each of my children; donations to USC's Department of Otolaryngology, Caruso Family

Center for Childhood Communication, the Caruso Catholic Center, and Our Savior Catholic Church. Find a way to do what you love to do. In your career, focus on doing your best rather than seeking out ways to

damage competitors.

MOST EXCITED
I am motivated by all of the innovation I see around me – from self-driving cars to remote-control drone cameras.

My friends used to call me the Great Garbanzo because I loved garbanzo beans.

ALMA MATER Bachelor's, USC; JD, Pepperdine University.

**BEST ADVICE** 



#### **MICHAEL EISNER**

Chief Executive Tornante Co.

For four decades, Michael Eisner has been a leader in the American entertainment industry. He began his career at ABC, where he helped take the network from third to first place in prime time, day time, and children's television with such landmark shows as "Happy Days" and "Barney Miller." In 1976, he became president of Paramount Pictures, turning out hits such as "Raiders of the Lost Ark," "Saturday Night Fever," and "Grease." In 1984, Eisner became chairman and chief executive of the Walt Disney Co. and, in the ensuing 21 years, transformed it from a film and theme park company with \$1.8 billion in enterprise value into a global media empire valued at \$80 billion. For almost 30 years, companies that Eisner managed were either No. 1 or No. 2 at the movie box office. In 2005, he began the next act of his career by founding Tornante Co., a privately held firm that invests in, acquires, incubates, and operates media and entertainment businesses.



#### **DAVID GEFFEN**

Owner David Geffen Co.

David Geffen has made an indelible mark in the arenas of film, theater, and, most notably, music over the course of his distinguished career. Born in Brooklyn in 1943, Geffen started out in the mailroom of the William Morris Agency in New York at the age of 20, later becoming an agent and manager for a number of top talents such as Crosby Stills Nash & Young and Joni Mitchell. He launched Asylum Records in 1971, signing many of the discoveries he had made as a manager. In 1974, he joined Warner Bros. Pictures as vice chairman. Six years later, he returned to music to form Geffen Records, which he sold to MCA in 1990, remaining its chairman and chief executive. In October 1994, he, Steven Spielberg, and Jeffrey Katzenberg co-founded DreamWorks SKG, the first Hollywood studio to be formed in more than 50 years. Geffen has also helped bring several of Broadway's most celebrated musicals to the stage, including Tony Award winners "Cats," "M. Butterfly," and "Dreamgirls." His record-setting 2002 donation to the UCLA School of Medicine, now the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, was the largest donation of its kind. He has been a major benefactor to AIDS Project Los Angeles, Gay Men's Health Crisis, amfAR (Foundation for AIDS Research), God's Love We Deliver, the Elton John AIDS Foundation, and Project Angel Food, among others. Geffen has made substantial gifts to the Museum of Contemporary Art; the Los Angeles County Museum of Art; the Geffen Playhouse; the arts education programs of Spelman and Morehouse colleges; the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television; and USC's School of Cinema-Television. In 2015, he was the lead contributor to updating the newly renamed David Geffen Hall at Lincoln Center in New York.



Chairman and Chief Executive Mandalay Entertainment Group

Peter Guber is chairman and chief executive of Mandalay Entertainment Group. Prior to Mandalay, he was chairman and chief executive of Sony Pictures Entertainment, chairman and chief executive of Polygram Entertainment, co-founder of Casablanca Record & Filmworks, and president of Columbia Pictures. He is a co-owner and co-executive chairman of the Golden State Warriors, a co-owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers, and a co-owner and executive chairman of Major League Soccer's Los Angeles Football Club. He is a co-owner of Dick Clark Productions, chairman of Mandalay Sports Media, and co-executive chairman of e-sports ownership group aXiomatic. He is the author of No. 1 New York Times bestseller "Tell to Win."

#### **ROBERT A. IGER**

Chairman and Chief Executive Walt Disney Co.

Robert Iger is the steward of the world's largest media company and some of the most respected and beloved brands around the globe. His strategic vision for Disney focuses on three fundamental pillars: generating the best creative content possible, fostering innovation and utilizing the latest technology, and expanding into new markets around the world. Iger has built on Disney's rich history of unforgettable storytelling with the acquisitions of Pixar (2006), Marvel (2009), and Lucasfilm (2012), and the landmark openings of Disney's theme parks in China. Always one to embrace new technology, Iger has made Disney an industry leader through its creative content offerings across new and multiple platforms. Its exceptional entertainment experiences, widely diverse content, and unique skill in managing businesses in an integrated manner have led to strong results. In fiscal 2016, Disney delivered the highest revenue, net income, and earnings per share in company history.



#### **EARVIN "MAGIC" JOHNSON**

Chairman and Chief Executive, Magic Johnson Enterprises President of Basketball Operations, Los Angeles Lakers

Since retiring from pro basketball more than 20 years ago, the legendary star Earvin "Magic" Johnson has morphed into a business powerhouse who has dedicated his life to leaving a positive impact in underserved urban communities. Magic Johnson Enterprises is an investment conglomerate valued at an estimated \$1 billion. In his early years as an entrepreneur, he forged an alliance with Sony Pictures to develop Magic Johnson Theatres. In 1998, he teamed with Starbucks to become the only franchisee in the history of the company, acquiring and eventually selling 125 stores in a lucrative move that further solidified his position in the business world. Both ventures served as catalysts for redevelopment in urban communities. Still a commanding presence in the sports world, he became co-owner in 2012 of the Los Angeles Dodgers. He also co-owns the Los Angeles Sparks and Los Angeles Football Club, and is current president of basketball operations for the Los Angeles Lakers.



#### **SHERRY LANSING**

Chief Executive Sherry Lansing Foundation

Sherry Lansing has been involved in the production, marketing, and distribution of more than 200 films, including Academy Award winners "Forrest Gump" (1994), "Braveheart" (1995), and "Titanic" (1997). In 1980, she became the first woman to head a major film studio when she was appointed president of 20th Century Fox. In 1992, she was named chairwoman and chief executive of Paramount Pictures. She held that post until 2005, when she formed the nonprofit Sherry Lansing Foundation, which is dedicated to cancer research, health, public education, and encore career opportunities. She serves on the UC Board of Regents and is a trustee of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Los Angeles.

**ENJOY MOST** Giving back to others.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Learning to relax and take time off.

**PROUDEST MOMENT** It is yet to come.

BEST ADVICE Enjoy the process; do the work; there are no shortcuts; accept responsibility; develop your own style; don't be afraid to fail.

**MOST EXCITED** Cancer research, especially in the area of immunotherapy.

FUN FACT I love to travel incognito – wearing a baseball cap and no makeup. I am addicted to nonfat frozen yogurt.

**ALMA MATER** Bachelor's, Northwestern University.

**BUCKET LIST** Travel to New Guinea. lced tea or a margarita.

HOBBY/PASSION Downloading movies and TV shows on my iPad.

FAVORITE DESTINATION Italy

#### **MICHAEL MILKEN**

Chairman Milken Institute

Michael Milken has been at the forefront of initiatives in medical research, public policy, education, public health, and access to capital for more than four decades. In 1982, he formalized his previous philanthropy by co-founding the Milken Family Foundation. He chairs the Milken Institute, an economic think tank that works to increase global prosperity by advancing collaborative solutions that widen access to capital, create jobs, and improve health. He also chairs FasterCures, which aims to speed progress against all life-threatening diseases, and he joined leading physicians in launching the Melanoma Research Alliance to combat fatal skin cancers. In 2014, the Milken Institute School of Public Health at George Washington University was named in recognition of a Milken Institute gift. As a financier, Milken revolutionized modern capital markets with his risk-reward assessments.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working with the brilliant, dedicated people at the Milken Institute around the world as they expand access to capital, help create iobs, and advance health initiatives.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

In 1972, (my wife's) mom was diagnosed with breast cancer; then a few years later, my father learned his malignant melanoma was terminal. These were our first forays into understanding what could be done to accelerate the science to cure - or at least to more effectively treat - life-threatening diseases.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Nothing tops the births of our three children and nine grandchildren. I'm also very proud of the hundreds of colleagues who have made 20 years of Milken Institute Global Conferences such impactful events.

MOST EXCITED

The advance of technology is opening new possibilities for businesses and workers worldwide as well as accelerating lifesaving medical solutions. The challenge for our society is to assure meaningful lives for those who are disrupted by change.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Learn from history. Most situations have precedents that help leaders in any field to make more informed decisions.

BEVERAGE

A fruit smoothie.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

After seeing me do paperwork while driving, (my wife) convinced me to leave

the driving to someone else.

**ALMA MATERS FUN FACT**  Bachelor's, UC Berkeley; MBA, Wharton. I attended Birmingham High School along with Sally Field and Michael Ovitz, and was

named "Most Spirited."

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION?

To meet my great-grandchildren. Working with people who seek to improve the world. My wife and I are designated babysitters for the grandkids, and I also enjoy playing tennis, reading, and attending baseball games and cultural events like the Los Angeles Ballet.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Any place where I can learn something new.



#### **C.L. MAX NIKIAS**

President

University of Southern California

C.L. Max Nikias, president of USC, also holds faculty appointments in both electrical engineering and the classics. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a Charter Fellow of the National Academy of Inventors. He also serves as chairman of the PAC-12 Conference and the College Football Playoff board.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Interacting with students and parents - this is where I get the most direct feedback about what we're doing right and where we may need to improve.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

We eclipsed the \$6 billion fundraising target we set for ourselves in 2010. When our campaign was launched, at the height of the global financial crisis, many analysts doubted our ability to reach our target.

PROUDEST MOMENT

When we officially open USC Village, a 15-acre extension of our University Park Campus. USC Village is the largest single expansion of our university and the largest development in the history of South Los Angeles.

**BEST ADVICE** 

The most important foundation of any organization is built on attracting and developing the best available talent. With my schedule, the most

**BEVERAGE** 

important beverage is water! Between football games, alumni receptions, business travel, and - when I have a chance - cycling and skiing, staying

hydrated is a top priority!

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

Since I became president, I've been fortunate to have a driver to take me to and from campus and to and from the

various events.

**ALMA MATER** 

MS and Ph.D., State University of New York at Buffalo.

**FUN FACT** 

A lot of people are surprised that I'm on Instagram (@uscpres), which I enjoy tremendously as a platform to share behind-the-scenes moments from my life and work.

**BUCKET LIST** 

I hope to write a book on "leadership through the Greco-Roman classics,"

and to visit Sicily.

HOBBY/PASSION

My wife and I love cycling, and we do as much of it as we can, especially on weekends and during holidays. In the

winter, we are avid skiers.





#### **MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS**

Supervisor, Second District Los Angeles County

Mark Ridley-Thomas was elected in November 2008 and re-elected in June 2012 to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. He serves as chairman pro tem of the board, chairman of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and president of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission. Prior to his election to the Board of Supervisors, he served the 26th District in the state Senate, where he chaired the Committee on Business, Professions, and Economic Development. Ridley-Thomas' political career was preceded by a decade of service as executive director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Greater Los Angeles, which followed a five-year stint as a high school teacher. He is married to Avis Ridley-Thomas, co-founder and director of the Institute for Non-Violence in Los Angeles. They are the parents of Sinclair and Sebastian, both Morehouse College men.

PROUDEST MOMENT

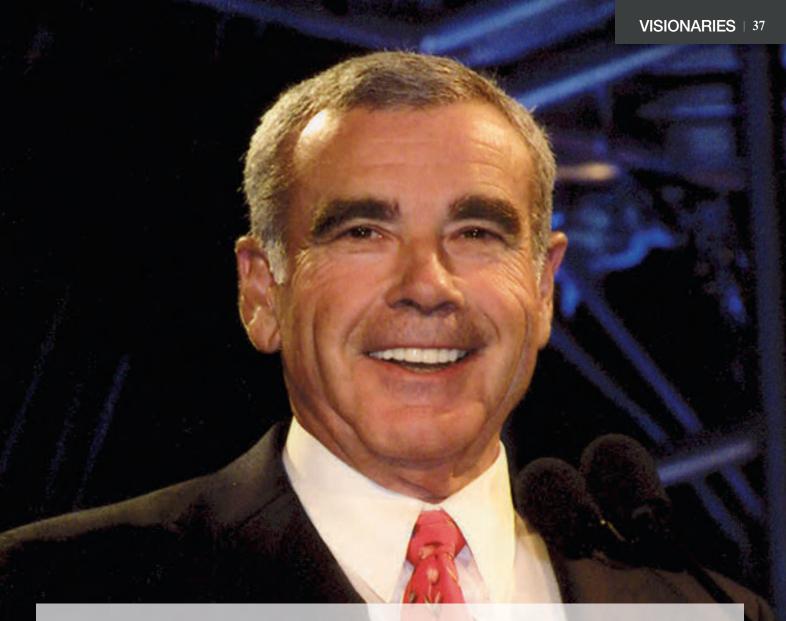
Dedication of the new Martin Luther King Jr. Community Hospital; reaching the halfway mark in construction of the Metro Crenshaw-LAX line and completion of the Expo Line.

ALMA MATERS BEVERAGE HOBBY/PASSION

Water.

Bachelor's, Immaculate Heart College; Ph.D., USC.

To be part of the civic engagement process that ensures the county's more than 10 million people have access to topnotch health care, parks, and numerous services, including law enforcement, tax collection, public health protection, and public social services.



#### **EDWARD P. ROSKI JR.**

Chairman and President Majestic Realty Co.

Edward P. Roski Jr. is president and chairman of one of the oldest and largest privately held real estate companies in the United States. Majestic Realty Co. owns, manages, and leases in excess of 78 million square feet of property for clients across the nation. Roski is co-owner of the Los Angeles Kings and Los Angeles Lakers. He played a critical role in developing the teams' arena, downtown's Staples Center. In 2002, he initiated the Majestic Realty Foundation, whose charitable giving and community outreach focuses on youth, family, education, health, and violence prevention. He served as an officer in the Marines from 1962 to 1966, during which time he was decorated for bravery with two Purple Hearts. In 2006, he and two business partners (one a Marine and the other a Navy Seal) started the Land of the Free Foundation, which supports veterans. Roski serves on the boards of the Bowers Museum, California Science Center, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, Loyola High School, and National Geographic Society, and is chairman emeritus of USC.

ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE PROUDEST MOMENT

**MOST EXCITED** 

The art of making "the deal" from the beginning to the end. And it doesn't matter how long it takes – I'm very patient! The mere fact that life is going too fast and there are so many things I still want to accomplish!

I wouldn't say that I've had one proudest moment because at the end of each day, I'm proud to be at the helm of a great company working with some of the most talented individuals I have ever met.

Innovation and technology; the sky's the limit.

BEST ADVICE Always have a plan, don't rush it, and follow your dreams.

BEVERAGE Tab.

CAR YOU DRIVE Bentley Continental.

ALMA MATER BS, USC.

AA MATER BS, USC.
FUN FACT I've never cooked a meal!

BUCKET LIST Travel into space.

HOBBY/PASSION? Travel and collecting tribal art.

FAVORITE DESTINATION Papua, New Guinea.

Trank

taul

Paul

E S

#### **HAIM SABAN**

Chairman and Chief Executive Saban Capital Group Inc.

Entertainment pioneer Haim Saban is chairman and chief executive of Saban Capital Group Inc. A native of Alexandria, Egypt, he moved to Los Angeles in 1983, where he launched a chain of recording studios that rapidly became the top supplier of music for television. Saban's foray into television production began in 1988, when he formed Saban Entertainment, an international television production, distribution, and merchandising company. In 1995, he merged his company with Rupert Murdoch's Fox Kids Network, creating a fully integrated entertainment company that combined Saban Entertainment's content and merchandising strength with Fox Broadcasting's network distribution. In 1997, the Saban-Fox partnership acquired the Fox Family Channel, a fully distributed cable network reaching 81 million homes. Shortly thereafter, he formed Saban Capital Group. In 2003, SCG led a group of investors that acquired a controlling stake in ProSiebenSat.1 Media, Germany's largest broadcasting group. In 2005, SCG teamed with Apax Partners and Arkin Communications to acquire a controlling stake in Israeli telecommunications business Bezeq as part of the government's privatization of the company. In 2007, SCG teamed with a group of investors to acquire Spanish-language media company Univision Communications Inc., which operates the No. 1-ranked Spanish-language TV network in the United States.

#### PATRICK SOON-SHIONG

Chief Executive NantWorks

Patrick Soon-Shiong invented and developed the revolutionary drug Abraxane, which has received Food and Drug Administration approval for the treatment of metastatic breast cancer, lung cancer, and advanced pancreatic cancer. He has pioneered novel therapies for both diabetes and cancer, published more than 100 scientific papers, and has more than 230 issued patents worldwide on advancements spanning myriad fields of technology and medicine. As part of his commitment to improve health care, Soon-Shiong formed NantWorks, an umbrella organization that oversees multiple companies and technology platforms looking to integrate cloud computing, genomic analysis, and targeted drug development to turn cancer into a manageable disease. He also announced the formation of Cancer Breakthroughs 2020, a comprehensive collaboration of researchers, insurers, and pharmaceutical companies that seeks to accelerate the potential of combined immunotherapy in the treatment of cancer. He is chairman of the Chan Soon-Shiong Family Foundation as well as chairman and chief executive of the Chan Soon-Shiong Institute of Molecular Medicine, a nonprofit medical research organization. He co-chairs the Council for Health and Innovation at the Bipartisan Policy Center and is a member of the Global Advisory Board of Bank of America. He is an adjunct professor of surgery at UCLA, and a visiting professor at the Imperial College of London and Dartmouth College. He is a board-certified surgeon and a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (Canada) and the American College of Surgeons.

**ENJOY MOST** 

After 25 years of pursuing the complex basis of what drives a cancer cell, we are finally at the point where we see the impact on patients' lives and changes in outcomes.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

During my early years, I had to convince my peers that the science of developing a protein nanoparticle would have great opportunities to impact cancer. Now we understand that protecting the immune system is paramount, and without that principle we will never win the war on cancer.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Being at the Vatican in 2016 with my wife and receiving the 2016 Pontifical Key Visionary Award. In 2017, being honored by the Smithsonian, where a vial of Abraxane, the drug I invented, will be placed in the museum. Pursue your passion and do not be deterred by

**BEST ADVICE** 

anyone to make the most impact. The possibility of curing cancer. I have a big sweet tooth.

**MOST EXCITED FUN FACT ALMA MATERS** 

MBBCh medical degree, University of Witwatersrand; master's, University of British

Columbia.

**BUCKET LIST** 

To travel to Galapagos Islands. They are famed for their vast number of endemic species and were studied by Charles Darwin during the

voyage of the Beagle.

**BEVERAGE OF CHOICE** HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Coke. Basketball. Hawaii.



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#### **KATHRYN BARGER**

Supervisor, Fifth District Los Angeles County

Kathryn Barger represents Los Angeles County's Fifth District, an area in which she was born and raised. Previously, Barger has been chief deputy supervisor where she managed the supervisor's office and served as the official liaison with



community and local business groups. She is also an expert on health care, mental health, and children's issues because of her work with former Supervisor Mike Antonovich. He has encouraged her to run and endorsed her candidacy. She is passionate about keeping L.A.'s neighborhoods and communities safe and helped implement Megan's Law to ensure all residents have information about sex offenders in their neighborhoods.

## WILLOW BAY

Dean USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism

Willow Bay, a veteran television journalist, digital news editor, and author, became dean of the Annenberg School on July 1. In addition to her role at the university, Bay also serves as senior strategic

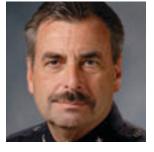


adviser for the Huffington Post and is a special correspondent for Bloomberg Television. She has reported from numerous special events for Bloomberg TV, including the Milken Institute Global Conference and Clinton Global Initiative. Bay also hosted "Women to Watch," Bloomberg TV's primetime program that profiled the next generation of women leaders in various industries. From 2007 to 2014, Bay was a senior editor at the Huffington Post.

#### **CHARLIE BECK** Chief of Police

Los Angeles Police Department

Charlie Beck was appointed chief of the Los Angeles Police Department in 2009. He oversees the third-largest police department in the United States, managing 10,000 sworn officers and 3,000 civilian employees, encompassing



a population of about 3.8 million people, and an annual budget that exceeds \$1 billion. His major priorities include the mitigation of crime, reduction of gang violence, containment of terrorism, and continuation of reforms that brought the department into compliance with a federal Civil Rights Consent Decree. Beck was appointed to the LAPD in 1977 after serving two years with the L.A. Police Reserve Corps. He was promoted to sergeant in 1984 and to lieutenant in 1993, followed by captain in 1999 and commander in 2005. In 2006, he achieved the rank of deputy chief.

#### **NICOLAS BERGGRUEN**

Chairman Berggruen Institute

Through the Berggruen Institute, an independent, nonpartisan think tank, Nicolas Berggruen encourages the study and design of systems of good governance suited for the 21st century. Berggruen is chairman of Berggruen Holdings, a private



company, which is the direct investment vehicle of the Nicolas Berggruen Charitable Trust. Berggruen Holdings has operations in the United States, Europe, and Asia, as well as real estate and financial investments globally. He is also a board director of Zewail City of Science and Technology, Egypt, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and Pacific Council on International Policy.

#### **AUSTIN BEUTNER**

Chairman Vision to Learn

Austin Beutner is a senior lecturer at Harvard Business School. He is the former publisher and chief executive of the Los Angeles Times and San Diego Union-Tribune, and the first publisher to serve in both roles. Earlier in his career, he worked



at the Blackstone Group, and at age 29 became the firm's youngest partner. He left Blackstone to serve in the U.S. government, where he led efforts to help Russia transition to a market economy after the collapse of the Soviet Union. He went on to found Evercore Partners and as president and co-chief executive built the firm into one of the leading independent investment banks in the world. In 2010, he accepted a \$1 annual salary to serve as First Deputy Mayor and Jobs Czar for the City of Los Angeles. He serves on the boards of the California Nature Conservancy, the Mammoth Mountain Community Foundation, the National Park Foundation, and the Pacific Council on International Relations. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. In 2012, he created Vision to Learn, a nonprofit that provides free eyeglasses to children in low-income communities.

**ENJOY MOST** 

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Giving kids a chance to succeed - in school and in life. We need to work to make sure all children will not have to face obstacles to a good education or a good-paying job. I broke my neck a few years ago in a mountain

biking accident. The recovery, after many surgeries, was not quick or easy.

PROUDEST MOMENT The birth of each of my four kids. **BEST ADVICE** Be honest, that should be obvious, but it seems

integrity is lacking among leadership in both public and private sectors. And work hard.

MOST EXCITED Watching my kids grow up.

**FUN FACT** I drove a delivery truck for a florist while in high school. Living in a small town and visiting every house on Valentine's Day - I was Snapchat 30

> years before it existed. Bachelor's, Dartmouth.

**ALMA MATER** 

Appearing on "Top Gear" and driving the **BUCKET LIST** Reasonably Priced Car on the track.

**BEVERAGE** 

Water



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**CAR YOU DRIVE** HOBBY/PASSION

VW Golf R.

Reading. I enjoy being physically active and mentally engaged, but there's nothing like a

good book to expand your thinking about people and ideas.

TRAVEL DESTINATION

New Zealand.

#### DAVID BOHNETT

Managing Member **Baroda Ventures** 

David Bohnett is a philanthropist and technology entrepreneur committed to effecting positive change through community building and social activism. In addition to serving as chairman of the David Bohnett Foundation, he is to become



chairman of the executive committee of the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts in September 2017. He is vice chairman of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association and a trustee of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, amfAR (The Foundation for AIDS Research), Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and USC. In 1994, he founded GeoCities.com, a media and e-commerce company that was acquired by Yahoo Inc. in 1999. He started his career as a staff consultant with Accenture (then Anderson Consulting) in Los Angeles. Bohnett also manages a portfolio of early stage technology investments through his private equity firm, Baroda Ventures,

**ENJOY MOST** 

Helping entrepreneurs create new markets and support their vision and passion; working with our nonprofit grantees to improve society

through social justice and activism.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Fighting discrimination and the pursuit of lesbian and gay civil rights and marriage equality.

PROUDEST MOMENT

When the internet company I started in 1994, GeoCities.com, went public in 1998.

MOST EXCITED

The domestic and international activists movement motivated to address

environmental stewardship, income inequality,

and human rights.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Pursue a job and an idea that's a personal passion, and don't be afraid to fail.

**ALMA MATERS FUN FACT** 

BS, USC; MBA, University of Michigan. I'm a fanatic about trains and an expert bridge player. I also like to conduct bike tours around

Los Angeles.

**BUCKET LIST** 

Ride the Eurostar train from London to Paris.

#### KATHLEEN BROWN

Partner Manatt Phelps & Phillips

A former California state treasurer with nearly two decades of experience as a senior bank executive, Kathleen Brown concentrates on business counseling, government, and regulatory affairs in connection with the health care.



energy, real estate, and financial services industries. Prior to joining Manatt, Brown served in senior executive positions at Goldman Sachs Inc. and Bank of America. A former Democratic Party gubernatorial nominee, Brown has extensive experience in the public sector.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Solving problems.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE Creating a new career after 1994, the

California governor's race.

BEST ADVICE

You never get a second chance to make a first impression, so be your best, be informed and

Water, Sauvignon Blanc, decaf quad expresso

respect people you deal with.

MOST EXCITED **FUN FACT**  Being alive to enjoy it. I used to make and sell neckties.

**ALMA MATERS** 

Bachelor's, Stanford University; JD, Fordham

University School of Law.

**BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE**  African safari with grandchildren.

macchiato.

Lexus hybrid. Hiking and grandkids.

HOBBY/PASSION TRAVEL DESTINATION

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

Anywhere with grandchildren.

#### **JAMES BUTTS**

City of Inglewood

Mayor James Butts is a 44-year veteran public servant. He has served 37 years in public safety and five years as an elected mayor. Butts previously served the residents of Inglewood for nearly two decades as a police officer, ultimately rising



to the rank of deputy chief of police. In 1991, he was selected to become chief of police for Santa Monica, where he served 15 years. Butts retired as one of the longest-serving police chiefs in Los Angeles County to serve as an assistant general manager of the Los Angeles World Airports system, tasked with public safety and counterterrorism.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The opportunity to participate and lead the resurrection of Inglewood to the brink of becoming an internationally known destination city.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

An \$18 million-plus structural operating deficit when I took office in 2011.

Forum No. 1 concert venue in California, 2016;

PROUDEST MOMENT

Moody's rating increase; S&P rating upgrade 2017 to A-. Rams announced relocation 2016. Chargers announce relocation 2017.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Become a destination city. Destination cities are more resilient during recessions.

MOST EXCITED

Opening day for the stadium. Opening ceremonies to be held in Inglewood for 2024 Olympic World Games if L.A. gets the bid. Three housing developments on line for construction completion by 2019.

BEVERAGE

Root Beer Freeze with pralines and cream

ice cream

**ALMA MATERS** 

MBA, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona: BS. Cal State Los Angeles

**FUN FACT** I'm ambidextrous.

**BUCKET LIST** 

To see my children succeed.

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  Reading. Hawaii.

THE LOS ANGELES 500

#### **ALEX CAPUTO-PEARL**

President United Teachers Los Angeles

Alex Caputo-Pearl is a teacher at Frida Kahlo High School and has been an elected member of the UTLA board for the last seven years, representing the union's west area. He has been teaching for more than 22 years: eight in elementary grades, one as an



elementary substitute and 13 in high school. He has been an elected chapter chairman for 11 years. Caputo-Pearl has 25 years of experience in labor and community organizing in local, state, and national campaigns. He lives in the neighborhood of Crenshaw High School, where he taught for 12 years.

#### JANET CLAYTON

Senior Vice President Edison International/ Southern California Edison

Janet Clayton leads internal and external communications, corporate and brand positioning, and community relations and philanthropic programs for Edison International/Southern California



Edison. Prior to joining Edison, Clayton was president of ThinkCure, a community-based nonprofit that raises funds for cancer research and is the official charity of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Earlier, she had a distinguished career at the Los Angeles Times as a key member of the news paper's leadership team. She held numerous positions, including editor of the editorial pages, and California section editor.

#### LODWRICK "LOD" COOK

Vice Chairman Emeritus Winnick & Co.

Lodwrick "Lod" Cook is vice chairman emeritus of Winnick & Co. and chief executive of Cane River Development Co., a residential real estate developer. He is also chairman of NeuroSigma Inc., a neuromodulation medical device



company. From 1998 to 2003, he was co-chairman of Global Crossing Ltd. Prior to that, he had a 39-year career at Atlantic Richfield Co., becoming chief executive in 1985, chairman and chief executive in 1986 and in 1995, chairman emeritus. Cook is a trustee of the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation, and founder of the Library Foundation of Los Angeles.

#### **GEOFFREY COWAN**

Director USC Annenberg Center on Communication Leadership & Policy

Geoffrey Cowan has made his mark as a lawyer, academic administrator, government official, best-selling author, distinguished professor, nonprofit executive, and Emmy Award-winning producer. In 2010,



the trustees of the Annenberg Foundation Trust at Sunnylands appointed him to serve as first president of the trust, developing it into a world-class venue for important retreats for top government officials and leaders in the fields of law, education, philanthropy, arts, culture, science, and medicine. A former dean of USC's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism, he is director of USC Annenberg's Center on Communication Leadership and Policy.

#### **JOHN C. CUSHMAN III**

Chairman, Global Transactions Cushman & Wakefield Inc.

Prior to becoming chairman, and subsequently co-chairman of Cushman & Wakefield Inc., John C. Cushman III was acknowledged as the top office leasing broker in the country. He began his career with Cushman & Wakefield in 1963 in



New York. In 1967, he moved to Los Angeles to open Cushman & Wakefield's office in Southern California. John and his twin brother, Louis, started Cushman Realty Corp., which merged with Cushman & Wakefield Inc. in 2001. Cushman & Wakefield merged with DTZ in 2015. He is a member of the Boy Scouts National Executive Board, Boy Scouts Foundation, and President's Leadership Council. He is a former trustee of the Urban Land Institute, former member and director of the Real Estate Roundtable, and formerly a director of the National Park Foundation. Cushman is also a trustee emeritus of Colgate University.

**ENJOY MOST** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** 

MOST EXCITED

**FUN FACT** 

**ALMA MATERS** 

**BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE** 

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  Being a part of a multidisciplined team that focuses on commercial solutions for our clients. Watching each of my four sons pursue multiple degrees in higher education. "The early bird gets the worm" and "The harder you work, the luckier you get." Working with young people at Cushman & Wakefield who are passionate and committed. Most people think I hardly ever sleep but, in fact, I enjoy a good rest from time to time. Bachelor's, Colgate University: Master's,

Harvard Business School. A flight into outer space.

Zaca Mesa Winery Black Bear Block Syrah. Golf, fly-fishing, horseback riding.

London and Paris.

#### **BRIAN D'ARCY**

Business Manager International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 18

As business manager of IBEW Local 18, Brian D'Arcy helps represent 8,000 workers in Los Angeles. He was born and raised in New York and has spent the majority of his adult life working on behalf of California



workers. Since 1992, D'Arcy has served as business manager of the local. Outside of his duties, he has been heavily involved in shaping policies that benefit workers across the state. D'Arcy is also co-chair of nonprofit Working Californians.

#### **GRAY DAVIS** Counsel Loeb & Loeb

Joseph "Gray" Davis has more than 30 years' experience in the public service sector. He was governor of California from 1999 to 2003. Davis made education a top priority, signing legislation to strengthen California's K-12 system, increasing accountability



in schools and expanding access to higher education with a record number of scholarships and college loans. These reforms improved student achievement scores for six consecutive years. He is currently an adviser to companies and provides a strategic approach to solving complex issues.

#### **MARIA ELENA DURAZO**

General Vice President/Immigration, Civil Rights, and Diversity Unite-Here

Maria Elena Durazo was elected to serve as executive secretarytreasurer of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, in 2006. Before leading the federation, Durazo was elected as president and



built the hotel workers union Unite-Here, Local 11, into one of the most active unions in the county. Her hard work led her to become the first Latina elected to the executive board of Unite-Here International in 1996, and in 2004 she became executive vice president of Unite-Here International. Durazo also had the great honor of serving as a national co-chair for Barack Obama's presidential campaign. She is vice chair of the Democratic National Committee and announced her intention to run for a state Senate seat in 2018.

# **JOHN B. EMERSON**

Former Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany U.S. Department of State

John B. Emerson served as ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany until January 2017. He previously served as president of Capital Group Private Client Services from 1997 to 2013. As an



ambassador, Emerson was the 2015 recipient of the State Department's Sue M. Cobb Award for Exemplary Diplomatic Service. Emerson also served on President Bill Clinton's senior staff from 1993 to 1997.

# MIKE FEUER

City Attorney City of Los Angeles

Mike Feuer has long been one of California's leading lawyers and lawmakers. As L.A.'s chief lawyer and prosecutor since July 2013, he has brought an innovative, problem-solving focus to the office that combines tough and effective



prosecution with initiatives to improve public safety and the quality of life throughout the city. Feuer has focused on neighborhoods, nearly tripling the Neighborhood Prosecutor Program and creating a Community Justice Initiative. He has sued to protect consumers and created the Gun Violence Prevention Unit.

#### **DAVID FLEMING**

Founding Chaiman Los Angeles County Business Federation

David Fleming, a former attorney with Latham & Watkins, is the creator and founding chair of the Los Angeles County Business Federation, or BizFed. He was an instigator of the successful charter reform movement in the city of Los Angeles. In 1997, he



and then-Mayor Richard Riordan co-chaired a voter initiative to reform city government, culminating in the creation of an elected citizens' Charter Reform Commission that drafted a new charter adopted by voters in 1999. He serves on the board of the Southern California Metropolitan Water District, representing the city of Los Angeles. He is a past chairman and currently a member of the executive committee of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corp.

#### **RON S. GALPERIN**

City Controller City of Los Angeles

Ron Galperin was elected city controller for Los Angeles in 2013. He is the first Neighborhood Council member elected to citywide office in the city. Prior to his election, Galperin built a reputation as a leading voice for government



reform and spent 20 years as a transactional and litigation attorney and small-business owner. As chairman of the Los Angeles City Commission on Revenue Efficiency, Galperin found new revenue sources and budget savings, both of which could be used to deliver more city services to residents. He has served on the Los Angeles City Human Relations Commission's LGBT committee and the Neighborhood Council LGBT Caucus. He has been an active supporter of Equality California, the L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center, and other organizations.

**ENJOY MOST** TOUGHEST CHALLENGE Just about everything having to do with my job. Coming from the private sector to city government, I've had to learn to navigate and overcome a lot of the bureaucracy. It's both a challenge and an opportunity.

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** MOST EXCITED

**FUN FACT** 

**BEVERAGE ALMA MATERS** HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

When I suggested we put the city's financials on our website for everyone to see.

Follow your passion and do your homework. Los Angeles has nearly limitless opportunity to be the best place to live, to work, and to visit. I once took a UCLA class on putting together a

nightclub act. Coconut water.

Washington University; JD, Loyola Law School. I have a love of architecture and art. Ever-changing; wherever my next trip will be.



## **ERIC GARCETTI** City of Los Angeles

Eric Garcetti is the 42nd mayor of Los Angeles. His agenda is heavily focused on job creation, addressing homelessness, and solving everyday problems for residents. From 2001 until taking office as mayor, he represented the 13th City Council



District, which includes Hollywood, Echo Park, Silver Lake, and Atwater Village, among other neighborhoods – all of which were dramatically revitalized under Garcetti's leadership. Raised in the San Fernando Valley, he earned his bachelor's and master's from Columbia University. He studied as a Rhodes scholar at the University of Oxford and the London School of Economics, and has taught at Occidental College and USC.

## **JOSÉ HORACIO GOMEZ**

Archbishop Archdiocese of Los Angeles

José Horacio Gomez is the fifth archbishop of Los Angeles. He is the first Latino to serve in the position as well as the highest-ranking Latino bishop in the United States. He has played a leading role in the Catholic Church's efforts to promote



immigration reform and is author of the 2013 book "Immigration and the Next America: Renewing the Soul of Our Nation." Gomez has served as chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Migration and is a papal appointee to the Pontifical Commission for Latin America. He is currently serving a three-year term as vice president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

#### **ROBERT GARCIA**

Mavor City of Long Beach

Robert Garcia is an educator and the 28th mayor of Long Beach. He has taken a leadership role in economic development, education, and investing in technology. Garcia has been a member of the public policy and communications faculty at USC,



and taught at both California State University, Long Beach and Long Beach City College. Garcia co-founded the Long Beach Post, a news website, in 2007. He was elected to the Long Beach City Council in 2009. Garcia was born in Peru and immigrated to the United States at age 5 with his family. He was the first person in his family to graduate from college.

#### RANDY GORDON

Chief Executive Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce

Randy Gordon has been president and chief executive of the Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce since April 1994. Prior to his position at Long Beach, he was chief executive of the Covina Chamber of Commerce for 12 years. Gordon is

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE



a past chairman of the board for the Western Association Chamber Executives. A past president of the Southern California Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives, Gordon serves on the boards of the YMCA, California Conference for Equality and Justice, St. Mary Medical Center, Long Beach City College Foundation, California State University, Long Beach's School of Engineering, and the Long Beach Grand Prix Foundation.

#### RUSSELL GOLDSMITH

Chairman and Chief Executive City National Bank

Russell Goldsmith is chairman and chief executive of City National Bank, which was acquired by Royal Bank of Canada in November 2015. City National has \$45 billion in assets, 4,200 colleagues, 72 offices



in five states, and manages or administers \$55.7 billion in client investment assets. Goldsmith also leads RBC Wealth Management in the United States, a nationwide business that oversees combined client investment assets of more than \$350 billion. As chairman of the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy & Jobs, he leads an independent organization of local leaders focused on fostering economic and job growth. He has served as a member of the Federal Reserve Board's Federal Advisory Council. A founder the Mid-Size Bank Coalition of America, Goldsmith also serves on the board of Cedars-Sinai Hospital. He was previously chairman and chief executive of Republic Pictures Corp., vice chairman of the San Diego Padres, and chief operating officer of Lorimar Inc.

**ENJOY MOST** I get to meet and work with so many

successful business owners; from owners of small companies to CEOs of large companies. Our Chamber endorses political candidates

for public office. When we lose, we have to work with that elected official, which can be challenging.

PROUDEST MOMENT The births of my six grandkids! **BEST ADVICE** 

Always have a plan and work the plan. If it fails, come up with another plan until it's

MOST EXCITED My retirement and spending more time with Nancy and my grandkids; learning how to play

golf much better than I do now.

**BEVERAGE** Iced tea. ALMA MATER

AA, Cerritos College; BA, California State

University, Fullerton.

**FUN FACT** I grew up on a cotton farm in west Texas, and

if someone asked me to describe an acre of land, I would say, "It's 12 rows of cotton a

guarter mile long."

**BUCKET LIST** I want to have a conversation with Mike Trout, I

love watching him play.

HOBBY/PASSION I enjoy being an auctioneer and raising money

for my favorite charities.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Italy. I love the food and the people.

#### **LERON GUBLER**

**Chief Executive** Hollywood Chamber of Commerce

Leron Gubler has been president and chief executive of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce for 25 years. He assisted in the development of four successful business improvement districts and directed the advocacy organization



through the process of successfully creating the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee in 2010 and the unique Hollywood Chamber of Commerce Community Foundation in 1993. Gubler previously served as president of the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce. He serves on the advisory board to Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center and on the board of Film L.A. Inc.

> **ENJOY MOST** Working with the Chamber's volunteers, who

are committed to the future of our community. **TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Dealing with inertia. Helping people catch the

vision is the challenge.

PROUDEST MOMENT Other than the birth of my children, the

> opening of the Hollywood & Highland center. I knew then the Hollywood comeback was real. I am most excited about Hollywood's future.

MOST EXCITED To turn around the historic film capital and see

it become a vibrant live-work community is verv exciting.

**BEST ADVICE** 

If you say you are going to do something, then

you'd better do it.

BA and Masters of Public Administration, BYU. **ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

I'm a country boy, coming from the farm

country of Central California. A lot more international travel.

BUCKET LIST HOBBY/PASSION Gardening and hiking.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Europe.

#### **VERA GUERIN** Immediate Past Chair Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

A member of the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center board, Vera Guerin inherited her father's stake in major California homebuilder Shapell Industries which sold for \$1.6 billion in 2013. While she maintains an interest in the company, she



has put that money to use in her philanthropy, donating \$5 million to the Cedars-Sinai Women's Guild Lung Institute and \$10 million in 2013 to establish the Vera and Paul Guerin Family Congenital Heart Program at Cedars-Sinai; \$10 million to endow two academic chairs in pulmonary medicine and pediatric neurosurgery and to support Cedars-Sinai's Advanced Health Sciences Pavilion. She is the immediate past chair of Cedars-Sinai's board and is a former president of the Women's Guild. She is a theater producer and produced the shows "Leap of Faith," "Amadeus," and "Tom Jones, the Musical."
Guerin continues to be involved in building development and net leasing, and remains deeply committed to her role at Cedars-Sinai.

#### **TAMARA GUSTAVSON**

**Board Member Public Storage** 

Tamara Gustavson is the largest individual shareholder of Public Storage, a self-storage company founded by her father, B. Wayne Hughes, in 1972 that operates thousands of company-owned locations in the United States and



Europe. She is a former vice president of the company. Gustavson also works with American Commercial Equities Management, a commercial real estate company that owns and operates retail properties in California and Hawaii. She is a trustee of USC and a supporter of charitable and community organizations, particularly in the areas of education, health care, and medical research. From 2004 to 2008, she served on the board of the USC-CHLA Institute for Pediatric Clinical Research.

#### **JANICE HAHN** Supervisor, Fourth District

Los Angeles County

Janice Hahn inherited her passion for public service from her late father, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. She was elected to the Los Angeles City Council in 2001, and represented the 15th District spanning from the port communities of San Pedro and



Wilmington through Harbor City, Harbor Gateway, and Watts. Hahn won a special election to Congress in 2011. For more than five years, she represented her constituents on the House Homeland Security Committee, Committee on Small Business, and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. She founded the PORTS Caucus and recruited more than 100 of her fellow House members to advocate for ports issues and infrastructure. She was elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in 2016. As Supervisor for the Fourth District, she is making addressing the homelessness crisis her top priority.

#### **GENE HALE Chief Executive** G&C Equipment Corp.

Gene Hale has extensive knowledge and expertise in the construction material and supply industry, and has been called upon to lend his insight and expertise in key advisory positions and various pivotal capacities. Hale was appointed by



President Barack Obama to the President's Export Council. Gov. Jerry Brown appointed Hale to the Governor's International Trade and Investment Advisory Board. In addition to being the founder and chief executive of G&C Equipment Corp., Hale serves on the Southern California Leadership Council board, is chairman of the Greater Los Angeles African American Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Gardena Police Foundation.

#### TRACY RAFTER **HERNANDEZ**

Chief Executive Los Angeles County Business Federation

Tracy Hernandez was instrumental in the Los Angeles County Business Federation's organizational founding, as well as its early warning, advocacy, and outreach efforts. The federation aims to boost civic engagement



among the elusive business-owner market segment. Launched in 2008, nonprofit BizFed serves more than 130 business organizations representing a diverse cross-section of more than 268,000 businesses across the county, and works to advocate for positive public policy, legislation, and civic engagement across the region's diverse business community. Hernandez also is the owner of the business advisory firm Impower Inc. She previously served as the first female publisher of the Los Angeles Daily News.

#### **RUSTY HICKS**

**Executive Secretary-Treasurer** Los Angeles County Federation of Labor,

Rusty Hicks, executive secretarytreasurer of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, leads one of America's largest labor federations, comprising 300 local unions representing more than 800,000



workers. He was elected to his leadership position after serving as the federation's political director since 2006, and after completing his deployment to Afghanistan as a lieutenant in the Navy Reserve. In addition to his work at the federation, he serves on multiple boards including the United Way of Greater Los Angeles, LA 2024 Olympic Committee, Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy, Coro Southern California, and the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy & Jobs.

#### **DAVID HUERTA**

President Service Employees International Union, United Service Workers West

David Huerta is president of SEIU-USWW, representing more than 45,000 janitors, security officers, airport workers, and allied and entertainment workers throughout California. It is part of the Service



Employees International Union, an organization of 2.2 million members united by the belief in the dignity and worth of workers and the services they provide and dedicated to improving the lives of workers and their families and creating a more just and humane society. He has been with USWW for more than 20 years, working in almost every capacity; beginning as a young organizer, a lead, a coordinator to janitorial division director, then organizing director, staff director, and now president.

#### **MICKEY KANTOR**

Partner Mayer Brown

Mickey Kantor concentrates his practice on corporate and financial international transactions. He has extensive experience in market access issues. Prior to joining Mayer Brown, Kantor was the U.S. secretary of commerce and the U.S.



trade representative. He has been called "arguably the finest trade negotiator in the world." Among the many awards and honors he has received are the Civic Medal of Honor by the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, the Thomas Jefferson Distinguished Public Service Medal from the Center for the Study of the Presidency, and the Albert Schweitzer Leadership Award from the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation.

#### **GEORGE DAVID KIEFFER**

Manatt Phelps & Phillips

George Kieffer, a partner in the government and regulatory practice at Manatt, uses his legal skill and extensive knowledge of Los Angeles in particular to counsel clients on local, regional, and state regulatory matters in California. He is a special



counselor to both middle-market and Fortune 500 companies, representing clients from multiple industries. The chair of Manatt's government and regulatory policy practice, he is also a member of the firm's executive committee. Kieffer successfully chaired the appointed commission charged with rewriting the charter of the city of Los Angeles. He regularly advises policymakers, as well as clients, on the application of the charter and related policy issues. He is a regent of the University of California.

#### **KENT KRESA**

Chairman MannKind Corp.

Kent Kresa is chairman of Mannkind Corp., where he has served on the board since 2004. He is also chairman emeritus of Northrop Grumman Corp., where he served as chairman from September 1990 until October 2003. He was



chief executive from January 1990 until March 2003, and president from 1987 until September 2001. During this time, he transformed Northrop from a small boutique military contractor with \$5 billion in annual revenue to a thriving, broad-based \$28 billion enterprise with 120,000 employees. Kresa serves on several corporate boards, including Fluor Corp. He is also chairman of Caltech and of the Lincoln Laboratory at MIT; he is a member of UCLA Anderson School of Management board of visitors, the advisory councils of the Keck School of Medicine at USC and of the Music Center Foundation, and chairman of the Music Center of Los Angeles for the Performing Arts. While on the board of General Motors Corp., he was appointed interim chair by the Obama administration through the company's bankruptcy from March to July 2010.

#### **SHEILA JAMES KUEHL**

Supervisor, Third District Los Angeles County

Sheila James Kuehl, representing Los Angeles County's Third District, was elected on Nov. 4, 2014, and assumed office on Dec. 1 of the same year. Since then, she has collaborated on or undertaken a number of initiatives and motions to improve quality of



life and reform systems in the county. She is chairwoman of First 5 Los Angeles, and on the boards of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Exposition Construction Authority, and L.A.'s Local Agency Formation Commission. Kuehl previously served eight years in the state Senate and six years in the Assembly. She is the founding director of the Public Policy Institute at Santa Monica College and, in 2012, was Regents' Professor in Public Policy at UCLA. She was the first woman in California history to be named speaker pro tempore of the Assembly, and the first openly gay or lesbian person to be elected to the California Legislature. In her youth, she was known for her portrayal of Zelda Gilroy in the TV series "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis."

**ENJOY MOST** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

HOBBY/PASSION

I like working every day to help our residents have a better chance in every aspect of life.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** The hardest thing I ever did was coming out, but it turns out that it gave me a reputation almost instantly for honesty and courage

> which any politician would kill for. Passing the Student Safety and Violence

Prevention Act of 2000. **BEST ADVICE** 

Don't be afraid. I'm very proud that I wasn't too frightened to run for office as a gay person.

MOST EXCITED The county's "Green Power" initiative, giving consumers new energy options and creating

clean energy jobs in California.

**FUN FACT** I was a child actress and starred in "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis."

**ALMA MATERS** BA, UCLA; JD, Harvard Law School. **BUCKET LIST** To sing in a show at the new Ford Theater. **BEVERAGE** 

Unsweetened ice tea. Going to the movies.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Sacramento to see my sister.

#### JESSICA LALL

**Chief Executive** Central City Association

Jessica Lall is president and chief executive of the Central City Association, where she represents the interests of more than 400 businesses, trade associations, and nonprofit organizations that employ more than 350,000 people in Los Angeles



County. Prior to joining CCA, she served as executive director of the South Park Business Improvement District, where she envisioned and implemented a nationally lauded public art initiative, expanded district boundaries, launched innovative pilot programs, and elevated the neighborhood with a strategic branding and economic development plan. Lall was previously senior policy director in the Department of Economic and Business Policy group for former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and also served as communications director for

Austin Beutner's mayoral campaign. She serves on the board of Metro Charter Elementary School and Coro Southern California.

**ENJOY MOST** 

**BEST ADVICE** 

**FUN FACT** 

I love the people I get to work with. It is where I derive most of my energy and inspiration.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Completing my first Olympic Distance Triathlon 7 months after I tore my MCL in a skiing accident. When you are in a position to help someone -

do it. Connections and relationships are what make the world go around.

I spent most of my years growing up in Texas

and England.

**BUCKET LIST** To hike Machu Picchu in Peru.

BA, USC. ALMA MATER

HOBBY/PASSION Travel and engage in physical activities like hot yoga, mountain biking, skiing, horseback

riding, and scuba diving.

#### **NORMAN LEAR**

Chairman Act III Communications

Norman Lear began his television writing career in 1950, going on to create hit shows such as "All in the Family," "Sanford and Son," and "Good Times." Concerned about the growing influence of radical religious evangelists, Lear decided to leave



television in 1980 and formed People for the American Way, a nonprofit organization designed to speak out for Bill of Rights guarantees and to monitor violations of constitutional freedoms. Lear's business career continued in 1982, when Tandem Productions and his other company. T.A.T. Communications, were folded into Embassy Communications, which was sold in 1985. Lear then created and is currently chairman of Act III Communications, a multimedia holding company with interests in television, motion pictures, and licensing. He has also founded the Business Enterprise Trust and the Norman Lear Center at the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism. In 1999, President Bill Clinton bestowed him with the National Medal of Arts.

#### MARY LESLIE

President Los Angeles Business Council

Mary Leslie is president of the Los Angeles Business Council, an advocacy and educational organization dedicated to serving local businesses. For more than 70 years, the council has been an influential link between business



and government, and has impacted public policy issues related to education, housing, and environmental sustainability. Under her leadership, the nonprofit has developed a national reputation as a catalyst for innovative policy in the fields of housing, transportation, renewable energy development, clean tech, and more. Leslie is also president of Leslie & Associates, a consulting firm that specializes in nonprofit management, strategic planning, and government affairs.

PROUDEST MOMENT

When sustainability policies like energy efficiency and renewables became accepted ways of doing business not outliers. Tenacity matters, after the hard work of getting

**BEST ADVICE** 

an issue right you have to be willing to stick with it and be patient.

**FUN FACT** 

I spent a summer propping banana trees on a kibbutz in Northern Israel.

**BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE** HOBBY/PASSION

Aspen Ski Patrol or instructor.

Red wine, Tuscan.

Hiking, love being outside in the mountains.

#### PETER LOWY

Executive Director, co-Chief Executive Westfield Corp.

Peter Lowy oversees Westfield Corp., one of the world's leading shopping center companies with iconic retail destinations in Los Angeles, London, New York, and San Francisco among its portfolio of 34 centers. Prior to joining Westfield in 1983, Lowy

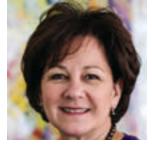


worked in investment banking in London and New York. Lowy serves as chairman of the Homeland Security Advisory Council for Los Angeles County. He also serves on Rand Corp.'s executive committee and board of trustees; the executive committee of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy; and the board of the Lowy Institute for International Policy. Prior to the establishment of Westfield Corp., Lowy was the joint managing director of Westfield Group from 1997.

#### **MONICA C. LOZANO**

Chairwoman US Hispanic Media Inc.

Monica Lozano is chairwoman of US Hispanic Media Inc., parent company of ImpreMedia, a leading Hispanic news and information company. For ImpreMedia, she served as chief executive for four years. Lozano was publisher of



La Opinión, a subsidiary of ImpreMedia and the leading Spanishlanguage daily newspaper in the country, from 2004 to 2010. She served as a member of President Barack Obama's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness from 2011 to 2012 and served on the president's Economic Recovery Advisory Board from 2009 to 2011. Lozano is a member of the UC Board of Regents.

#### **MEYER LUSKIN**

Chief Executive Scope Industries

Philanthropist and businessman Meyer Luskin is chief executive of Scope Industries, a sustainable business that recycles food waste products into animal feed. An alumnus of UCLA, he and his wife Renee, a fellow alumna, established the UCLA Luskin Center



for Innovation, which develops ongoing programs for improving urban life like smart water systems, electric vehicle plans, and solar power options. The couple donated \$100 million to the campus in 2011. Luskin has been in involved with numerous charities and foundations across the city, including the Board of Directors at Los Angeles Orthopaedic Hospital, for which he was chairman.

# **JOHN W. MACK**

Former President Los Angeles Urban League

Civil rights leader John W. Mack served as president of the Los Angeles Urban League from August 1969 until his retirement in 2005. He was appointed to the Board of Police Commissioners by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa in August 2005. Prior to



heading the league, he served on the its national staff for six months during the Whitney Young era in Washington, D.C. Mack was a leader in the 1960 student civil rights movement in Atlanta, and co-founder and vice chairman of the Committee on the Appeal for Human Rights.

#### JIM MCDONNELL

Sheriff

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Jim McDonnell became Los Angeles County's 32nd sheriff in 2014. The Boston native worked for 29 years at the Los Angeles Police Department, where he earned the department's highest honor for bravery, the Medal of Valor. He helped create



the blueprint for LAPD's community-based policing efforts that have become a model for law enforcement agencies throughout the nation. For five years, he was chief of the Long Beach Police Department. McDonnell has stressed the importance of treating all members of our community with respect, being transparent with and accountable to the individuals that the LASD serves, and creating a compassionate environment.

#### **BRUCE MEYER**

President Meyer Pacific

Bruce Meyer has served as the face of the Petersen Automotive Museum for much of its existence. The museum opened in 1994 with Meyer, who is known throughout automotive circles for having one of the most discriminating vehicle collections



anywhere, as its founding chairman. A Beverly Hills-based real estate investor and president of Meyer Pacific, he also serves on the board of the Nethercutt Collection, the Mullin Automotive Museum, and the LeMay Museum.

**ENJOY MOST** 

**BEST ADVICE** 

**FUN FACT** 

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

I'm driven by passion and love working with likeminded individuals with vision and energy.

Staying focused, as I'm easily distracted by new opportunities.

PROUDEST MOMENT Watching my children live their dreams -

proudly and honorably.

Don't let the immediate bottom line guide you.

Carefully select high quality projects and the

long-term return will be there.

**ALMA MATER** BS, University of California, Berkeley.

I set a land speed record on the Bonneville salt flats and joined the 200 Mile Per Hour Club.

**BUCKET LIST** To attend the Isle of Man TT motorcycle race.



#### **GARY K. MICHELSON**

Chairman Michelson Medical Research Foundation, Michelson Found Animals Foundation, Michelson 20mm Foundation

Dr. Gary Michelson is a distinguished board certified orthopedic spinal surgeon and a diplomat of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. Born and



raised in Philadelphia, he left home at 17 and put himself through college and medical school. Disappointed with low success rates and unreliability of the spinal surgical procedures at that time, he spent the next 20 years developing implants, surgical procedures and the instruments required to carry out those procedures, becoming the most prolific inventor in the history of medicine; he is sole named inventor of more than 950 patents issued worldwide. He actively serves on the boards of four charitable foundations, including his Michelson Medical Research Foundation, Michelson Twenty Million Minds Foundation, Michelson Found Animals Foundation, and the Intellectual Property Owners Education Foundation.

**ENJOY MOST** PROUDEST MOMENT Doing good in the world.

Being inducted into the National Inventors Hall

of Fame. **BEST ADVICE** 

Stick to your knitting.

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

To walk my youngest daughter down the aisle.

Snow skiing.

#### **LOWELL MILKEN**

Chairman, Heron International Chairman, Milken Family Foundation

Lowell Milken is a business leader and pioneering philanthropist in education reform. He is chairman of London-based Heron International, a leader in property development and investment. As chairman and co-founder of the Milken Family



Foundation, Milken's dedication to education reform has been informed by more than three decades of education research, policy, and practice as well as firsthand visits to thousands of classrooms. He created the Milken Educator Awards in 1985, and today it is the nation's most prominent teacher-recognition program. The Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy is housed at the UCLA School of Law, where Milken earned his law degree.

#### **CINDY MISCIKOWSKI**

Managing Partner Ring Group

Cindy Miscikowski has been involved in public service for more than 35 years in the city of Los Angeles. She served as a member of the Los Angeles City Council from 1997 to 2005, after having been chief of staff to Councilman Marvin Braude



for more than 20 years. She was appointed to the Board of Harbor Commissioners by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and elected president of the board in July 2009. Since late 2009, she has been managing partner of the Ring Group, a real estate holding and management

company. She lives in Brentwood in a house she shared with her husband, attorney and developer Douglas Ring, until his death in 2009.

#### **ILYANNE MORDEN KICHAVEN**

**Executive Director, Los Angeles** SAG-Aftra

Ilvanne Morden Kichaven serves as executive director of the SAG-Aftra Los Angles Local, representing more than 80,000 actors, broadcasters, dancers, singers, stunt persons, voiceover, and recording artists.



Morden Kichaven sits on the boards of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Los Angeles branch; Film LA; the Motion Picture Television Fund: and the Actors Fund Western Council.

#### **KERRY MORRISON**

**Executive Director** Hollywood Property Owners Alliance

Kerry Morrison is executive director of the nonprofit that manages the Hollywood Entertainment and Sunset & Vine business improvement districts. Morrison was appointed by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to serve on the Los Angeles Homeless



Services Authority in September 2011, and she served as chairwoman in 2014-15. She also serves on the Home for Good Business Task Force to End Homelessness and on the board at the Center in Hollywood, which serves Hollywood's homeless. She is a founder of Hollywood 4WRD, and served on the Hollywood Police Activities League board for more than 10 years.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working alongside people who believe in Hollywood to help this community flourish.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Seeing the increase in our homeless population despite years of working to build

coalitions and seek resources.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Receiving the Crystal Eagle from Coro Southern California last year was a thrilling

moment.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Listen attentively. Be grateful. Speak truth. Serve first. Plant seeds of change.

Silver Oak Cabernet.

**BEVERAGE ALMA MATERS** BUCKET LIST

BS, Santa Clara University; MPA, USC

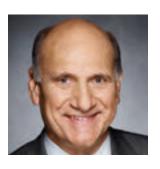
Take oboe lessons.

HOBBY/PASSION Calligraphy.

#### STEVE NISSEN

Senior Vice President Legal and Government Affairs **NBCUniversal** 

At NBCUniversal, Steve Nissen is responsible for developing and coordinating a comprehensive state and local government agenda, including anti-piracy, intellectual property protection, tax, digital, broadcast, film



production, land use, and government compliance. Nissen also serves as chairman of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, and as chairman of the Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute and Central City Association. Prior to joining NBCUniversal, Nissen was a partner at Manatt Phelps & Phillips from 2002 to 2008, representing a wide range of clients, from Fortune 500 companies to nonprofit entities. In early 1999, Nissen became a senior official in the administration of Gov. Gray Davis.

**ENJOY MOST** 

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

PROUDEST MOMENT

I am challenged every day by new and changing issues in an industry that is endlessly fascinating. Approval of NBCUniversal's 20-year master plan, a team effort that required gaining

support from local officials, neighborhood associations, labor, and environmental groups. I am proud of the fact that I am able to bring all my past professional activities to the table to help the company and help the community at

the same time.

MOST EXCITED Los Angeles has the potential to not only be

the entertainment capital of the world, but the idea and innovation capital of the world.

**BEST ADVICE** Be respectful of the people you work with and the people you work for. Keep your eyes and

your mind open to new, innovative ways to tackle ongoing challenges. And make integrity your guide star.

**BEVERAGE** Soy latte. **CAR YOU DRIVE** BMW 5 Series.

**ALMA MATERS** BA, Stanford University; JD, University of California, Berkeley School of Law

**FUN FACT** I speak Indonesian (poorly, but I can get by).

**BUCKET LIST** See the Aurora Borealis. HOBBY/PASSION Travel.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Southeast Asia.

**MICHAEL D. RICH** 

Chief Executive Rand Corp.

Michael D. Rich is president and chief executive of the Rand Corp., a nonpartisan research nonprofit that seeks to improve policy and decision-making through research and analysis. Rich began his career at Rand as a summer intern in 1975,



joining the organization full time the following year as a researcher focused on U.S. national security issues. He advises many policy and service organizations, including the Council for Aid to Education, the International Institute for Strategic Studies, the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, Wise & Healthy Aging, the Everychild Foundation, Santa Monica, UCLA Medical Center and Orthopaedic Hospital, and the UCLA Foundation.

**ENJOY MOST** 

**BUCKET LIST** 

I work with incredibly smart people who devote their lives to solving complicated policy problems.

PROUDEST MOMENT Watching our kids earn their degrees and begin their careers. Can't top that.

**BEST ADVICE** Hire great people when you find them instead of looking for them when you need them.

**FUN FACT** I'm a big reggae fan.

> The ultimate road trip: Visiting all 50 states with no itinerary or timetable.

HOBBY/PASSION I'm in the right job because public policy is

my passion.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

We see increased demand for our expertise and the growing number of philanthropists who want major societal problems - such as delivery of effective health care, improving educational outcomes, or managing

cyberthreats - solved on the basis of evidence,

rather than ideology.

MOST EXCITED Revitalized civic engagement across many

sectors of society.

ALMA MATERS BA, Berkeley; JD, UCLA. **BEVERAGE** Coffee, black, preferably espresso.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Yosemite National Park is where I go to relax,

recharge, and be inspired.

**SEBASTIAN** RIDLEY-THOMAS

> Assemblyman 54th District

The son of Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Sebastian Ridley Thomas was inspired to follow in his family's footsteps and work for change. He worked at the Children's Defense



Fund in Washington, D.C., before returning to Los Angeles to take part in the Senate Fellowship Program. He was elected to the state Assembly in December 2013 representing South Los Angeles, where he has focused on public education, health care, clean energy, consumer protection, promoting the inclusion of minority businesses in private- and public-sector contracting, and promoting professional development and achievement for women.

RICHARD RIORDAN

**Board Member** Riordan Foundation

A well-established and highly respected attorney, entrepreneur, and philanthropist before entering public service, Richard Riordan was elected mayor of Los Angeles in 1993 and re-elected by an overwhelming margin four years later, with more



than 60 percent of the voters supporting his efforts to improve public safety, create quality jobs, and reform L.A.'s public schools. Riordan created his charitable foundation with one goal: teaching children how to read and write. Through its signature Rx for Reading program, the foundation has distributed some 25,520 computers to 2,140 schools in 40 states and enabled the purchase of more than 172,000 books for elementary classroom libraries.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I enjoy helping others and sharing my

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

knowledge with the next generation of leaders. Helping the city of L.A. recover from the Northridge Earthquake.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Creating the Riordan Foundation and helping support great schools.

MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE** 

The next generation of Los Angeles leaders! Learn from everybody you meet, whether it is the president of the company or a janitor. Coffee or Diet Coke.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE** 

I prefer bikes.

BA, Princeton University; Law degree, University of Michigan Law School.

**FUN FACT** 

I am recently married – at 87 years old – to

Elizabeth Gregory.

**BUCKET LIST** 

To play classical piano.

#### **MIGUEL SANTANA**

Chief Executive Los Angeles County Fair Association

Miguel Santana is the president and chief executive of the Los Angeles County Fair Association, a role he took on in 2017. He previously had served as city administrative officer for the City of Los Angeles since 2009. His office had direct



oversight over the city's \$8.1 billion budget, labor negotiations, debt management, and major policy issues as directed by the mayor and/or council. Santana has more than 26 years of experience managing numerous fiscal, legislative, political, and community issues. He served as one of five deputy chief executives for Los Angeles County.

#### **BOB SCHOONOVER**

President Service Employees International Union Local 721

Bob Schoonover is president of SEIU Local 721, the largest public-sector union in Southern California. During his tenure, SEIU Local 721 has delivered strong contracts for over 90,000 members while solidifying



its reputation as a growing and formidable political force. Under Schoonover's leadership, SEIU Local 721 led the Fight for \$15, a movement that ultimately raised the wage floor in the City of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles, and the State of California. He also spearheaded the Fix L.A. campaign in the city, exposing how Wall Street banks gouged the city of hundreds of millions of dollars in excessive fees. He started as a heavy-duty equipment mechanic with the city in 1979 and became active with his union during a citywide strike in 1980. He recently was appointed vice president of the SEIU International Executive Board.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I enjoy proving the truth behind the SEIU

slogan: "Together, we win!"

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Protecting retirement security for our members in the City of Los Angeles when the recession

hit hard in 2008.

PROUDEST MOMENT

When we elected a progressive majority to the L.A. County Board of Supervisors.

BEST ADVICE

Compensate workers fairly and treat them fairly. Generally, you get out of it what you

put into it.

MOST EXCITED

The political landscape. Things are very challenging in Washington, D.C. – but with

**FUN FACT** 

challenge comes opportunity. I coached girls softball for years!

**BUCKET LIST** 

I'd like to go to Tahiti and write a book in,

well. Tahiti!

well, Ianiti! Macallan scotch.

BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE HOBBY/PASSION

I drive a 2005 Mercury Grand Marquis.

My passion is fighting for working people. My hobbies are watching USC Trojans football games and Dodgers baseball games.

#### **TERRY SEMEL**

Founder Windsor Media

Terry Semel, founder of Windsor Media, is the former chairman and chief executive of Yahoo and for 24 years was chairman co-chief executive of Warner Bros. He led the studio through major growth in the 1980s with films such as "Chariots of Fire."



"The Right Stuff;" "The Color Purple," and "Full Metal Jacket." During that time, Warner also launched some of its most popular TV programs, such as "Murphy Brown," "Life Goes On," and "Growing Pains." Windsor Media invests in digital media businesses. He was co-chairman of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and is now co-chairman emeritus.

#### **RENATA SIMRIL**

Chief Executive LA84 Foundation

Renata Simril is chief executive of the LA84 Foundation, a leader in support of youth sport programs and public education. She most recently served as senior vice president and chief of staff to the publisher of the Los Angeles Times, where she oversaw



staff operations and special projects. Her earlier career includes three seasons with the Los Angeles Dodgers as senior vice president of external affairs, and over a decade in real estate development with Jones Lang LaSalle Inc., Forest City Development, and LCOR Inc. She was deputy mayor for economic development and housing in the James Hahn administration. Simril began her career as a military police officer. She serves on the boards of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Greater Los Angeles, LA 2024 Olympic Bid Committee, Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment Commission, Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation, and Loyola Marymount University.

#### STEVE SOBOROFF

Principal Soboroff & Partners

Real estate developer Steve Soboroff serves as vice president and is a past president of the Los Angeles Police Commission. He is also past chairman and member of the board of the Weingart Foundation, chairman of the executive committee of



Friends of Expo Center, and chairman of the ParksSave campaign to preserve funding for Los Angeles parks. Soboroff is also chairman of the Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles at Loyola Marymount University, a member of the advisory board at the UCLA School of Public Affairs, a member of the board of councilors at the USC

School of Planning and Public Policy, and on the board of Macerich Co. He was vice chairman of the Los Angeles Dodgers, chief executive of Playa Vista, president of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Commission, president of the Los Angeles Harbor Commission, and senior adviser to Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan.

#### HILDA L. SOLIS Supervisor, First District Los Angeles County

Hilda L. Solis was sworn in as supervisor for the First District of Los Angeles County on Dec. 1, 2014. Prior to that, she served as U.S. secretary of labor and was the first Latina to serve in a presidential cabinet. Before that,



Solis represented the 32nd Congressional District in California, a position she held from 2001 to 2009. In Congress, Solis' priorities included expanding access to affordable health care, protecting the environment, and improving the lives of working families.

#### STEVE TISCH Partner **Escape Artists Productions**

In addition to serving on the LACMA board, Steve Tisch is chairman and executive vice president of the New York Giants. He is also a partner at Escape Artists Productions, an independently financed motion picture and TV

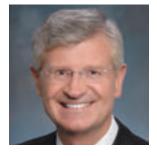


production company with a first-look, nonexclusive deal at Sony Pictures Entertainment. For more than three decades, Tisch has successfully produced compelling stories in film and TV, from the critically acclaimed television movie "The Burning Bed" to "Risky Business," a sleeper hit that helped launch Tom Cruise's career. He is the only person to have been awarded both a Super Bowl ring and an Academy Award.

#### **GARY TOEBBEN**

Chief Executive Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Gary Toebben has been president and chief executive of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce since 2006. The private-nonprofit organization was founded in 1888 and is the largest business organization in the Los Angeles



region. The Chamber's 1,650 members employ 650,000 people in L.A. County. He is past chairman of Mobility 21 and has served on blue-ribbon committees for Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the California Endowment, the Metropolitan Water District, and Los Angeles Unified School District. Toebben has been a chamber of commerce executive for 42 years in four states and served as chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives in 2003. He and his wife, Janice, have four children and eight grandchildren.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The opportunity to work with talented business leaders who are committed to the betterment

of the Los Angeles area.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** The housing crisis and developing a

community consensus to build more housing

for all income levels.

PROUDEST MOMENT The Chamber's leadership in passing Measure

M, Proposition HHH, Measure CC in 2016,

and Measure H in 2017.

**BEST ADVICE** Walk every morning; love and laugh every day. MOST EXCITED About the talented young professionals and

entrepreneurs who are selecting Los Angeles

as their place to live and work.

**FUN FACT** I have hiked to the top of 22 mountains that

are 14,000 feet or taller.

**ALMA MATER** BS, University of Nebraska. **BUCKET LIST** Hiking in the Patagonia region of Argentina.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE** Lexus RX350.

HOBBY/PASSION Hiking and numerous outdoor activities. TRAVEL DESTINATION Yosemite, Yellowstone, and Glacier national parks.

#### **JIHAD TURK**

President

Bayan Claremont Islamic Graduate School

For the past 15 years, Jihad Turk has dedicated himself to improving relations between the Muslim and Christian communities of Southern California. He is the founding president of the Bayan Claremont Islamic Graduate School. He served



for seven years as the imam and religious director at the Islamic Center of Southern California, the largest and oldest mosque in the L.A. area, before founding the nation's first accredited Islamic seminary, Bayan Claremont. Turk co-founded the Muslim-Christian Consultative Group and sits on the board of ReGeneration, a Muslim-Jewish peace organization.

#### **ROXANA TYNAN**

**Executive Director** Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy

Roxana Tynan started her career as an organizer for Unite-Here in Las Vegas and Los Angeles. She worked as a community organizer and then economic development deputy for Los Angeles Councilmember Jackie Goldberg from 1993 to 2001. During



that time, she worked in the Hollywood area of Council District 13, and was focused on many of the redevelopment projects in that neighborhood, including the Hollywood & Highland development. She has worked at the Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy since 2001, and has been executive director since 2012.

> **ENJOY MOST** Getting to work every day on the issues I care

most about is a privilege!

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE Learning to be a good mom (though I haven't

"overcome" that challenge yet).

PROUDEST MOMENT Bringing my daughter up on stage with me at the Women's March earlier this year.

**BEST ADVICE** It's trite but true: The people you work with are your company's most valuable resource.

MOST EXCITED The explosion of new activism and civic engagement since the election.

**BEVERAGE** 

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Used Toyota Rav4. **ALMA MATER** Bachelor's, Yale.

**FUN FACT** I really wanted to be a ballerina. It just didn't

work out.

**BUCKET LIST** Learning outdoors survival skills. HOBBY/PASSION? Road trips to national parks.

#### **ANTONIO** VILLARAIGOSA

Former Mayor City of Los Angeles

Antonio Villaraigosa, the 41st mayor of Los Angeles, is currently a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of California. Throughout his tenure as mayor, Villaraigosa made



significant progress in key policy areas, including: transportation and infrastructure development, public safety, port security, and the environment. He has also served as a professor of the practice of policy at the USC Price School of Public Policy, a title reserved for faculty appointments of individuals who have made significant contributions in the public practice of their field of expertise. Through this faculty appointment at the Price School, Villaraigosa will help to identify innovative, large-scale approaches to significant policy issues facing California.

#### STUART WALDMAN

President Valley Industry and Commerce Association

Stuart Waldman is president of VICA, the largest and most effective business advocacy organization in Southern California. Prior to joining VICA, Stuart spent 11 years working for the state Assembly representing



the San Fernando Valley. Seven of those years were spent as a chief of staff to two Assembly members, including the Speaker. From 2001 to 2008, Stuart was an appointed member on the California Board of Accountancy, the body that governs California's 68,000 CPAs. Stuart served in the United States Army from 1987 to 1989 as a cavalry scout with the 1st Infantry Division. He sits on the boards of the LA 2024 Olympic Bid Committee, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, and the Los Angeles County Business Federation.

> **ENJOY MOST** The opportunity to effect change. My

> > members create jobs and most of them need someone to work for them on their issues in

this city and state.

PROUDEST MOMENT Personally, watching my kids grow up.

> Professionally, last year's passage of Measure M. **BEST ADVICE** Treat everyone with respect. Always ask questions. Be genuinely interested in people.

I was lead singer of a glam rock band that

played in L.A. in the 1980s. **ALMA MATERS** 

Associate's, L.A. Valley College; Bachelor's, California State University, Northridge; JD,

Loyola Law School.

**BUCKET LIST** 

To walk from my house to the Sepulveda Basin

to watch canoe slalom, shooting, and equestrian events in the Summer Olympics in 2024.

HOBBY/PASSION

Traveling and spending time on new

adventures with my family.

#### **PETE WILSON**

Principal **Bingham Consulting Group** 

Pete Wilson served as California governor from 1991 to 1999. In this role, he focused on reforms in the areas of health coverage for employees of small businesses, workers' compensation, and education. In addition, he signed



into law two major pieces of crime-related legislation - the Three Strikes law (25 years to life for repeat felons) and the One Strike law (25 years to life upon the first conviction of aggravated rape or child molestation). Wilson previously served eight years as a United States Senator, and 11 years as mayor of San Diego. After leaving office, he spent two years as a managing director of Pacific Capital Group, a merchant bank based in Los Angeles.

#### DAVID WOLPE

Rabbi Sinai Temple

Named the most influential rabbi in America by Newsweek and one of the 50 most influential Jews in the world by the Jerusalem Post, David Wolpe is the rabbi of Sinai Temple in Westwood. He previously taught at the Jewish Theological



Seminary of America in New York, the American Jewish University in Los Angeles, Hunter College, and UCLA. Wolpe is author of eight books, including national best-seller "Making Loss Matter: Creating Meaning in Difficult Times." Wolpe's latest book, "David, the Divided Heart," was a National Jewish Book Awards finalist and has been optioned for a movie by Warner Bros.

#### ERNEST WOODEN JR.

Chief Executive Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board

Ernest "Ernie" Wooden Jr. has spent his entire career in the hospitality industry, including more than a decade in senior leadership positions in both global brand management and operations with Hilton Hotels Corp. An L.A.-area resident



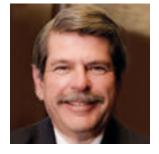
since 1999, he is president and chief executive of the Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board. The board was created in 1977 as a private nonprofit business association. It is recognized as the official branding, sales, and marketing organization for Los Angeles.

**FUN FACT** 

#### **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY**

Director Los Angeles Initiative

During a career in public life spanning nearly four decades, Zev Yaroslavsky has been at the forefront of Los Angeles County's biggest issues. He was elected to Los Angeles City Council in 1975; then in 1994, he was elected to the Los Angeles



County Board of Supervisors. Yaroslavsky is now director of the Los Angeles Initiative at the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs and the Department of History.

#### RICHARD ZIMAN

Chairman Rexford Industrial

Richard Ziman's industrial real estate career includes more than 40 years of industrial real estate investment experience overseeing his personal, family, and foundation-related



investments in Southern California. His overall commercial real estate experience also includes his role as founding chairman and chief executive of Arden Realty Inc., a real estate investment firm focused on commercial office markets. Ziman served as Arden's chairman and chief executive from its inception in 1990 until its sale in mid-2006 to General Electric Co. in a \$4.8 billion deal. In 2006, Ziman also co-founded AVP Advisors and AVP Capital, the exclusive adviser to American Value Partners.

**ENJOY MOST** 

All of the aspects of commercial real estate, acquisitions, management, leasing and financing.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Not taking on too much. PROUDEST MOMENT

My family, my three honorary doctorates, and receiving the UCLA Gold Medal, UCLA's

highest award.

MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE**  My ability to make a difference.

Be honest, and preserve your reputation as

impeccable.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS** 

**FUN FACT** 

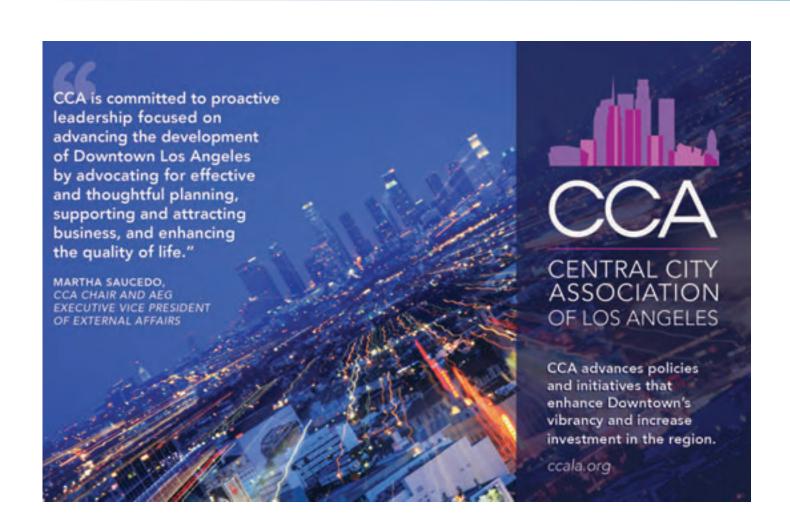
Sparkling water.

Mercedes S550 Cabriolet AMG Convertible. BA, USC; JD, USC

I attended USC dental school at age 19 and

quit the second day.

**BUCKET LIST** Bhutan.







#### **ANDREW BENTON**

President Pepperdine University

Andrew K. Benton has served in higher education for more than 40 years. Although he planned a career in law or the judiciary, the course of his life turned toward young people and their hopes and dreams, arriving in California in 1984. He



became president of Pepperdine in 2000 and has filled a number of leadership position in American higher education, including chairman of the American Council on Education, the largest convening highereducation organization in the United States. He now serves as chairman of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The creative learning environment in which talented scholars and willing students collide is

nothing short of amazing.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Realizing that I have found a profession where my wife, Debby, can be my full partner in all I do. Walking the tightrope of a faith-based

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

university in a complex and competitive world. Make yourself invaluable in the workplace and inspire the confidence of others.

**FUN FACT** 

**BEST ADVICE** 

I play rock and roll music without apology and with great enthusiasm. While I am not good, I

am loud.

**MOST EXCITED** 

This answer surprises me: I no longer fear the future, and I am ready to face it head on. Bachelor's, Oklahoma Christian University; JD,

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Oklahoma City University.

#### **GENE D. BLOCK** Chancellor

University of California, Los Angeles

As UCLA's chancellor, Gene Block oversees all aspects of the campus' three-part mission of education, research, and service. A champion of public universities, Block serves on several leading national associations and advisory boards,



including chairman of the council of presidents of the Universities Research Association, an international consortium of 89 leading research universities. Block holds UCLA faculty appointments in psychiatry and bio-behavioral sciences in the David Geffen School of Medicine and in physiological science in the College of Letters and Science. A fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, he became chancellor in 2007. Previously, he served as vice president and provost of the University of Virginia. He also headed a National Institutes of Health graduate training program. A native of Monticello, N.Y., Block is the inventor of a number of devices, holding a patent for a noncontact respiratory monitor for the prevention of sudden infant death syndrome. Block and his wife, Carol, have two children.

**ENJOY MOST** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** 

Interacting with our students and alumni. I am continuously inspired by their achievements. When I see students overcome extraordinary challenges graduate from UCLA. Integrity in business dealings should be the first principle.

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION I have rebuilt a number of classic sports cars. A trip to the Galapagos Islands. Tinkering with old tube radios.

#### **JAMES ELLIS**

**USC Marshall School of Business** 

James Ellis was appointed dean of the Marshall School of Business in 2007. Previously, he served as the university's vice provost for globalization, vice dean for external relations, and associate dean for the undergraduate program. As



an instructor, he has been named professor of the year by many organizations, and in 2003 received Marshall's Golden Apple Award and Teaching Has No Boundaries Award. Ellis continues to teach Marshall's invitation-only Freshman Leadership Colloquium each fall. He serves on the boards of the Capital Group and Quiksilver as well as a number of nonprofit boards.

#### FERNANDO J. GUERRA

Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Lovola Marymount University

Fernando J. Guerra has been on the faculty at Loyola Marymount since 1984. He is a professor of political science and Chicana/o studies and director of the university's Thomas



and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles. Guerra earned his Ph.D. and master's in political science from the University of Michigan. He earned his bachelor's in international relations, with a university certificate in Latin American studies, from USC in 1980. Guerra was born and raised in the northeast section of Los Angeles, where he attended Franklin High School.

#### STEVEN D. LAVINE Former President

California Institute of the Arts

Steven D. Lavine served as president of CalArts from 1988 until his retirement after the graduation of the Class of 2017. Before coming to the institution, he served as associate director for arts and humanities at the Rockefeller Foundation and as an



assistant professor of English and American literature at the University of Michigan. He has served on the boards of the American Council for Education, Americans for the Arts, National Public Radio's Working Group on the Future, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Cotsen Family Foundation, KCRW, KCET, Idyllwild Arts, and Villa Aurora, and on the visiting committee of the J. Paul Getty Museum.

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#### **TIMOTHY LAW SNYDER**

President Loyola Marymount University

Timothy Law Snyder became the 16th president of Loyola Marymount University in June 2015. He has been a professor and administrator for more than 20 years at Jesuit institutions, most recently as vice president for academic



affairs at Loyola University Maryland from 2007 to 2014. He was also dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Fairfield University from 2001 to 2007, and dean of science at Georgetown University from 1995 to 1999. He created LCAST, a series of podcasts aimed at helping students.

# THOMAS SAYLES

Senior Vice President, University Relations University of Southern California

Thomas Sayles has been vice president for USC's university relations since July 2011. Previously, he practiced law in the private and public sectors. He left law to serve as California's commissioner of corporations and later as secretary



of business, transportation, and housing. He returned to the private sector to work for Sempra Energy as vice president of government and community affairs, and as senior vice president of consumer marketing. He served on the governing board of the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power and on the Los Angeles 2020 Commission. Sayles has served the UC Board of Regents and the California Community Colleges Board of Trustees. He is immediate past chairman of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce.

JUDY D. OLIAN Chairwoman **UCLA Anderson School of Management** 

Judy D. Olian leads a school that annually provides management education to almost 2,000 students in MBA, master's, and doctoral programs, and to more than 2,000 professionals through executive education programs. The school has



several widely recognized research centers and a global alumni network of more than 35,000 graduates. Under her leadership, which began in 2006, Anderson has raised almost \$325 million to support innovative programming and management thought leadership, and to advance itself as one of the leading schools of management in the world.

#### **ERNEST J. WILSON III**

Outgoing Dean, Walter Annenberg Chair in Communication

Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism at USC

Ernest J. Wilson III's experience at

the intersection of communication

and public policy spans the private

and public sectors. He has served as



a consultant to international agencies such as the World Bank and United Nations, worked in government for the White House National Security Council and Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and led research centers and academic departments at institutions of higher education. In addition to being dean of Annenberg, he is a professor of political science at USC and a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

#### THOMAS F. ROSENBAUM

President California Institute of Technology

Thomas F. Rosenbaum is the ninth president of the California Institute of Technology and a professor of physics. He is an expert on the quantum mechanical nature of materials, conducting research at



Bell Laboratories, IBM Watson Research Center, and the University of Chicago, where he served as vice president for research and for Argonne National Laboratory and then provost, before moving to Caltech in 2014. He received his bachelor's in physics with honors from Harvard University and a Ph.D. in physics from Princeton University. Rosenbaum is an elected fellow of the American Physical Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is a member of the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy & Jobs, Los Angeles World Affairs Council, and LA2024 Exploratory Committee.

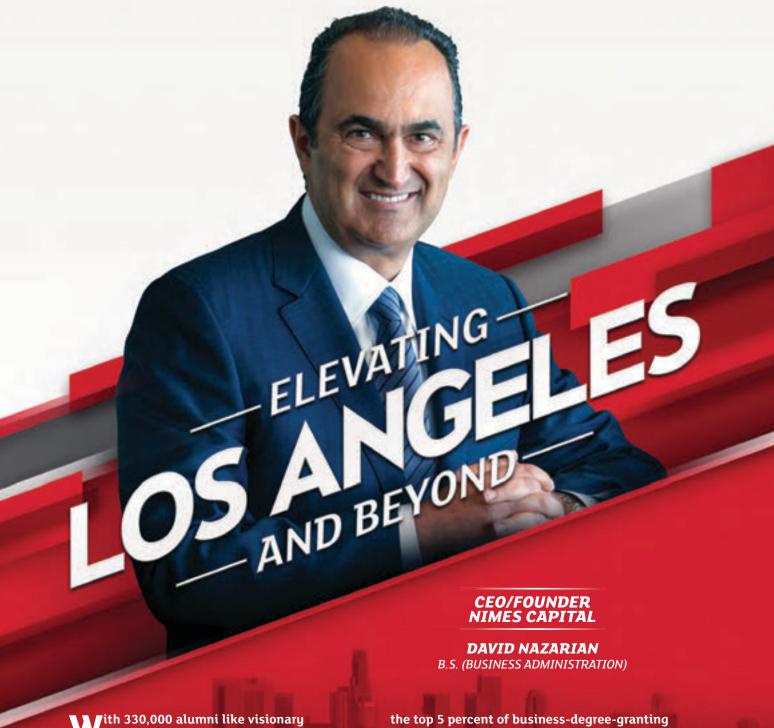
#### YANNIS C. YORTSOS

USC Viterbi School of Engineering

Yannis C. Yortsos is dean of the Viterbi School of Engineering at USC, the Chester F. Dolley Professor of chemical and petroleum engineering, and holder of the Zohrab A. Kaprielian Dean's Chair in engineering. He was appointed



dean in 2005, having previously served as associate dean for academic affairs and chairman of the department of chemical engineering. Yortsos was elected to the U.S. National Academy of Engineering in 2008 and named an associate member of the Academy of Athens in 2013. He received the Ellis Medal of Honor in 2014. Yortsos coined the term Engineering+, a concept promoting interdisciplinary research, programs, and faculty appointments that enable engineering's powerful role for innovation in the sciences and the professions.



with 330,000 alumni like visionary entrepreneur David Nazarian, the LAEDC recognized CSUN as the 2015 Eddy Award winner for its positive economic impact. David has spent his career discovering and investing in winners, but he achieved his highest ROI by investing in his alma mater. CSUN's David Nazarian College of Business and Economics is one of the 10 largest accredited business schools in the nation, helping the business community connect with the wealth of talent found in our region's diversity. The college's accreditation places CSUN among

the top 5 percent of business-degree-granting institutions in the world, and the bachelor's program in accounting and informational systems is ranked the third best in the nation by College Choice. The Nazarian College's part-time MBA is ranked as one of the nation's best by U.S. News & World Report, and the College consistently ranks among Princeton Review's Best Business Schools and Financial Planning magazine's Best Schools for Financial Planners. The Nazarian College helps students reach their greatest potential and impact. They rise higher — and when they rise — we all do.

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#### **BILL ALLEN Chief Executive** Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp.

Bill Allen leads the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp. and its subsidiary, the World Trade Center Association Los Angeles. Allen was previously a television network and studio



executive with nearly 20 years' experience in entertainment production and management. He is the 2012 board chairman of Film L.A., a vice chairman of the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley, and board secretary for Valley Presbyterian Hospital. He is also on the boards of the Weingart Foundation, International Economic Development Council, California Stewardship Network, Regional Economic Association Leaders of California Coalition, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy and Jobs, Unite L.A., and the Rossier School of Education at USC.

#### **GLORIA ALLRED**

Allred Maroko & Goldberg

Gloria Allred is a founding partner of Allred Maroko & Goldberg. Her firm handles more women's rights cases than any other private firm in the nation and has won hundreds of millions of dollars for victims. Her high-profile legal battles have led to



many landmark, precedent-setting court decisions and hundreds of millions of dollars for her clients. With the other attorneys of her firm, Gloria has been involved in some of the most defining cases of our day, including O.J. Simpson, Michael Jackson, Scott Peterson, and Robert Blake.

#### **JOHN BARRETT**

Aon Corp. Chairman and Executive Vice President Aon Southern California

John Barrett is resident managing director overseeing the L.A., Irvine, and San Diego offices of Aon Corp. Los Angeles is Aon's third-largest office, employs more than 300 people, and is the hub for Western



region activities. Prior to joining Aon in 2006, Barrett spent five years at Johnson & Higgins and 16 years with Marsh Inc. He has held positions on numerous boards and is president of the California Club and president of the Advisory Board for the USC Risk Management Program, and is on the executive committee for the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Amazing clients; learning about new industries and the challenges they face every day; having a positive impact in the career development of my colleagues.

PROUDEST MOMENT **BEST ADVICE**  The day I got married.

"First seek to understand then to be understood." - Stephen Covey

**FUN FACT** 

I've been on the "Family Feud" with Richard

Dawson as well as on Johnny Carson's "The Tonight Show."

Bachelor's, Santa Clara University; MBA,

Pepperdine University.

**BUCKET LIST** Attend the Masters Golf Tournament. HOBBY/PASSION Family, travel, and the Green Bay Packers.

#### JIM BEAUBIEN

Partner Latham & Watkins

Jim Beaubien is a partner in the Century City office of Latham & Watkins, the firm at which he has practiced since 1991. Beaubien formerly served as office managing partner, as well as chairman of the corporate department. His practice

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focuses on mergers and acquisitions, private equity, and public companies. His clients include Live Nation, Mattel, Cerner Corp., Crown Resorts, Health Net, Leonard Green & Partners, Saban Capital, Moelis & Co., and Shamrock Holdings.

#### JOHN BENDHEIM

President Bendheim Enterprises Inc.

Bendheim Enterprises Inc. is a real estate investment holding company with operations in California and Nevada. John Bendheim, who also founded Inland Homes in 1994, has specialized in providing equity funding for real estate transactions.



Previously, he was president of Benditel Inc., an apparel manufacturer based in Los Angeles. He has invested in real estate since 1976 and has owned apartments, surgery centers, office buildings, condominiums, model homes, industrial buildings, recreational vehicle parks, and convenience centers. He sits on the boards of the USC Sports Business Institute, Liquipel, California Republic Bank, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, American Fidelity Corp., Lowenstein Foundation, Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce, Beverly Hills Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment Commission, and Evergreen Community School.

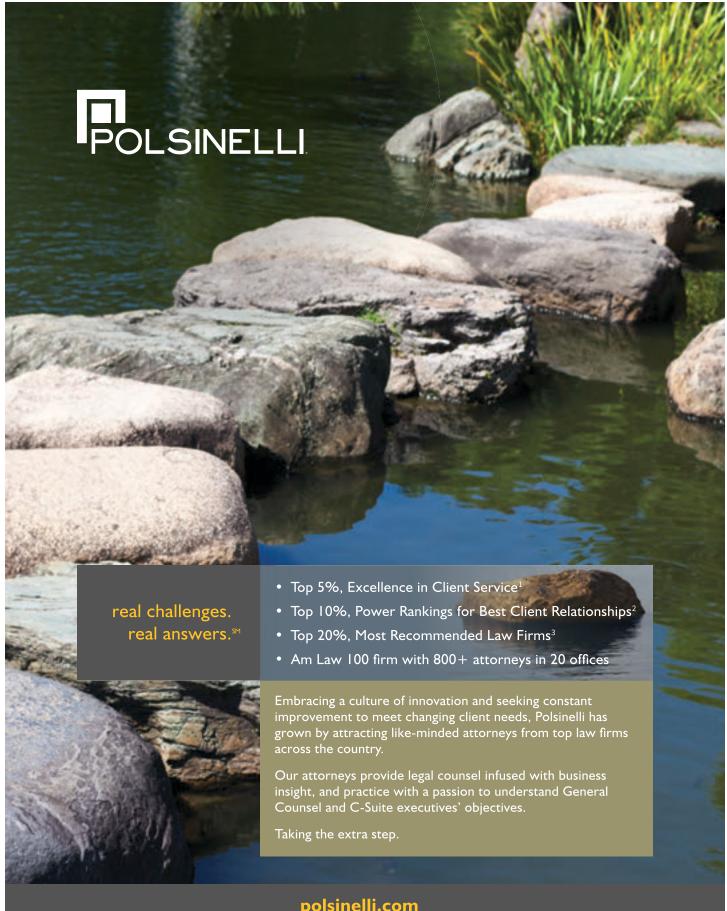
#### THEODORE J. **BOUTROUS JR.**

Partner Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

Theodore J. Boutrous Jr., a partner in the L.A. office of Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, is global co-chairman of the firm's litigation group. He is also a member of the firm's



executive and management committees. Boutrous has represented clients in the federal and state appellate courts throughout the nation in a wide spectrum of cases. He has argued more than 80 appeals, including before the U.S. Supreme Court. In 2011, he successfully represented Wal-Mart Stores Inc. before the U.S. Supreme Court in an appeal that reversed what had been the largest employment class



action in history and established important standards governing class actions. In 2013, he helped obtain a unanimous Supreme Court decision enforcing the Class Action Fairness Act. Also that year, Boutrous successfully represented plaintiffs at trial and on appeal in a case invalidating California's prohibition on same-sex marriage, Proposition 8. Boutrous also won a trial victory on behalf of California schoolchildren asserting a state constitutional challenge to laws pertaining to the hiring of teachers.

#### **JOHN BRANCA** Partner

Ziffren Brittenham

As one of the preeminent entertainment and corporate lawyers in the United States, John Branca is a partner in the largest entertainment law firm in the world and head of its Music Department. He has represented an unprecedented 30



members of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, including Aerosmith, the Beach Boys, the Doors, Fleetwood Mac, Berry Gordy, Michael Jackson, the Rolling Stones, and Carlos Santana, among others. Billboard Magazine named him Attorney of the Year in 2016. He has also served as co-executor of Jackson's estate, along with John McClain, since 2009. He is honorary chairman of MusiCares.

**ENJOY MOST** PROUDEST MOMENT **BEST ADVICE FUN FACT** BUCKET LIST HOBBY/PASSION

Getting things done.

Both buying and then selling the Beatles catalog. Stay flexible.

I'm not that intimidating.

Happiness.

Collecting Italian antiques, vintage baseball

cards, and Ferraris.

#### LAWRENCE BRAUN

Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton

Lawrence "Larry" Braun is the former co-leader of Sheppard Mullin's corporate practice group. Braun was previously a managing director of the largest private investment banking firm on the West Coast. He is an adviser to clients ranging



from family-owned businesses to multinational corporations in many diverse industries. Principal areas of practice are general corporate law, corporate finance, securities law, mergers and acquisition transactions, contractual matters (including licensing and distribution arrangements), health care transactions, and general business counseling.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE**  I get to help people many, many times a day. When there is fighting among family members; they get focused on their pain and lose sight of the big picture.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The birth of each of my children; seeing some of the people I mentored become leaders in the firm and the legal community.

BEST ADVICE

Find great partners and create a team; take reasonable risks and find a mentor to help you

make decisions.

MOST EXCITED

Younger people with the passion and commitment to make the world better.

**FUN FACT ALMA MATER**  I have a black belt in karate.

Bachelor's, Rutgers College; JD and MBA,

Northwestern University.

**BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE** HOBBY/PASSION A motorcycle ride across the Southwestern U.S.

Ketel One.

Street bike riding and helping people (whether one-on-one or through charities).

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

#### BRAD D. BRIAN

Co-Managing Partner Munger, Tolles & Olson

Brad Brian is a national trial lawyer and co-managing partner of Munger Tolles & Olson. A complex civil and criminal litigator, Brian is a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers. He



served as law clerk to Judge John J. Gibbons of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and was an assistant U.S. attorney in Los Angeles. He has served as president of the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, chairman of the Rand Institute for Civil Justice, chairman of the American Bar Association Section of Litigation, and as vice chairman of the Joffrey Ballet. He serves on the boards of the UC Berkeley Foundation, Cal Baseball Foundation, and Cable One.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I take great pride in figuring out the best

resolution, whether in a courtroom or through

a successful negotiation.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The births of my two daughters; securing an acquittal for Tom Spiegel, chairman of Columbia Savings & Loan Association.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Build a brand of quality and trust, and do everything you possibly can do to preserve

that brand.

**FUN FACT** 

I am a former Division I college athlete, but I enjoy ballet and modern dance just as much

as I like baseball and football.

**BUCKET LIST** 

To attend all four tennis Grand Slam events.

#### **MORGAN CHU** Partner

Irell & Manella

Morgan Chu is a partner of Irell & Manella. He was co-managing partner of the firm for two terms from 1997 to 2003 and has been a member of its executive committee since 1985. He also serves as chairman of the litigation group. After law school.



Chu clerked for Charles M. Merrill of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He joined Irell & Manella as an associate in 1977, becoming a partner in 1982. He was lead trial counsel in some of the world's largest – and in some cases precedent-setting – verdicts, judgments, and settlements.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I learn from the brightest, most creative people

on the planet.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Seeing our young lawyers perform admirably

in the crucible of a trial.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Be yourself.

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to have made more progress in the quality of life than at any other time in the history of human kind.

**FUN FACT** 

**ALMA MATERS** 

I got a zero on a true/false final examination in high school after answering every question. BA, University of California, Los Angeles; MA, UCLA; Ph.D., UCLA; MSL, Yale University; JD, Harvard Law School.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Recent travels include North Korea and Myanmar. Maui is fun, too.

#### **NOEL COHEN**

Managing Partner Polsinelli

Noel Cohen is managing partner of the L.A. office of national law firm Polsinelli. His litigation practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, class-action defense, and employment litigation. Clients include individuals and companies of



all sizes and ranges of industries, including nonprofits, entertainment, food and beverage, apparel, financial services, and technology. He has significant experience litigating complex actions involving breach of contract and fiduciary duties, partnership disputes, false advertising, intellectual property, and other general business contract and tort claims; and defending class actions with legal issues involving consumer-protection statutes.

#### RICK COLE City Manager City of Santa Monica

Rick Cole has 30 years of experience in public policy and administration. As Santa Monica's city manager, he is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the city, including implementation of City Council ordinances and policies, oversight of



all departments, and a budget of \$564 million. Previously, he served as deputy mayor for budget and innovation for the city of Los Angeles, where he was responsible for a budget of \$8.6 billion and oversaw five city departments with more than 3,000 staff members. He also supervised L.A.'s chief sustainability, technology, and data officers. For 15 years, Cole was city manager of two Southern California cities, Ventura and Azusa. Cole served 12 years on the Pasadena City Council.

#### **BRIAN CULLINAN**

Chairman, U.S. Board of Partners; Managing Partner PricewaterhouseCoopers

Brian Cullinan serves as PwC's U.S. board chairman and is a member of PwC's global board. In addition to his board roles, Cullinan is managing partner of PwC's practice throughout Southern California. Previously, he



served as U.S. leader for the entertainment, media, and communication assurance practice, as well as PwC's West Region assurance leader.

# **JEFF DAILEY**

**Chief Executive** Farmers Group Inc.

Jeff Dailey's career in the insurance industry spans more than three decades; he started as a claims adjuster and swiftly moved up the ranks. He was named president of Bristol West in 2004 and was instrumental in taking that company



public with its listing on the New York Stock Exchange and the sale of \$345 million of common stock. Dailey was named Bristol West's chief executive in 2006. He joined Farmers in 2007 and was promoted to his current role of chief executive in 2012. Dailey has a bachelor's in economics from the University of Wisconsin at Madison and an MBA from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

#### CARL DICKERSON

Chairman Dickerson Insurance Services

Carl Dickerson is the chairman and founder of Dickerson Insurance Services, which he started in 1965. He was a teacher and educator for four years at UC San Francisco and West Philadelphia High School. He



is an advisory board member for Acorns Micro-Investing App.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I am able to meet and work with new and interesting people all the time.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Recognizing the importance of having a good balance between my personal and business life. My marriage, my two daughters, and starting

PROUDEST MOMENT

my own insurance company.

**BEST ADVICE** 

No management without measurement; read a good business book at least once a month;

Match the right people with the right task;

MOST EXCITED

honesty and integrity in all things. How intellect, with the help of technology, can

make a small business equally competitive

with much larger firms.

**FUN FACT** 

I have shaken hands with three U.S. presidents and two foreign heads of state.

**ALMA MATER BUCKET LIST**  Bachelor's, Lincoln University.

Visiting the Nubian Meroë Pyramids in Sudan. Arnold Palmer.

BEVERAGE HOBBY/PASSION

History, boxing, Town Hall Los Angeles,

and creative writing.

#### **HARVEY ENGLANDER**

Englander Knabe & Allen

Harvey Englander is founding partner of Englander Knabe & Allen, the largest public affairs and lobbying firm in Southern California. Englander's expertise includes creating and running political campaigns, developing public



affairs campaigns, and creating crisis communications programs for companies and nonprofit organizations nationwide. He formed his

first company, Englander Group, in December 1980. After a series of mergers and acquisitions, he subsequently sold his company in 1999 to one of the nation's top 15 public relations firms. Englander is on the board of the American Diabetes Association Los Angeles Chapter and serves on the board of the West Coast Sports Medicine Foundation.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The challenge of successfully developing and implementing strategies that solve our

client's issues.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Losing my father when I was 11 and my sister and brother when they were both 50.

MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE**  The possibility of Trump resigning. You will learn more from your failures than you

will from your successes. Coffee and Diet Coke.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS** 

Aston Martin DB9 and Tesla 90D. AA, Los Angeles City College; BA, UCLA. Playing Augusta National Golf Club.

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Golf. Paris.

DAVID RAYMOND GARCIA

Managing Partner, Century City Office Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton

David Garcia is a litigator with a broad background in complex civil litigation for major U.S. companies, including extensive class-action and multidistrict litigation experience. He focuses primarily on antitrust



litigation and counseling. His antitrust litigation experience includes price-fixing cartel defense and patent-related monopolization claims. He counsels extensively on joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions, and competitor collaborations in health care for a broad range of hospitals and doctor groups throughout the United States, including divestiture negotiations with the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice.

**ENJOY MOST** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

Working with colleagues to solve challenging client problems creatively and efficiently. I clerked for the Hon. Constance Baker Motley, the first black woman on the federal bench.

and on the last day of my clerkship she told

**BUCKET LIST** 

me that I had done a great job. To hit on a stadium court where a Grand Slam is played.

# TOM GIRARDI

Partner Girardi Keese

With nearly 50 years of experience representing victims, Thomas V. Girardi has obtained numerous multi-million dollar verdicts and settlements, handling claims involving wrongful death, commercial litigation, products



liability, bad faith insurance, and toxic torts. One of his many notable settlements includes \$4.85 billion with pharmaceutical giant Merck for personal injuries to consumers of the drug Vioxx. In 2003, he received the most prestigious honor of being inducted into the Trial Lawyer Hall of Fame by the California State Bar. Girardi is on the board of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, an invitationonly worldwide organization, limited to 500 trial lawyers. He was the first trial lawyer to be appointed to the California Judicial Council, the policymaking body of the state courts.

# PATRICIA L. GLASER

Partner and Chairwoman. Litigation Department Glaser Weil Fink Howard Avchen & Shapiro

Patricia Glaser is head of Glaser Weil's litigation department. She also provides general legal counsel to publicly and privately held companies across a range of



industries, including intellectual property, real estate, entertainment, banking, and securities. She serves on the boards of the Los Angeles Music Center Theatre Group and the Geffen Theater. Glaser is a member of the Advancement Project Leadership Council. Her interest in the arts extends to producing plays and other theatrical pieces. After law school, she clerked for David W. Williams, U.S. District Court judge for the Central District of California.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Trying cases. I want the ball during the last 60 seconds of the game. I also enjoy solving a

client's problem before litigation. I am reasonably superstitious.

**FUN FACT BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE** 

Depends on what time of day.

Tesla.

**ALMA MATERS** Bachelor's, American University; law degree,

Rutgers University. HOBBY/PASSION Legitimate theater.

**JEFF GREENBERG** Managing Partner, Los Angeles Latham & Watkins

Jeff Greenberg is a former member of Latham & Watkins' executive committee and was formerly vice chairman of the U.S. Finance Department. Greenberg represents financial institutions and private equity sponsors, as well as public and



private companies, in connection with all phases of the development and financing of power, oil refinery, ethanol, petrochemicals, fertilizer, telecommunications, and other infrastructure projects.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I love getting the deal, and then I love closing

the deal.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Learning how to manage multiple large deals

at the same time.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Listen to the client and make sure you are doing what they want, not what you want. MOST EXCITED I am not sure how I am going to fit into the

new world that is coming, but wow is it going

to be different.

**FUN FACT** I love music festivals. Next stop is Lollapalooza

in Chicago this August.

ALMA MATERS BA. USC: JD. Northwestern University School

of Law.

BUCKET LIST Snorkeling in the Great Barrier Reef.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Porsche Cayenne GTS.

HOBBY/PASSION Golf (too bad I don't get to play enough!).

# MARSHALL GROSSMAN

Senior Partner Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe

Marshall Grossman has extensive top-level experience in high-stakes litigation, particularly in media and entertainment disputes, counting a number of household names among his roster of clients. Nationally recognized as a leading trial lawyer,



Grossman has prosecuted and defended major commercial litigation for media and entertainment. For more than a decade, he has served as a commissioner and chair of the California Commission on Judicial Performance.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

A successful outcome for my clients Breaking the membership barriers of Los Angeles private clubs. Success of my mentees. The next presidential election.

MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE** ALMA MATER **FUN FACT** 

Play to your own strengths, not those of others. LLB. USC Law School.

I ran Northern California and then New York state for the home sales of Colliers Encyclopedia summers and a year off from

law school.

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  More family time.

My family and my profession.

Morocco.

### SACHI A. HAMAI **Chief Executive** Los Angeles County

Sachi A. Hamai is the Los Angeles County chief executive, a role she assumed in 2015. She is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the nation's largest municipal government, including oversight of the county's \$30 billion



budget. Before her selection, Hamai served 10 months as interim chief executive. She was the executive officer for the county Board of Supervisors from April 2006 to December 2014. Hamai was recruited to join the county Auditor-Controller Department as an accountantauditor after graduating from college in 1988.

# MARK HUTCHINS

Office Managing Partner

Mark Hutchins is a member of KPMG's internal audit, risk, and compliance services practice. He is the L.A. office managing partner and serves on the firm's board with



more than 34 years of experience providing risk management and advisory services. He was the national lead partner for enterprise risk management services for the banking and finance practice and led Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 efforts for major companies. He is the chairman of the United Way of Greater Los Angeles and director and audit committee chair for the Library Foundation, and he sits on the board of the California Chamber of Commerce.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Helping our professionals grow, and fostering a culture of collaboration, inclusion, and diversity.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Be flexible with your career and opportunities that present themselves.

ALMA MATER HOBBY/PASSION Bachelor's, University College of Cardiff, Wales. I enjoy vacationing with my family and

playing golf.

# STEPHEN J. KAUFMAN

Principal Kaufman Legal Group

A recognized authority in the field of campaign finance and election law, Stephen J. Kaufman founded the Kaufman Legal Group in 1996. A leading political law firm with offices in Los Angeles and Sacramento, the firm represents



elected officials, candidates, PACs, labor unions, corporations, nonprofits, ballot measure campaigns, political parties, major donors, lobbying firms, and government agencies on a wide variety of campaign finance, election, and governmental ethics matters. Kaufman is an expert on voting systems and election procedures. He was a recount attorney for the Gore-Lieberman campaign in Florida after the 2000 presidential election.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working with elected officials and civic leaders

to improve our community and make a

difference in people's lives.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

The balancing act of running a successful law firm and being a good husband and father.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Personally, the birth of my daughter Professionally, I'm really proud of the work we did to help achieve an increase in the

minimum wage.

MOST EXCITED

Seeing young people engage in the political process in a way that we haven't

seen for decades.

**BEST ADVICE BEVERAGE** 

Trust your instincts, and don't set any limits on yourself.

Moose Drool Brown Ale, my favorite Montana beer.

BA, UCLA; JD, UC Hastings College of the Law. I was a Lakers ball boy when I was a kid.

**ALMA MATERS FUN FACT**  Traveling around the world to Bruce Springsteen concerts.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Paris, because you can't beat the morning croissants or the evening lights.

# LYDIA KENNARD Chief Executive

**KDG Construction Consulting** 

Lydia Kennard is president and chief executive of KDG Construction Consulting. Founded in 1980, KDG provides program and construction management services to public and institutional clients throughout the Western United States. Since 2007,



Kennard has also served as a founding principal of Airport Property Ventures, an operator and developer of general aviation facilities. A Southern California native, Kennard's professional career has spanned corporate law, real estate development, and urban planning. She served as the executive director of Los Angeles World Airports from 1999 through 2003 and again from 2005 to early 2007. During her tenure with LAWA, Kennard oversaw and managed the country's secondlargest airport system, which included four airports, a staff of more than 3,000 employees, and an annual budget of nearly \$1 billion.

# MICHELLE KERRICK

Managing Partner Deloitte

Michelle Kerrick leads Deloitte's Los Angeles practice, one of the largest professional services firm in the area with audit, tax, and consulting and financial advisory service professionals. She has more than 30 years of experience and



has served a diverse group of publicly and privately held clients in several industries, ranging from middle-market companies to large multinationals. Kerrick serves as the lead client service partner for CBRE, Mattel, and Forever 21, and is advisory partner for several clients including Dole Food Co. Inc., Canvon Partners, Riot Games Inc., Salvation Army, Payden & Rygel, and Viad.

# JEFFREY KIGHTLINGER

Chief Executive Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Jeffrey Kightlinger is general manager and chief executive of Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the largest municipal water provider in the nation. It delivers an average of



more than 2 billion gallons of water a day to 19 million customers across Southern California. The MWD serves one out of every two Californians in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura counties. Kightlinger, who was appointed to his position in February 2006, manages the district's \$1.8 billion annual budget and 1,800 employees.

# **MAUREEN KINDEL**

Partner Kindel Gagan

Maureen Kindel is a founder of Kindel Gagan, a downtown lobbying and public affairs firm. She was the first woman to serve as president of L.A.'s Board of Public Works, where she set the tone for the involvement of minority and women-owned



businesses in public contracting. Kindel was a founding director of the Los Angeles Business Federation, Los Angeles Business Council, and Pacific Council of Foreign Relations. She has served as chairwoman of the L.A. Chamber Education Committee. Kindel serves as a Regent Emeritus of Loyola Marymount University, chairwoman of the board of visitors at the LMU School of Education, and as a strategic advisor of LMU's Family of Schools program.

# STEPHEN G. LARSON

Larson O'Brien

Stephen G. Larson is a partner in the law firm of Larson O'Brien, which he co-founded in 2016, representing government entities and businesses. He has appeared before the California Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court. He was a U.S. district judge



and former chief of the organized crime and racketeering section of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. He has 27 years of trial and appellate experience. As a federal judge, he adjudicated more than 1,000 cases, serving first as a U.S. magistrate judge and then as a U.S. district judge for the Central District of California. Before opening his own litigation law firm with Robert C. O'Brien, Larson chaired the litigation department of a national law firm.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Using the law to help people who are disadvantaged or are in a challenging position.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Selling cars at a Chevrolet dealership while in college.

MOST EXCITED

My seven children growing up. I have tried to teach them about life, but they have taught me what life is about.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Be prepared, tell the truth, and do something vou eniov.

**BEVERAGE** 

French Burgundy, red or white. A Silverado pickup truck.

**CAR DO YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS BUCKET LIST** 

BS, Georgetown University; JD, USC. A pilgrimage, alone, to the Holy Land. Travel with family.

HOBBY/PASSION

Rome.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

# **MEL LEVINE**

Counsel Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

Mel Levine, counsel in the Century City office of Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, served as a member of Congress from 1983 until 1993 and as a member of the California Assembly



from 1977 to 1982. He is a president of the Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners, sits on the advisory board of the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley, and is a director of the Pacific Council on International Policy. Levine founded and cochaired Rebuild America. He is married to journalist Connie Bruck, a staff writer for The New Yorker magazine. They have four children.

**ENJOY MOST** Helping people. TOUGHEST CHALLENGE Career change. When my kids were born. PROUDEST MOMENT **MOST EXCITED** The next generation. **BEST ADVICE** Be honest and relentless. BEVERAGE Coca-Cola.

> **CAR YOU DRIVE** Pontiac GTO.

**ALMA MATERS** AB, UC Berkeley; JD, Harvard; MPA, Princeton

**FUN FACT** Still playing in an adult baseball league.

**BUCKET LIST** Visit Normandy. HOBBY/PASSION Playing baseball.

# STUART LINER

Managing Partner Liner

Stuart Liner has been Liner's managing partner since its formation in 1996. He has been a "fixer of problems" and consigliere for many of the firm's clients for the past 20 years. Liner has helped the firm become one of L.A.'s largest



boutique law firms with more 75 attorneys today. In addition, he and the firm have launched a number of successful business ventures with clients in the areas of entertainment and media, real estate, and other core investments. Liner is also a board member of the South Central Scholars Organization and Loyola Law School.

# **CAROLINE NAHAS**

Vice Chairman and Senior Client Partner Korn Ferry

Carolina Nahas specializes in recruiting board directors and c-suite executives for a wide range of clients in a variety of industries. Active in many civic groups, she recently completed a threeyear term as chairwoman of the



United Way of Greater Los Angeles. She also serves on the board of visitors and executive committee for the Anderson Graduate School of Management at UCLA. Nahas has been recognized nationally by her peers, receiving the Eleanor H. Raynolds Award from the Association of Executive Search Consultants, based on a career of excellence in executive search, as well as an ongoing dedication to volunteerism

# **JEROLD B. NEUMAN**

Partner Liner

Considered one of California's preeminent land-use, environmental, and government law attorneys, Jerold B. "Jerry" Neuman is a partner in Liner's real estate, land-use, and government relations department. He is and has been the lead negotiator



and project coordinator for many high-profile real estate, green energy, infrastructure, and governmental procurement projects in Southern California. Those projects include the Hollywood & Highland Center and the 110-acre Burbank Empire Center, among others.

### PATRICK NIEMANN

Greater Los Angeles Office Managing Partner Ernst & Young

As managing partner for Ernst & Young's greater L.A. practice, Patrick Niemann leads a team of almost 1,700 professionals. He previously managed EY's greater L.A. audit practice and served as industry



leader for the media and entertainment and Japanese business services practices. He is a member of the USC Marshall School of Business Corporate Advisory Board and the Board of Advisors for the Marshall School's Leventhal School of Accounting. He serves on the boards of the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles, Children's Bureau, Special Olympics of Southern California, Character.org, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, and Town Hall Los Angeles.

**ENJOY MOST** Serving our clients.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** When EY colleagues or friends are dealing with personal setbacks or loss.

PROUDEST MOMENT The graduation of 14 Santee Education Complex students who participated in the EY

College Mentoring for Access and Persistence

program.

**BEST ADVICE** Work with people who share your values. MOST EXCITED We're growing so guickly and bringing in such

bright talent every day.

I grew up as the 10th of 11 children. **FUN FACT** Bachelor's, USC Marshall School of Business. **ALMA MATER BUCKET LIST** I don't have a bucket list.

**BEVERAGE** H20

# TIMOTHY NOONAN

Chief Executive Lockton Insurance Brokers

Timothy Noonan is president and chief executive of Lockton Insurance Brokers, the Pacific Series of Lockton Cos. He is responsible for more than \$160 million in annual revenue and 500 associates. He is a trustee of the ALS Association Golden West



Chapter; Vision to Learn, a public-private partnership delivering vision care to elementary school students in need; and the UCLA Longevity

Center. He is chairman of Phoenix House California. He serves on the executive committee of the board of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and is on the board of Town Hall Los Angeles. A member of YPO since 1997, Noonan is also a member of the World Presidents' Organization, Angeleno and L.A. chapters.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Being told I am a good father and have a

wonderful family.

MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE** 

Leaving a legacy of goodwill within. When it comes to integrity, there are no

shortcuts.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE**  Dead Eye.

ALMA MATER

Dodge Challenger Hellcat. BS, Cal State Northridge.

# **ROBERT C. O'BRIEN**

Partner Larson O'Brien

Robert C. O'Brien's practice focuses on complex litigation and domestic and international arbitration. He has expertise in entertainment, intellectual property, oil and gas, contract, and business tort matters.



O'Brien has been a federal court-appointed discovery master in several of the largest recent cases in the Central District of California, including MGA v. Mattel ("Barbie v. Bratz") and United States v. Standard & Poor's. Prior to establishing Larson O'Brien, he was the California managing partner of a national law firm. O'Brien served as the U.S. alternate representative to the 60th session of the United Nations General Assembly, which met in New York from 2005 through 2006. He is the author of "While America Slept: Restoring American Leadership to a World in Crisis," published by Encounter Books in 2016. He regularly appears on CNN, Fox News, MSNBC, and "The Hugh Hewitt Radio Show" to discuss foreign policy and national security issues.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Reacting to the constantly changing economic

environment affecting law firms and their

clients in Southern California.

PROUDEST MOMENT MOST EXCITED Marrying my wife 29 years ago. Watching my children complete their education

and build their careers.

**BEST ADVICE BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE**  Work hard, have a will to win, be honest, be kind.

Rooibos Tea. BMW 740i.

**ALMA MATERS** 

BA, UCLA; JD, UC Berkeley School of Law,

**Boalt Hall** 

**FUN FACT** 

I am a country music fan and have my car radio tuned to "The Highway" on SiriusXM.

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**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION Watching the Monaco FI Grand Prix in person. Writing about and advising on foreign policy and national security issues.

# PIERCE O'DONNELL

Counsel Greenberg Glusker

Trial attorney Pierce O'Donnell has represented clients in closely watched matters across virtually every major industry and area of litigation. He was lead counsel to Shelly Sterling in the \$2 billion sale of the Los Angeles Clippers



to Steve Ballmer. He is a member of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, American Law Institute, American Board of Trial Lawyers, and American Trial Lawyers Association.

# **STEVE OLSON** Partner O'Melveny & Myers

Steve Olson serves as firm-wide co-chairman of the white-collar defense and corporate investigations practice for O'Melveny. A former federal prosecutor at the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles,



Olson rejoined the firm in July 2013 after serving as deputy chief of staff and senior adviser to the U.S. commerce secretary. Olson also served as executive director of SelectUSA, President Barack Obama's initiative to attract increased investment in the United States by international businesses.

# RICHARD M. PACHULSKI

Partner Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones

For more than 40 years, Richard M. Pachulski has represented debtors and creditors' committees in both out-of-court workouts and in-court proceedings. In addition, he has extensive experience in business reorganizations, as well as debtor/



creditor litigation across numerous industries. He was lead counsel in the corporate restructurings of American Suzuki Motor Corp., Solyndra, and Mesa Airlines. Additionally, he was lead bankruptcy counsel to Lehman Bros. During the 1980s, he was a well-known Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 trustee. His work over this time span led to inclusion in the American College of Bankruptcy, an honorary association of the nation's most esteemed bankruptcy and insolvency professionals.

# **STACY D. PHILLIPS**

Partner Blank Rome

Certified family law specialist Stacy D. Phillips has achieved virtually every honor available to a lawyer for her work. She is also an author, commentator, speaker, philanthropist, and advocate for children and families. Throughout



her career, she has given back through active involvement as a leader and volunteer in community and nonprofit organizations as well as multiple professional associations. At Blank Rome, she represents a wide variety of high-profile and high net worth clients in divorce and custody issues.

# **JOHN B. QUINN** Partner

**Quinn Emanuel Trial Lawyers** 

John B. Quinn has been named "One of the World's Leading Litigation Lawyers" by Euromoney Institutional Investor and "One of California's Leading Litigators" by Chambers and Partners. In 2009, he was named California Attorney of



the Year for "extraordinary achievements" in intellectual property law by California Lawyer for his work on the highly publicized litigation for Mattel Inc. over the Bratz line of dolls. Since 1987, Quinn has also been general counsel of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I like oral advocacy, writing, analyzing problems, devising a strategy and executing on it; recruiting talent, pitching new work, encouraging lawyers to do their best, etc. - I like all of it.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE PROUDEST MOMENT My essential shyness. The births of my children.

The opportunities we have to grow our firm

internationally.

**BEST ADVICE ALMA MATERS** 

MOST EXCITED

Never compromise on quality.

B.A., magna cum laude, Claremont Men's College: J.D., cum laude, Harvard Law School

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION I don't like any animals, except birds.

I am suspicious of bucket lists. The business and practice of law.

# **GENE SEROKA**

**Executive Director** Port of Los Angeles

As executive director of the busiest container port in North America, Gene Seroka is responsible for managing more than a \$1 billion budget, advancing major capital projects, growing cargo volumes, and





promoting innovative and sustainable practices that improve Southern California's economy and quality of life. His duties involve interacting with a wide range of stakeholders, including port customers worldwide, supply chain partners, labor, community members, and elected and appointed officials at all levels. An industry-known leader, Seroka brings more than 28 years of experience in shipping, global logistics, and executive management to the port.

# MICHAEL SITRICK Chairman and Chief Executive Sitrick & Co.

Michael Sitrick is founder, chairman, and chief executive of Sitrick & Co., an internationally recognized expert in the strategic use of communications. Sitrick & Co., founded more than 28 years ago, has offices in Los Angeles,



New York, San Francisco, and Baltimore-Washington, D.C. Prior to forming the firm, Sitrick served as senior vice president of communications for Wickes Cos. Inc. He serves on the board of Jakks Pacific; he is a former board member of APP Pharmaceuticals Co., Abraxis BioScience, and Saint John's Health Center.

# **LISA SPECHT** Manatt Phelps & Phillips

Lisa Specht has extensive experience representing a variety of national and California-based companies, and providing strategic advice and representation on significant government contract, business, transportation, land-use,



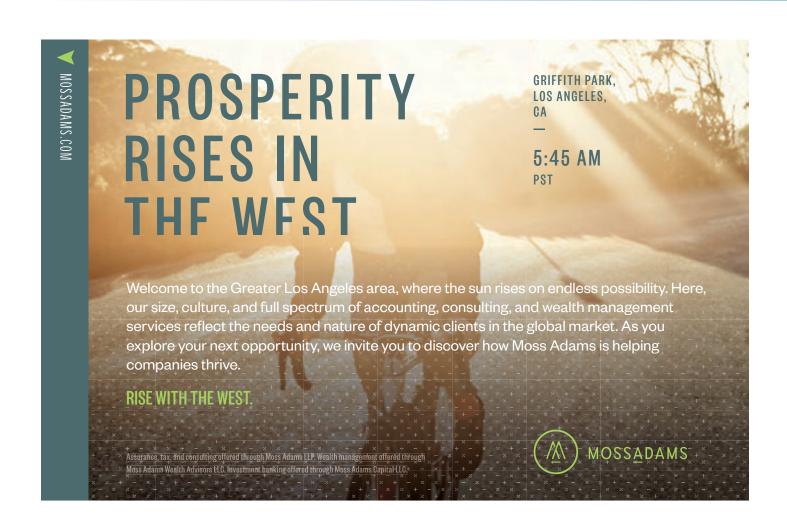
and public-policy issues. Her particular expertise involves assisting clients at the intersection of law, business, and government. She has chaired the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission and served as a city of Los Angeles recreation and parks commissioner. She also served in 2000 as chief counsel for the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles and is currently chairwoman of the Music Center Board.

**ENJOY MOST** 

A client comes to me when government is acting in a way that is not helpful to their business, or to assist them in winning a government contract.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Early on I had to figure out how to talk my way into law school without going to college.



PROUDEST MOMENT

There are several and they involve winning and being honored by my peers.

**BEST ADVICE** MOST EXCITED It is easier to ask for forgiveness than permission. I know (the future) will involve personal and professional growth.

**FUN FACT** 

I have a cattle ranch in Colorado and go on cattle drives every year.

**ALMA MATER BUCKET LIST** BEVERAGE HOBBY/PASSION

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

JD, University of San Fernando College of Law. To finish exploring India.

A glass of good red wine.

Horseback riding, skiing, and reading.

Africa.

# CINDY STARRETT

Latham & Watkins

Cindy Starrett has represented key investments in sustainable jobcreating projects in Los Angeles estimated at more than \$1 billion in value. Sought after by clients at the forefront of real estate development and infrastructure investment,



Starrett's endeavors include an exciting new Arts District project along the L.A. River designed by Bjarke Ingels; new medical facilities for Providence in Tarzana; and assisting with construction approvals for projects such as improvements at the Archer School for Girls, the Los Angeles Football Club's Major League Soccer stadium in Exposition Park, and the Frank Gehry-designed Grand Avenue project for Related. Starrett chairs Latham's global Energy and Infrastructure Project Siting and Approvals practice. She has chaired the Los Angeles Parks Foundation, and served on the boards of the Dodger Foundation, Orthopaedic Institute for Children, and Abode Community Housing.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Finding win-win solutions to transform great project visions into reality.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Setting the best possible example of consistent excellence as a professional woman while making time for my family and community.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Project openings and groundbreakings! I love celebrating with the community and

project team.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Determination and professional excellence must be combined with respect for everyone you encounter and human kindness.

MOST EXCITED

Talent and creativity of committed younger

**FUN FACT** 

people. I've climbed Mount Rainier and Mount Whitney

**ALMA MATERS** 

and would love to climb Mount Kilimanjaro. BA, Princeton University; JD, University of

Pennsylvania Law School.

# **MARY ANN TODD**

Partner Munger Tolles & Olson

Mary Ann Todd is a corporate partner at Munger Tolles & Olson, focusing on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and corporate governance. Todd was selected as one of the National Law Journal's Outstanding Women



Lawyers – one of the 75 most accomplished female attorneys working in the legal profession today. Todd is a board member of Bet Tzedek, and serves as board secretary of the Fulfillment Fund. She is an officer of the International Bar Association's Corporate and M&A Law Committee.

**FNJOY MOST** 

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

I value the trust that my clients place in me. Doing everything I want to do at the level at which I want to do it.

PROUDEST MOMENT

BEST ADVICE MOST EXCITED

Every moment I spend with my kids. Do what you love and you'll be great at it. The fact that there will be more women in

positions of power.

**FUN FACT ALMA MATERS BUCKET LIST** BEVERAGE HOBBY/PASSION I continue to be dedicated to the Lakers. AB, UC Berkeley; JD, Yale Law School. Writing a mystery novel.

Sancerre.

All things outdoors.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Japan.

# HERB J. WESSON JR.

Councilman, Council District 10 City of Los Angeles

Herb J. Wesson Jr. has represented Council District 10 since 2005. He has served as the president of the Los Angeles City Council since November 2011. Wesson is the first African-American to hold the position of council



president in the city's history and has been re-elected three times to the post. During his tenure, Wesson has presided over policy initiatives including pension reform, raising the minimum wage, and consolidating city elections to increase voter turnout. Wesson chairs the rules, elections, intergovernmental relations, and neighborhoods committee; board of referred powers; and the ad hoc committee on the 2024 Summer Olympics. He is the vice chairman of the ad hoc committee on comprehensive job creation.

# **DEBRA WONG YANG**

Partner Gibson Dunn & Crutcher

A partner in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's L.A. office, Debra Wong Yang specializes in corporate crime and compliance. She has a strong background in resolving problems across the white-collar litigation spectrum. She chairs the firm's



Crisis Management Practice and has served several other practice groups, including white-collar defense and investigations; privacy, cybersecurity, and consumer protection; media, entertainment and technology; and intellectual property. Yang was appointed U.S. Attorney in May 2002 by President George W. Bush, becoming the first Asian-American woman to serve in that capacity. Prior to this service, she was a California state judge.

**ENJOY MOST** Each matter brings unique and

> often cutting-edge challenges. The problems I confront are multi-headed

and multi-faceted.

PROUDEST MOMENT Most of my proudest moments I

cannot disclose because the problems went away before they ever surfaced

for my clients.

**BEST ADVICE** Look at the hard facts early on, contemplate

the worst alternatives and outcomes, understand the legal challenges, and then

start to plan a strategy.

**FUN FACT** I turned down an offer to be the criminal

"Judge Judy."

**BUCKET LIST** Skiing in Switzerland. HOBBY/PASSION Opening doors for others.

# **KEN ZIFFREN**

Ziffren Brittenham

Ken Ziffren co-founded Century City-based entertainment law firm Ziffren Brittenham in 1978. He is known industrywide for his deals on behalf of individuals in the television and film business. His practice consists primarily



of representing corporate clients in connection with mergers and acquisitions and financing and distribution agreements in film, television, and digital media. In 1998, he became an adjunct law professor at his alma mater. UCLA School of Law.

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# **DAVID AGUS**

Director, Lawrence J. Ellison Institute for Transformative Medicine of USC Director, USC Center for Applied Molecular Medicine

Dr. David Agus is professor of medicine and engineering at University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine and Viterbi School of Engineering. He helms the



Lawrence J. Ellison Institute for Transformative Medicine and is the co-founder of two companies, Navigenics and Applied Proteomics. He leads a multidisciplinary team of researchers dedicated to the development and use of technologies to guide doctors in making health-care decisions tailored to individual needs. Agus' first book, "The End of Illness," was published in 2012 and a New York Times No. 1 bestseller. He also authored "A Short Guide to a Long Life" (2014) and "The Lucky Years: How to thrive in the brave new world of health" (2016).

# **ALAN H. AUERBACH**

Chairman and Chief Executive Puma Biotechnology

Alan H. Auerbach has served as chairman, chief executive, and president of Puma Biotechnology since its inception. Prior to founding Puma, he served as founder, chief executive, president, and board member of Cougar Biotechnology



Inc. from the company's inception in 2003 until its acquisition by Johnson & Johnson in July 2009. Prior to founding Cougar, Auerbach was a vice president and senior research analyst from June 1998 to April 2003 at Wells Fargo Securities, where he was responsible for research coverage of small and middle capitalization biotech companies, with a focus on companies in the field of oncology.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Surfing.

Hawaii.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

MOST EXCITED

**FUN FACT** 

**ALMA MATERS** 

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  What I do has the potential to make a difference in cancer patients' lives. Running my previous company, Cougar Biotechnology, during the financial crisis. When Zytiga (abiraterone acetate) was approved by the Food and Drug Administration for treating prostate cancer. The outlook for the treatment of cancer is particularly promising at this time. I have surfed every island in Hawaii. Bachelor's, Boston University; Master's, University of Southern California.

### ARIE BELLDEGRUN Chairman and Chief Executive Kite Pharma

Arie Belldegrun has been a leader in developing novel cancer treatments. He has also been closely involved with the founding and advancement of several successful private and public biopharmaceutical companies. He

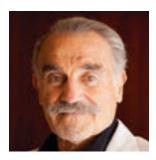


founded Agensys Inc., a biotechnology company, in 1996 and served as its chairman and a board member until 2007 when it was acquired by Astellas Pharma Inc. He is also chairman of Arno Therapeutics, Two River Group, and UroGen Pharma. He is a board member of Cell Design Labs and a member of the Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy's Strategic Advisory Group. Belldegrun is also a professor of urology and is director of the UCLA Institute of Urologic Oncology at the David Geffen School of Medicine.

# **ROY DOUMANI**

**Executive Director** Business of Science Center, UCLA

In addition to serving on the board of cancer treatment research company Kite Pharma, Roy Doumani is executive director of UCLA's Business of Science Center and a professor at the David Geffen School of Medicine at the university. With a



background in international finance and banking, Doumani has served as a board member and adviser to companies in the United States, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East. He has been involved with numerous financial institutions including as founder and director of First Los Angeles Bank and chairman of World Trade Bank in Los Angeles.

# **NEAL S. ELATTRACHE**

Board Member and Surgeon Kerlan-Jobe Orthopaedic Clinic

Dr. Neal S. ElAttrache is an orthopedic surgeon specializing in sports medicine at Kerlan-Jobe Orthopaedic Clinic. He is a member of the Kerlan-Jobe Orthopaedic Clinic board, chairman of the Kerlan-Jobe Orthopaedic Foundation,



and program director for the Kerlan-Jobe Fellowship. He serves on the board and as co-chair of medical affairs for the Kerlan-Jobe Institute, a collaboration with Cedars-Sinai Medical Center to lead advancements in the fields of orthopedics and sports medicine on a global scale. ElAttrache is head team physician for the Los Angeles Dodgers and Rams and is orthopedic consultant to the Los Angeles Kings and Los Angeles Lakers. He has also been elected as President of the Herodicus Society from July 2016 to July 2017. He served as senior surgeon for on-site surgical support for the U.S. Olympic Committee at the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

# THOMAS E. JACKIEWICZ

Senior Vice President and Chief Executive Keck Medicine of USC

Thomas E. "Tom" Jackiewicz, senior vice president and chief executive of Keck Medicine of USC, oversees three L.A.-area hospitals: Keck Hospital of USC, USC Norris



Comprehensive Cancer Hospital, and USC Verdugo Hills Hospital; more than 40 ambulatory clinics; and the USC Care physician practice. He also heads KMC's international medicine initiative. Jackiewicz serves as a board member of the California Hospital



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- Children's services
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- Emergency room
- Maternity services
- Orthopedic services

Association. Prior to joining USC, he was chief executive of UCSD Health System and held leadership positions at the University of Pennsylvania Health System, Stanford University School of Medicine, and Columbia University Medical Center.

# MARCEL LOH

Chief Executive Providence Saint John's Health Center and John Wayne Cancer Institute

Marcel Loh is chief executive of Providence Saint John's Health Center and John Wayne Cancer Institute. Before taking up his current position in 2014, Loh served in executive roles for 14 years at



Swedish Health Services, a nonprofit health system in Seattle and an affiliate of Providence Health & Services. Prior to joining Swedish, he served as chief executive of Kadlec Medical Center in Richland, Wash., and North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, Mont. Loh holds a master's in hospital administration from the University of Iowa and a bachelor's in business administration from the University of North Dakota.

# **JOHN C. MAZZIOTTA**

Vice Chancellor, UCLA Health Sciences Chief Executive, UCLA Health

Dr. John C. Mazziotta has been a member of the UCLA faculty since 1983. He has served as dean of the medical school, associate vice chancellor of UCLA Health Sciences and executive vice dean. In addition, he was chair of the



Department of Neurology and founding director of the Ahmanson-Lovelace Brain Mapping Center. Before his appointment to those roles, he was associate vice chancellor for health sciences and executive vice dean of the school of medicine. Mazziotta also has been chair of the Department of Neurology. He earned his MD and PhD in neuroanatomy and computer science from Georgetown University. Mazziotta has published more than 260 research papers and has received numerous awards and honors.

### J. MARIO MOLINA Former Chief Executive Molina Healthcare

Dr. J. Mario Molina was president and chief executive of Molina Healthcare, a health care insurance company founded by his father. After his residency, he became a fellow in endocrinology and metabolism at the San Diego



Veterans Affairs Medical Center and was then appointed assistant professor of medicine at USC. In 1991, Molina joined the family firm as medical director and then was elected chairman of the board in 1996. He serves on the boards of Johns Hopkins Medicine, the Aquarium of the Pacific, and Homeboy Industries, and is an overseer of the Huntington Library. Replaced as chief executive in 2017, he retained a seat on the board.

# THOMAS M. PRISELAC

Chief Executive Cedars-Sinai Health System

Thomas M. Priselac has been president and chief executive of the Cedars-Sinai Health System since January 1994. He served as executive vice president from 1988 to 1993. Priselac recently led the affiliation of Cedars-Sinai Medical



Center with Torrance Memorial Medical Center, forming Cedars-Sinai Health System. Before joining Cedars-Sinai, he was on the executive staff of Montefiore Hospital in Pittsburgh. He is a past chairman of the American Hospital Association and the Association of American Medical Colleges. He formerly chaired the California Healthcare Association, the Association of American Medical Colleges Council of Teaching Hospitals, and the Hospital Association of Southern California.

> **ENJOY MOST** The opportunity to make a difference in

people's lives.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Developing accurate, meaningful and reliable

measures of quality and efficiency in health care. PROUDEST MOMENT I have taken great pride in watching Cedars-Sinai evolve into one of the nation's leading

health care organizations.

**BEST ADVICE** Be focused on where the organization needs

to be going, not on where it is.

MOST EXCITED The payment model in health care is changing

> to promote the goal of keeping people healthy and delivering high-quality, cost-effective care.

**FUN FACT** I talked my way onto the field to watch the Steelers beat the Dallas Cowboys in the Super

Bowl in 1978.

ALMA MATER Bachelor's, Washington and Jefferson College;

Master's. University of Pittsburgh.

**BUCKET LIST** To ride one of the stages in the Tour de France

in the group of amateurs that goes the day

after the official race.

HOBBY/PASSION I like to play as many sports as possible.

# **ROBERT W. STONE**

**Chief Executive** City of Hope

Robert W. Stone sets the strategic vision for City of Hope, driving business development and maximizing potential growth for the cancer research and treatment institution that is dedicated to innovation in biomedical



research and the delivery of compassionate, world-class patient care. He leads a diverse team of talented individuals committed to humanitarian service and ensuring access to the institution's breakthrough discoveries and specialized therapies. Since joining City of Hope in 1996 as associate general counsel, Stone has served in a number of increasingly responsible roles, including having served as president and executive officer of the City of Hope Medical Foundation.

# **PAUL VIVIANO** Chief Executive Children's Hospital Los Angeles

Paul S. Viviano joined Children's Hospital Los Angeles as president, chief executive, and board member in 2015. Viviano previously served as chief executive of UC San Diego Health System and associate vice chancellor of UC San Diego Health



Sciences, which he joined from Alliance HealthCare Services, where he was chairman and chief executive. He is a board member of the Hospital Association of Southern California and board chairman at Loyola Marymount University.

# **MICHAEL WEINSTEIN**

AIDS Healthcare Foundation

Michael Weinstein is the president of AIDS Healthcare Foundation. Before becoming involved in HIV/ AIDS-related issues in the 1980s, he was a businessman and graphic designer. As president and cofounder of AHF, he oversees an



\$1.3 billion organization whose mission is to provide "cutting-edge medicine and advocacy regardless of ability to pay." AHF currently serves 606,413 clients in the United States, Africa, Latin/America and the Caribbean, the Asia/Pacific region and Eastern Europe. In order to help finance some of the many services AHF provides. Weinstein created the popular Out of the Closet thrift store chain, the nation's largest AIDS-related retail business. Active in local politics, under Weinstein's guidance, AHF was a primary backer of Measure S, an anti-development ballot measure in Los Angeles.

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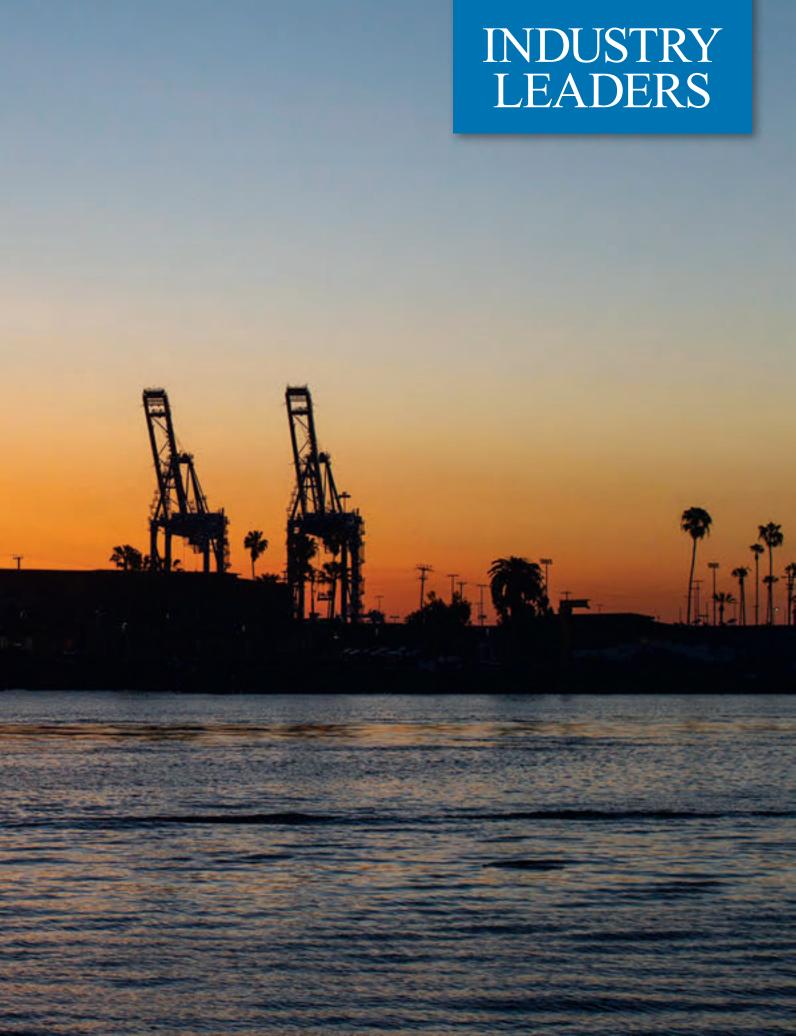


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# **DAN BANE** Chairman and Chief Executive

Trader Joe's

Dan Bane is chairman and chief executive of Trader Joe's. The Pasadena resident was appointed to his position in July 2001. Previously, he was president of Trader Joe's West, the larger of the company's two operating divisions.



Trader Joe's, with annual sales of more than \$13 billion, has 464 specialty grocery stores nationwide. Bane graduated from USC in 1969 with a bachelor's in accounting. After graduation and a foundational period of 13 years in public accounting, he went on to hold management positions with professional service, wholesale, and retail firms.

# H.F. "BERT" **BOECKMANN II**

Chairman and Chief Executive **Galpin Motors** 

H.F. "Bert" Boeckmann II began his career selling automobiles at Galpin Ford in 1963, while a student at USC, and later became general manager, then president and chief executive, and eventually



owner. Galpin Motors, based in the San Fernando Valley since 1946, is a world-renowned, award-winning automotive enterprise with 10 franchises, along with Galpin Auto Sports, a full in-house customizing and aftermarket center; Galpin Rentals; the Horseless Carriage Restaurant, America's first full-service, in-dealership restaurant; and Galpin Starbucks. It sells more vehicles than any other Ford dealership in the world. Boeckmann has been honored for his leadership and philanthropic endeavors.

# ROBERT A. BRADWAY Chairman and Chief Executive

Amgen Inc.

Robert A. Bradway became chief executive of Amgen Inc., one of the world's leading biotechnology companies, in May 2012 and chairman in January 2013. Bradway served as the company's president and chief operating officer from



May 2010 to May 2012. Prior to joining Amgen, he was a managing director at Morgan Stanley in London, where, beginning in 2001, he had responsibility for the firm's banking department and corporate finance activities in Europe. Bradway is also chairman of the CEO Roundtable on Cancer, a nonprofit founded to bring solutions to cancer treatment and prevention.

# **PAUL BRICAULT**

Managing Partner, Amplify.LA Venture Partner, Greycroft

Paul Bricault is founder and managing director of Amplify. LA, a startup accelerator that launched in December 2011 and has funded 52 companies and opened a 10,000-square-foot tech campus in Venice. He is also a venture



partner at Greycroft Partners in the firm's West Coast office. He sits on the board of DataScience and Dropoff, and is a board observer at the Inventables, Free Range Games Dots, and Sensay. Bricault was founder of the Mailroom Fund, a venture fund in partnership with Accel Partners, Venrock, and AT&T that focused on early stage investments in Southern California-based digital media firms. He founded MRF during his 16-year tenure at the William Morris Agency, where he headed the global marketing practice and digital media group. He is on the board of the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism.

# MICHAEL S. BURKE

Chairman and Chief Executive

Michael S. Burke is chairman and chief executive of engineering giant Aecom. Burke joined the company in 2005, was named chief financial officer in 2006 and president in 2011. He directed the company's 2007 initial public offering on the New



York Stock Exchange. During 2014, Burke led Aecom's purchase of URS Corp., an \$11 billion deal. Prior to joining Aecom, Burke served as western area managing partner at accounting firm KPMG, which he joined in 1990. Burke is a member of the board of Rentech, a publicly traded company providing clean energy solutions. He also is a member of the board of LA 2024, the committee seeking to bring the 2024 Olympic Games to Los Angeles.

> **ENJOY MOST** I'm energized by the talent, passion and

commitment of our people at Aecom who design and build projects that improve our communities. All the ways this company is building a better world and delivering transformative solutions. Set a clear and compelling vision and then

surround yourself with an extraordinary team

to help you achieve it.

**BEVERAGE** Red wine. HOBBY/PASSION Golf.

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** 

# FRED CHANG

Chairman and Chief Executive Newegg Inc.

Fred Chang founded Newegg Inc., a provider of computer parts and hardware, in January 2001. He built the business to become a leading online retailer. With more than 10.5 million products and an awardwinning website, the company equips



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# DO WON "DON" CHANG

Chief Executive Forever 21

After immigrating to Los Angeles from South Korea in the 1980s, Jin Sook and Do Won "Don" Chang struggled to start a successful business until they opened clothing store Fashion 21, which would become the Forever 21 chain. Now,



the company is the fifth-largest specialty retailer in the United States and had an estimated \$4.4 billion in revenue in 2015.

# **JIN SOOK CHANG**

Principal Forever 21

Jin Sook Chang is known to be one of America's most successful immigrants. She co-founded Forever 21 with her husband, Do Won Chang, and has helped it grow to become the fifth-largest specialty retailer in the United States and had an estimated



\$4.4 billion in revenue in 2015. The Changs own 100 percent of the privately held fashion chain, and their daughters Lisa and Esther have joined the family business.

# **DOV CHARNEY**

Chief Executive L.A. Apparel Inc.

Dov Charney is an industrialist and entrepreneur. At age 20 he started American Apparel, a T-shirt business that soon became the largest clothing manufacturing operation in the United States. He was chief executive at the company, which focuses on



American-made and environmentally friendly products, until 2014. American Apparel launched as a wholesaler but eventually branched into retail sales. In 2008, Charney was named Retailer of the Year at the Michael Awards, a fashion industry mainstay. In 2016, Charney launched a new clothing company called L.A. Apparel.

# ANDREW CHERNG

Co-Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Panda Restaurant Group

Andrew Cherng is the visionary behind Panda Restaurant Group, which his business insights have propelled to become a world leader in Asian dining experiences. His passion for continuous learning inspires a culture where company associates



are dedicated to developing their full potential. He was conferred an honorary doctor of humane letters by California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. Under Cherng's leadership, Panda was ranked the No. 1 Asian quick-service concept for seven consecutive years by QSR. He and wife Peggy Cherng, Panda Restaurant Group's cochairman and co-chief executive, have been inducted into the National Restaurant Association's Hall of Fame.

# **PEGGY CHERNG**

Co-Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Panda Restaurant Group

Peggy Cherng has been a driving force in the success of Panda Restaurant Group since joining the organization in 1982. Leveraging her engineering background, Cherng developed the systems that support Panda's growth and help associates



deliver consistent dining experiences to guests. Her holistic vision for people development led to the creation of the University of Panda, a core component of the company's people-development strategy. Cherng is deeply committed to giving back to the communities in which Panda restaurants operate through Panda Cares, a philanthropic effort that has donated millions of dollars to nonprofit organizations. schools, and children's hospitals since its founding in 1999.

# YANG HO CHO

Chairman and Chief Executive Hanjin Group

Hanjin Group is a global South Korean transportation conglomerate of more than 48 companies specializing in the aviation, maritime, and ground transportation industries. It includes Korean Air and Hanjin Transportation as well as educational institutions and



nonprofit foundations. Its former subsidiary, Hanjin Shipping, went bankrupt in February. Yang Ho Cho began his career at Korean Air in 1974 as a manager in the Americas regional headquarters and worked his way up the company's executive ladder. He serves as co-chairman of the Korea-U.S. Business Council and vice chairman of the Federation of Korean Industries. Korean Air is the developer of the Wilshire Grand project downtown, the tallest building in the West.

# **ROY CHOI** Principal Kogi BBQ

Classically trained at the Culinary Institute of America and Le Bernardin, Roy Choi garnered his acclaim via the street food scene. In 2008, his first Kogi BBQ rolled out as the little Korean taco truck that could, peddling \$2 Korean barbecue



tacos on the streets of Los Angeles. Within a few short months, his trucks would become an icon of L.A. street food. The Kogi family has since opened up counter locations in Culver City at the Alibi Room and its first sit-down restaurant, Chego! He was included in the 2016 Time 100 Most Influential People in the World list. His cookbook and memoir, "LA Son," was a New York Times bestseller.

# **CRAIG R. COONING**

President Network and Space Systems Boeing Co.

Craig R. Cooning is president of the Network and Space Systems division at Boeing Co., the world's largest aerospace company. N&SS comprises six business areas providing global customers with space exploration, cybersecurity.



missile defense, and satellite communications solutions. Previously, he served as vice president and general manager of Boeing Space and Intelligence Systems, and chief executive of Boeing Satellite Systems International. Boeing's El Segundo facility is the world's largest satellite factory. A retired Air Force major general, he was director of space acquisition for the undersecretary of the Air Force prior to joining Boeing in September 2005.

# THEODORE F. **CRAVER JR.**

Former Chairman, Chief Executive **Edison International** 

Theodore F. Craver Jr. was elected chairman and chief executive of Edison International, the parent company of Southern California Edison, one of the nation's largest electric utilities, in August 2008. He



retired from these positions in 2016. Before joining Edison in 1996, Craver served as executive vice president and corporate treasurer of First Interstate Bancorp. He is a member of the Economic Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Bank's Twelfth District and a member of the Business Roundtable.

# CARL DAIKELER Chairman and Chief Executive Beachbody

In a pursuit to maintain his own health and fitness, and find a solution for the growing obesity epidemic, Daikeler co-founded Beachbody in 1998 with Jon Congdon. Since then, the Santa Monica company has redefined in-home exercise with top



fitness and weight-loss solutions such as Beachbody on Demand and P90X. Through the Team Beachbody Coach Network, his aspiration is to create the largest community of health and fitness-related peer support in the world. Beachbody's approach to fitness has not only gained the attention of millions of satisfied customers, but also generated more than \$1 billion in sales in 2014.

**ENJOY MOST** 

It's daunting, uncertain, yet invigorating as we see more customers transform with

each innovation.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Staying vigilant to the message that the Team Beachbody concept wasn't a "classic" MLM financial opportunity, but first about people-

helping-people get results.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Every year I am stunned at what people achieve when they make the commitment to portion control and fitness. It's quite remarkable to be a part of that.

MOST EXCITED I believe we are nearing a tipping point where

the idea that the home is the center of a

person's health and fitness. Water. Seriously.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

Tesla Model S. BA. Ithaca College.

I don't like working out, and I eat like a

second grader.

**BUCKET LIST** I'd like to ride my bicycle from L.A. to New York. HOBBY/PASSION Stand-up paddle boarding.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Kauai, Hawaii.

# **JOHN PAUL DEJORIA**

Chairman John Paul Mitchell Systems

John Paul DeJoria, who was once homeless, is now one of America's most acclaimed entrepreneurs. philanthropists, and pillars of the business community. In 1980, he partnered with friend Paul Mitchell to launch the Paul Mitchell hair



care products company. The company has an estimated \$1 billion in annual revenue. It was the first professional beauty company to stand up against animal testing. DeJoria also co-founded Patron Spirits Co., was given a seat on the New York Stock Exchange, and has been honored for his work to help the homeless. In 2011, DeJoria signed Bill Gates and Warren Buffet's Giving Pledge, a vow to donate most of his wealth to philanthropic causes.

# PETER DIAMANDIS

**Executive Chairman** XPrize Foundation

Dr. Peter Diamandis is founder and executive chairman of the XPrize Foundation, which leads the world in designing and operating large-scale incentive competitions. Diamandis is also co-founder and vice chairman of Human Longevity Inc., a genomics



and cell therapy company focused on extending the healthy human lifespan. In addition, he is co-founder and executive chairman of Singularity University, a graduate-level Silicon Valley institution that counsels world leaders on exponentially growing technologies. He was named by Fortune as one of the World's 50 Greatest Leaders.

# **EILEEN DRAKE**

Chief Executive Aerojet Rocketdyne

Eileen Drake has served as chief executive and president of Aerojet since June 2015, having previously served as chief operating officer. She has served on the board of Woodward Inc., a designer, manufacturer, and service provider of control system



solutions and components for the aerospace and industrial markets, since February 2017. She was previously with United Technologies

Corp., where she served as president of Pratt & Whitney AeroPower's auxiliary power unit and small turbojet propulsion business. Prior to joining UTC, Drake managed production operations at Ford Motor Co. She served on active duty for seven years as a U.S. Army aviator and airfield commander of Davison Army Airfield in Fort Belvoir, Va.

### MIKE DUBIN

Chief Executive **Dollar Shave Club** 

Like many good ideas, Dollar Shave Club was born out of frustration. Co-founders Mike Dubin and Mark Levine started discussing their mutual frustration in buying razors - high prices, shave technology "breakthroughs" that nobody actually



needed, painful shaves with a dull old blade, and the plastic razor fortress in every store. To fix this, they created a club that delivers razors right to customers. Dollar Shave Club was born in 2011 in Dubin's living room and last year was sold to Unilever in a \$1 billion transaction. Dubin previously worked in television news, digital media, and marketing.

### **GIL ELBAZ** Chief Executive Factual

Gil Elbaz is the founder and chief executive of Factual, a data company that enables developers, publishers, and advertisers to build highly relevant mobile experiences using the context of location. Prior to Factual, he co-founded Applied Semantics



Inc., which developed AdSense. Google acquired ASI in 2003, and Elbaz stayed on to run Google Los Angeles.

I really enjoy aspects of the company building where we are developing technology or business models that change the rules of the game. My biggest challenge when starting Factual was convincing anyone that data was a valuable

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

enough asset to start a company dedicated entirely to buying, selling and perfecting it. When yet another major app agreed to license Factual data. I can tell you that many of us at Factual are so proud that the world's most impactful companies are licensing our data.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Pick a goal, point towards it, and give yourself a full 10 years to succeed because it may take

**BEST ADVICE** 

Factual's plans for the future, which include

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expanding both horizontally (increasing the breadth of our data assets) and vertically (making our data more accessible for specific verticals).

**BEVERAGE** 

A good friend taught me the wonders of drinking lots of water. But, when he's not looking I'm downing coffee.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

Tesla. Only because it is a great environmental choice, of course, not because it is powerful, smooth, comfortable, and is internetconnected with an amazing 17" display.

**ALMA MATER** 

**FUN FACT** 

I joined the cross country team at Caltech

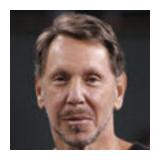
### **BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

even though I had never run a full mile. Hike the Pacific Crest Trail (or a good chunk of it). Besides data, it is basketball. I am an NBA fan, a Clippers season-ticket holder, and play full court games every single week.

# LARRY ELLISON

**Executive Chairman** Oracle Corp.

Larry Ellison is founder and chairman of Oracle, a giant tech company that has more than 420,000 customers and deployments in more than 145 countries. Oracle offers a comprehensive and fully integrated range of cloud applications, platform



services, and engineered systems. Ellison founded the company in 1977 and served as chief executive until September 2014. His holdings in Los Angeles include about a dozen beachfront properties in Malibu and the recently opened Nobu Ryokan Malibu hotel on Carbon Beach. In his spare time, he races sailboats, flies planes, plays tennis, and guitar.

# AHMED ENANY

Chief Executive Southern California Biomedical Council

Ahmed Enany runs the nonprofit Southern California Biomedical Council, a member-supported trade association that serves the biotech, medtech, in vitro diagnostic device, and digital health communities in the six counties that comprise the



greater L.A. region. SoCalBio's programs help local firms gain access to capital, potential partners, and other business services. The council also promotes technology transfer and workforce training, while informing policy-makers and the public about the benefits of the region's bioscience industry. Enany came to the United States from his native Egypt to attend UCLA.

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TOUGHEST CHALLENGE PROUDEST MOMENT Helping our member biotech and medical device companies create impactful, life-saving products. Beating cancer twice while continuing to work. Graduating top of my class in Cairo University, the birth of my son, creating SoCalBio, and simply staying alive which makes every moment a proud one.

MOST EXCITED

We are living in an era of unprecedented explosion of innovations, from biotechnology and the internet to nanotechnology and

artificial intelligence.

**BEST ADVICE** BEVERAGE

take action to open up new opportunities. I have to have my latte in the morning. I hate driving and sold my car three years ago. BA, Cairo University.

Don't get trapped in paralysis by analysis and

**ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

I love standup comedy, particularly the work of Kevin Hart, Chris Rock, and Katt Williams.

HOBBY/PASSION

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

When I have spare time, I like to cook, bake bread, and watch movies or reruns of "Seinfeld," "Curb Your Enthusiasm," and

"Bored to Death." Shanghai, China.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

BS. Caltech.

# **LARRY S. FLAX** Co-Chief Executive Flax & Rosenfield Development

Larry S. Flax is co-founder of California Pizza Kitchen, established in 1985. He served as co-chief executive officer from 1985 to 1996, and again from 2003 to 2011. He served as co-chairman since the company's formation to 2011.



After graduating from USC Law School, he joined the United State Attorney's office as an assistant attorney. He also served as assistant chief in the Criminal Division and as chief of the Civil Rights Division of the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. He joined forces with Rick Rosenfield in 1973 to form the law firm of Flax & Rosenfield Inc., where he continued to practice law until the two partners founded California Pizzas Kitchen. Most recently, Flax joined with Rosenfield in developing restaurant concepts, their first being Bottlefish, which opened in Brentwood in December 2016. He serves on the board of councilors for the USC Gould School of Law and the boards of UCLA Health Systems, City Year, the Milken Institute's FasterCures, and is a member of the advisory board for its Philanthropy Advisory Service.

<b>ENJOY MOST</b> Trying to	bring service	e, qualit
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ity, and value to our customers in new and exciting ways provides

a series of rewarding challenges.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Selling our extremely successful venture of

CPK after 26 years and restarting a new restaurant venture in Bottlefish.

PROUDEST MOMENT When I told my parents that I'd passed the

California State Bar.

The future of our new restaurant concept,

**Bottlefish** 

Take risks. Also, have a partner with whom **BEST ADVICE** you're synergistic so that 1+1=3.

BA, University of Washington; JD, University

**ALMA MATERS** of Southern California Law School; LLM,

> University of Southern California Law School. Before I opened California Pizza Kitchen

I'd only eaten two or three pizzas. I was a hamburger man before CPK.

**BUCKET LIST** Create a second highly successful restaurant

company.

# **DEBORAH ALE FLINT**

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**FUN FACT** 

**Executive Director** Los Angeles World Airports

Deborah Ale Flint became executive director of Los Angeles World Airports in July 2015. She came to LAWA, the city-owned department that operates Los Angeles International Airport, LA-Ontario, and Van Nuys airports, from the



Port of Oakland, where she had been aviation director since 2010. In Oakland, Ale Flint was the primary executive responsible for the operation, management, and business development of Oakland International Airport. Prior to serving as aviation director at the port, Ale Flint was assistant aviation director and led the operation of the airport. She began her career with the port in 1992 in port finance and advanced through the port's finance and aviation divisions. She has served on the President's Advisory Committee on Consumer Protection (aviation).

# FRANK O. GEHRY

Architect **Gehry Partners** 

Canadian-born architect Frank O. Gehry grew up in Los Angeles and studied architecture at USC, then city planning at Harvard University. He became world-renowned for his creative and iconic home designs, which often use metals and other



unusual materials and frequently appear more sculptural than structural. He established his practice in 1962 in Los Angeles, then founded Gehry Partners in 2001. He and his company have handled academic, commercial, museum, performance, and residential projects around the world. Gehry Partners employs a large number of senior architects who have extensive experience in the technical development of building systems and construction documents, and who are highly qualified in the management of complex projects. Every project undertaken by Gehry Partners is designed personally and directly by Gehry.

# **MARGARET "MARGO" GEORGIADIS**



as Mattel's chief executive in early 2017. She is also on the Mattel board of directors. Georgiadis came from Google, where she ran commercial operations and ad

sales in the United States, Canada, and Latin America for six years. She had previously served as chief operating officer of Groupon Inc. and executive vice president and chief marketing officer of Discover Financial Services. At Discover, she led the company through a turnaround, revitalizing business performance with awardwinning new products, customer experience and marketing. Prior to Discover, Georgiadis was a partner at McKinsey & Company for 15 years in London and Chicago. She sits on the board of McDonald's Corp. and is a graduate of Harvard Business School.

# **JERRY GREENBERG**

Chief Executive Sugarfish

Jerry Greenberg and sushi chef Kazunori Nozawa became friends in the late 1990s when Greenberg began eating at the bar at Sushi Nozawa as often as he could. They conceived of the idea for Sugarfish and in 2007, after Greenberg left



his position as co-chief executive of marketing and consulting firm Sapient Corp., they focused on their restaurant. Together with their partners, they formed Sushi Nozawa, a restaurant group that has opened Sugarfish locations throughout the L.A. area, the Nozawa Bar, and KazuNori. Greenberg was co-founder of Sapient; he remains on its board.

### **BILL GROSS** Chairman and Chief Executive Idealah

Bill Gross founded Idealab in March 1996 to create and build successful businesses that capitalize on innovations in areas with significant growth opportunities, including the internet. A lifelong entrepreneur, Gross started several companies



prior to Idealab. In high school, he founded Solar Devices, which sold plans and kits for solar energy products. In college at Caltech, he patented a new loudspeaker design and formed GNP Loudspeakers Inc. After graduating, he and his brother Larry started GNP Development Inc., which made a natural language product. In 1991, Bill Gross started Knowledge Adventure, which grew into the thirdlargest educational software publisher in the world.

# **ENRIQUE "RICK"** HERNANDEZ JR.

Chairman and Chief Executive Inter-Con Security Systems

Enrique Hernandez Jr. is chief executive and president of Inter-Con Security Systems, one of the world's largest security providers. The company, founded by his father, employs more than 25,000 people



in North and South America, Africa, and Europe. The company's clients include military bases, nuclear generating facilities, U.S. Embassies and diplomatic missions, health care facilities, and general commercial and industrial facilities. Before joining Inter-Con in 1984, Hernandez was a litigation attorney with Brobeck Phleger & Harrison in Los Angeles. He is on the board of Chevron Corp., Nordstrom Inc., and McDonald's Corp., for which he is chairman. He is also a trustee of the University of Notre Dame.

# STEVEN J. ISAKOWITZ

Chief Executive Aerospace Corp.

A recognized leader across the government, private, space, and technology sectors, Steven J. Isakowitz is president and chief executive officer of Aerospace Corp., a leading architect for the nation's national security and civil



space programs with annual revenue of \$951 million. Isakowitz assumed this position in 2016. He has served in prominent roles at Virgin Galactic, the U.S. Department of Energy, NASA, and the White House Office of Management and Budget. He serves on various advisory boards at both the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and California State University Long Beach, and has served on the FAA's Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee. Isakowitz earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in aerospace engineering from MIT.

# **ALAN JACKSON**

Chief Culinary Officer Lemonade Restaurant Group

Alan Jackson founded Lemonade, a group of fast-casual restaurants throughout California, in 2008. He and his wife, co-founder Heidi, created a chef-driven, contemporary approach to modern-day comfort food. It now has 28 locations across



California - Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego, and, most recently, San Francisco. He is the author of "The Lemonade Cookbook" (St. Martin's Press), which focuses on his love of fresh, local cuisine. He previously helmed Jackson's and the Farm Beverly Hills.

# MICHAEL O. JOHNSON

**Executive Chairman** Herbalife Ltd.

Michael O. Johnson is executive chairman of Herbalife, having previously served as chief executive. He has played a major role in the company, overseeing all aspects of global operations, ensuring the company has the resources necessary



to meet its goals, and pursues profitability and growth to increase shareholder value. Under his leadership, the company grew to net sales of \$4.5 billion in 2015 from \$1.1 billion in 2003 and built a global brand through its sponsorship of more than 200 teams, athletes, and fitness events, including the LA Galaxy.

# **MICHAEL JONES** Chief Executive

Science Inc.

A longtime entrepreneur and adviser, Michael Jones has spent his career growing businesses ranging from early stage startups to private equity-backed assets to public media companies. He is co-founder and chief executive of Science Inc.,



a company that builds and invests in tech businesses by bringing together the best ideas, talent, resources, and financing through a centralized platform. He has founded, built, and sold more than 30 online and mobile businesses.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working with individuals that have big plans and using what's at my disposal to help them

accomplish their dreams.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

To find and surround yourself with people who have the wholehearted drive, stamina, and ability to make their big dreams a reality.

MOST EXCITED

I'm eager to see what the next 40 years of technical innovation will look like when I reach

my father's age.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Make sure to pre-validate your concept so that it is well-received by your customers.

BS, University of Oregon.

**ALMA MATER BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

Solve a human rights issue

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

I love to travel. Japan.



# **NICK JONES** Chief Executive Soho House & Co.

Nick Jones is founder of Soho House & Co. Having started out as a graduate trainee at Trusthouse Forte, he quickly rose to the role of marketing manager at the Grosvenor House Hotel in Park Lane. Eight years later, his launched his own trio of restaurants and in 1992



opened Cafe Boheme in the center of Soho, London. In 1995, when the Georgian townhouse above Cafe Boheme became available, Jones created Soho House: a private members' club for people in the creative industries. The group has gradually expanded to include 18 houses, as well as restaurants, cinemas, spas, workspaces and a homeware line.

<b>ENJOY</b>	MOST
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I always wanted to be in a job where I get people to have a good time.

### **TOUGHEST CHALLENGE**

I don't see things as obstacles, I see things as temporary obstructions.

### PROUDEST MOMENT

We turned 22 this year and launched our biggest project to date, The Ned.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Keep things simple. People love making things

complicated, and one of the advantages of being dyslexic is that you simplify things, because that's how your brain works.

MOST EXCITED

Expanding Soho House as a global brand is something we feel special about.

**FUN FACT** I'm quite a shy person. My dad said, "He

didn't open his mouth until he was 18, and he

hasn't closed it since."

**BEVERAGE** 

You can't go wrong with a good Negroni. I like mine strong and made with Nardini Amaro

instead of Campari.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

VW Golf.

# PETER KIM Chief Executive

**Hudson Jeans** 

With an ever-growing collection of tattoos with a penchant for surfing, MMA training, and yoga, Peter Kim's tenacious spirit and unorthodox style of leadership have made for both a successful entrepreneur and a dedicated philanthropist. He



founded Hudson Jeans, ultimately building a brand of jeans with his own image, unique in to the industry. In his professional and personal life, Kim offers a straightforward message: We all can do our part to progress the world around us and we can have fun while doing it.

# STEFAN KOZAK

Chief Executive Red Bull North America Inc.

Stefan Kozak has been the chief executive of Red Bull North America Inc. since July 2010. Previously, Kozak worked at Latin American Coca-Cola anchor bottler Panamerican Beverages Inc. in Brazil. Kozak has also served as head



coach of Canada and Latin America. He is a member of the American Beverage Association board.

# **CLAY LACY**

Chairman Lacy Aviation

Clay Lacy founded his eponymous company Clay Lacy Aviation in the 1960s as the first jet charter and executive jet management company on the West Coast, now distinguished as one of the most experienced operator of private jets



in the world. Lacy has flown more than 300 aircraft types, logged more than 50,000 flight hours, and accumulated more miles flying jet aircraft than anyone else on Earth. Growing up in Wichita, Kan. – known as the air capital of the world – Lacy began flying at age 12.

# **BRIAN LEE**

Principal Bam Ventures

Entrepreneur Brian Lee has had his hands in a multitude of successful endeavors. He launched Honest Co. alongside Jessica Alba in 2012 with a mission to sell products that are effective, safe, accessible, and responsible. The company generated



more than \$300 million in sales in 2016. Previously, Lee co-founded LegalZoom in 2001 and launched ShoeDazzle in 2008. Formerly an attorney with Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom, he was also a manager at Deloitte & Touche. He is an advisory board member for the Lowell Milken Institute of Business Law and Policy

# **LEE MAEN** Partner

Innovative Dining Group

In 1996, Lee Maen and three business partners developed the first Sushi Roku on Third Street in Los Angeles, which now has additional concepts including BOA Steakhouse and Katana. Maen sits on numerous industry panels, including the Aspen



Food and Wine Festival. He is a member of the board of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce and the board that manages the Sunset Strip Business Improvement District. He is also a member of the Santa Monica Bay Chapter of YPO.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Building a place for people to come and

escape, celebrate, and socialize.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Work hard, never give up, and make lots of friends

MOST EXCITED **FUN FACT ALMA MATER**  Opening Katana in Chicago this winter. I didn't say a word until my fifth birthday party. Bachelor's, UCLA; MBA, Anderson School of

Management.

BUCKET LIST

Fly a plane by myself.

**BEVERAGE** 

Tequila (on the rocks with a lemon twist).

# **NOBU MATSUHISA**

**Executive Chef** Nobu

Nobuyuki Matsuhisa - known to the world simply as "Nobu" – is the chef proprietor of Nobu and Matsuhisa restaurants, located across five continents. Born and raised in Saitama, Japan, Nobu served a rigorous apprenticeship at a respected



sushi bar in Tokyo and then worked around the world including Peru and Argentina, before finally settling in Los Angeles. Nobu opened his first restaurant in the United States, Matsuhisa, in Beverly Hills in January 1987. He currently has an expanding roster of 32 restaurants in 28 different cities around the world. He partnered with Larry Ellison and Robert DeNiro to open the Nobu Ryokan Malibu hotel in April 2017.

# **ILSE METCHEK**

President California Fashion Association

Ilse Metchek, president of the California Fashion Association, created the organization in 1994 with assistance from the major financial and manufacturing participants of the region's apparel industry. She served as executive director of the



California Market Center, and before that was president of White Stag, a division of Warnaco Industries. She is a member of the boards of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corp., Vernon Chamber of Commerce, and Woodbury University, and is president of Image Makers L.A.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Meeting with the specialists in every aspect that is relevant to my industry, and embracing the amazing, almost daily, changes. Keeping up with the technology that is

MOST EXCITED

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

changing the way we do business. The speed of change makes everything exciting, albeit dangerous for some.

**BEVERAGE ALMA MATER FUN FACT BUCKET LIST CAR YOU DRIVE** 

BS, New York University. My alter-ego dances all the time. The Hermitage in St. Petersburg.

Lexus. HOBBY/PASSION

Salsa dancina.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

San Jose del Cabo, Mexico.

### TOSHIAKI MIKOSHIBA Chief Executive

American Honda Motor Co.

Toshiaki Mikoshiba is the president and chief executive of American Honda Motor Co., president and chief executive of Honda North America Inc., and a senior managing officer and chief operating officer of North American Regional Operations



for Honda Motor Co. Mikoshiba joined Honda in 1980. He played a major role in the creation of a state-of-the-art vehicle allocation system called Market Oriented Vehicle Environment that launched in 1997 and was awarded a U.S. Patent. Mikoshiba became an operating officer of Honda Motor Co. in 2008, the year he moved to Europe as executive vice president and director of Honda Motor Europe Ltd. He then became president and director of Honda Motor Russia. In April 2015, he became a senior managing officer of Honda Motor Co.

# **ADAM MILLER** Chief Executive

Cornerstone OnDemand

Adam Miller is founder and chief executive of personnel management software firm Cornerstone OnDemand. He started the company in 1999 and today it is one of the largest cloud computing companies in the world, with more than 25



million users across 191 countries. Prior to founding Cornerstone, Miller served time as an investment banker and consultant. He is chairman of the Cornerstone OnDemand Foundation and Team Rubicon. He led the establishment of nonprofit Food Allergy Research & Education and serves on its executive board. He is on the board of Mindbody, provider of business management software for the wellness services industry.

# SEAN MORIARTY

Chief Executive Leaf Group

Sean Moriarty serves as Leaf Group's chief executive and a member of its board. He was previously the chief executive of Saatchi Art, which Leaf Group acquired in August 2014, and president and chief executive of Ticketmaster, where he also served



on the board. Moriarty held positions of increasing responsibility during his tenure at Ticketmaster, including executive vice president, technology, and chief operating officer. He sits on several private company boards of directors, including Eventbrite and TuneIn, and is also actively involved in nonprofit work with CoachArt and the Pat Tillman Foundation.

# **DAVID MURDOCK**

Chairman Dole Food Co.

David H. Murdock is chairman of Dole Food Co. Inc., the world's largest producer and marketer of fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, and fresh-cut flowers. He initially joined Dole as chairman and chief executive in July 1985, and



continued as its chief executive until June 2007. He was re-appointed chief executive in February 2013, a position he held until April 2017. Murdock has controlled all of the stock of Dole, which filed for a \$100 million IPO in April 2017, since November 2013. He has been chairman and chief executive of Castle & Cooke since October 1995 and has been its controlling shareholder since September 2000. He has been chairman and chief executive of Flexi-Van Leasing Inc. since June 1982. Murdock is the owner-developer of numerous real estate developments and is the owner of Castle & Cooke Mortgage.

# **BLAKE MYCOSKIE**

Partner Toms Shoes

As founder and "chief shoe giver" of Toms Shoes, entrepreneur Blake Mycoskie has played a profound role in the company's giving of 60 million pairs of shoes to children since 2006. His solution to the problem of the hardships faced by children



growing up without shoes was simple yet revolutionary: to create a for-profit business that was sustainable and not reliant on donations. Mycoskie's vision turned into Toms Shoes, which follows his One for One business model of helping a person in need with every product purchased. Its success inspired Mycoskie's best-selling book, "Start Something That Matters," about the power of incorporating giving in business. Before founding Toms in Playa del Rey, Blake, a Texas native, started five businesses.

# **JASON LAWRENCE** NAZAR

Chief Executive Comparably

Jason is an active tech entrepreneur, investor, writer, and chief executive of Comparably, the online platform to understand workplace compensation and culture. Before Comparably, Jason founded



Docstoc, the largest content site to help small business. Docstoc was one of the most visited websites in the world and grew to over 50 million members before it was acquired by Intuit in 2013. Jason also created and hosts Startups Uncensored, the longest-running and most widely attended technology gathering in SoCal. He is the entrepreneur in residence for the city of Los Angeles, appointed by Mayor Garcetti and serves on the boards of Carelinx, Collab Studios, and Flo.

**ALMA MATERS** 

BA, University of California, Santa Barbara; JD, MBA, Pepperdine University.

# **WOLFGANG PUCK**

**Chief Executive** Wolfgang Puck Enterprises

Wolfgang Puck built a culinary empire that encompasses three separate entities: Wolfgang Puck Fine Dining Group, Wolfgang Puck Catering, and Wolfgang Puck Worldwide Inc. Born in Austria, Puck came to Los Angeles in 1975



and garnered the attention of the Hollywood elite – first as chef and eventually part owner of Ma Maison and then by creating his first flagship restaurant, Spago, in 1982. Other restaurant openings followed, from Atlantic City, N.J., to Maui, Hawaii, and he expanded his businesses to catering, housewares, and consumer products. His syndicated newspaper column, "Wolfgang Puck's Kitchen," reaches more than 5.3 million people each week.

# LYNDA RESNICK

Vice Chair Wonderful Co.

Lynda Resnick is vice chair and co-owner, along with her husband, Stewart, of Wonderful Co. Every year, nearly half of all American households purchase the Wonderful Co.'s products that are aimed at inspiring healthier choices with wholesome foods that



nourish naturally. They include juice company POM Wonderful, water bottling company Fiji Water, and others. She runs worldwide marketing and product development for the company and all of its brands. In 2015, she ranked No. 11 among Forbes' inaugural Top 50 Most Successful Self-Made Women in America. She is a major donor to and board vice chair of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and a member of the Milken Foundation executive board.

# STEWART RESNICK

Chief Executive Wonderful Co.

Stewart founded the Wonderful Co., which includes both global agricultural operations and wellknown consumer-facing brands, with his wife, Lynda. The privately held multibillion-dollar global company includes juice company



POM Wonderful, water bottling company Fiji Water, and others. It is focused on bringing consumers the freshest, highest-quality products. Resnick sits on the boards of UCLA Medical Sciences, the J. Paul Getty Trust, and Caltech. He is also an advisory board member of UCLA's Anderson School of Management. He and his wife have made impactful contributions to various educational initiatives.

# RICK ROSENFIELD

Co-Chief Executive Flax & Rosenfield Capital Partners

Rick Rosenfield is co-founder of Flax & Rosenfield Capital Partners. He co-founded California Pizza Kitchen in 1985 with Larry Flax. Over the course of two decades, Rosenfield played a key role in developing CPK into one of the world's most



well-known restaurant companies, serving as co-president and cochief executive from 1985 to 1986, and again from 2003 to 2011. He has been co-chairman since the company's formation. Under his leadership, CPK grew from one restaurant in Beverly Hills into a global brand of more than 250 domestic and international restaurants. From 1973 to 1985, he was a principal and partner of the law firm Flax & Rosenfield Inc., a private law firm. From 1969 to 1973, he Rosenfield served as an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice. Rosenfield also sits on the board of Callaway Golf Co. and is the longest tenured member, serving since 1994.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Recreating a company culture based on the culture we built at CPK: "ROCK" (Respect, Opportunity, Communication, Kindness). Starting a business 30 years ago as former

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

federal prosecutors without specific

restaurant experience. **BEST ADVICE** It's about the people. Choose partners and

employees who share your vision and ethics. MOST EXCITED Starting from scratch. Having to build a whole new infrastructure but still based upon the

ROCK culture.

**ALMA MATER** JD, DePaul University College of Law **BUCKET LIST** Still have some international travel spots to see. **BEVERAGE** HOBBY/PASSION Golf, fishing, shooting sports.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Italy.

# STEVEN F. ROTH

Co-Chief Executive World Oil Corp.

Steven F. Roth manages World Oil's extensive real estate assets throughout California, including marine terminals and large infill development sites. Founded by his father, Bernard Roth, in 1938, World Oil is one of California's largest privately held



companies. Prior to joining World Oil, Roth was one of the original founding partners of Creative Artists Agency and served as vice chairman of the board of International Creative Management. He was also partner of the literary firm Zeigler Disktan and Roth, and produced several motion pictures, including "Scrooged," "Gladiator," and "Last Action Hero." Roth is a strong supporter of inner-city L.A. charities.

# **VICTORIA RUSNAK**

Chief Executive Rusnak Auto Group

Victoria Rusnak took over as chief executive and president of Rusnak Auto Group in 2013, which was founded by father, Paul, more than 50 years ago. It began with a Triumph dealership, expanding to a Chrysler-Plymouth facility, and eventually



growing to become a network of luxury auto dealers. Rusnak now oversees the 17 dealerships in Southern California. She spent much of her childhood at the dealership where her father worked and became hooked on the auto industry upon selling her first car at age 18. Rusnak completed the National Automobile Dealers Association Dealer Academy in 2006 and is now one of the most prominent female executives in the auto industry.

# **SUNNY SASSOON**

**Executive Chairman** Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf

Sunny Sassoon is executive chairman of Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, founded in 1963 in Brentwood. The business was sold in 1996 to Sassoon and his brother, Victor. It has grown to become an international brand, with more than 1,000 company-owned



and franchised stores both nationally and internationally.

# **GWYNN SHOTWELL**

President and Chief Operating Officer Space Exploration Technologies Inc.

Gwynne Shotwell is president and chief operating officer of SpaceX, a corporation founded in 2000 that designs, manufactures, and launches advanced spacecraft and rockets for government and commercial customers. She



started as the company's vice president of business development in 2002. Shotwell began her career in 1988 at the El Segundo Research Center of Aerospace Corp., where she worked in the realm of military space research and development, specifically in thermal analysis. She then went to work for the rocket-builder Microcosm. She received a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mathematics from Northwestern University.

# **NANCY SILVERTON**

Co-Owner Osteria Mozza, Pizzeria Mozza

Nancy Silverton founded the world-renowned La Brea Bakery as well as Campanile Restaurant, a Los Angeles institution. She is the co-owner of Osteria Mozza and Pizzeria Mozza, with outposts in Los Angeles, Newport Beach,



San Diego, and Singapore, as well as Mozza2Go and Chi Spacca in Los Angeles. Silverton has worked with some of the nation's most notable chefs, including in the kitchens of Jonathan Waxman at Michael's Restaurant and Wolfgang Puck at Spago. Silverton is the author of more than 10 cookbooks. She has received the highest honor given by the James Beard Foundation for "Outstanding Chef" and has been spotlighted in numerous media feature including "Chef's Table" in 2017.

# **ERROLL SOUTHERS**

Professor of the Practice of Governance USC

Erroll G. Southers, a former FBI Special Agent, is professor of the practice of governance and director of Homegrown Violent Extremism Studies in the Safe Communities Institute of the Sol Price School of Public Policy at USC. He



is also director of International Programs for the Department of Homeland Security National Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events. Southers was President Barack Obama's first nominee for Transportation Security Administration Assistant Secretary and served as Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's Deputy Director for Critical Infrastructure of the California Office of Homeland Security. He served as assistant chief of Homeland Security and Intelligence at the Los Angeles World Airports Police Department, and was a Santa Monica Police Department officer. Southers is also managing director of the Counter-Terrorism and Infrastructure Protection Division for TAL Global Corp., an international security consulting firm.

**ENJOY MOST** The opportunity to contribute to the education

of the next generation of those responsible for

national and homeland security.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** The realization that we cannot be all things

to all people, but wanting to assist as many

people as possible. Earning my doctorate.

PROUDEST MOMENT MOST EXCITED

The unlimited opportunities that continue to present themselves in the area of

counterterrorism and radicalization.

**BEST ADVICE** Treat everyone with respect, regardless

of their title.

**BEVERAGE** Sparkling water.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Audi.

**ALMA MATERS** Bachelor's Brown University; MPA, University

of Southern California; PhD, University of

Southern California.

**FUN FACT** I earned my degree in biology and briefly

attended medical school.

**BUCKET LIST** Dive the Great Barrier Reef. HOBBY/PASSION Cycling.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** France.

# **EVAN SPIEGEL**

Chief Executive Snap Inc.

Evan Spiegel co-founded the popular Snapchat video and image mobile app in 2011 and led its parent company, Snap, to an IPO in early 2017. The idea began as a class project at Stanford University and has evolved into a mix of private



messaging and public content, including brand networks, publications, and live events such as sports and music. In his mid-20s, he is known to be one of the world's youngest billionaires.

# JOACHIM SPLICHAL

Chef Patina Restaurant Group

Patina Restaurant Group chef and founder Joachim Splichal was born and raised in a small village in Germany. He traveled to Holland, Sweden, Canada, Switzerland, and France to perfect his culinary skills and work in the hospitality industry.



Splichal opened his flagship Patina in Los Angeles in 1989. In 2000, with 11 restaurants and a catering arm, he sold Patina Restaurant Group. Six years later, he and partner Nick Valenti bought back PRG. Delaware North Corp. has owned PRG since 2014, with Splichal and Valenti at the helm.

**ENJOY MOST** 

MOST EXCITED

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Being able to be around and serve customers; being part of such a great team nationwide. When the financial crisis hit we had to make a

large number of personnel cuts to be able to

get us through the situation.

PROUDEST MOMENT My proudest moment is when my twin boys

Nicolas and Stephane were born. The future development of a small winery

located in the South of France.

**BEST ADVICE** Have a very good business plan, working

> capital for two years, and a great lease. A delicious new Rosé that's new to market,

called Domaine de Cala from Brignoles, France.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** BMW Z8.

**BEVERAGE** 

**FUN FACT** I'm an avid tennis player and skier.

**BUCKET LIST** To go sky diving!

HOBBY/PASSION My passion is wine and my hobby is black &

white photography.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Europe, specifically France.

# **RONALD D. SUGAR**

Former Chairman and Chief Executive Northrop Grumman Corp.

Ronald Sugar has stayed active in business since retiring in 2010 as chairman and chief executive of global security and defense company Northrop Grumman Corp. He is a board member of Chevron, Air Lease Corp., Amgen



Inc., and Apple Inc. Sugar is a senior adviser to various businesses and organizations, including Ares Management, a leading private investment firm; the World 50, which enables peer-to-peer exchanges for current and former senior executives from some of the world's largest companies; and Bain & Co., the global consulting firm. He has also been involved with various nonprofit organizations including Boys & Girls Clubs of America and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association.

# **MIKE SULLIVAN**

President LACarGuy

Mike Sullivan is president and owner of the LACarGuy family of dealerships, a group of dealerships and a state-of-the art body shop. Sullivan began his automotive career in 1976 at his father's Volkswagen dealership in Santa Monica, working



his way up through the ranks to eventually lead the family business and expand it from one dealership to more than 12. The LACarGuy enterprise is active in local environmental programs and initiatives. It was the first automotive dealer in the country to offer electric charging stations at its dealerships.

### JOHN TU Chief Executive Kingston Technology Corp.

Kingston Technology has grown to be the world's largest independent manufacturer of computer memory products. It employs more than 3,000 people worldwide. The firm was named one of the "Best Companies to Work for in America"



by Fortune magazine, with a corporate culture focused on respect, loyalty, flexibility, and integrity. It all started in 1987, when Kingston entered the market with a single product. Co-founders

John Tu and David Sun fulfilled a severe shortage of surface mount memory chips with a memory module that would serve to redefine industry standards for years. Tu and Sun previously co-founded Camintonn Corp.

# STEVEN UDVAR-HAZY

**Executive Chairman** Air Lease Corp.

Steven Udvar-Hazy is credited with creating the airplane leasing industry. His first leasing company, International Lease Finance Corp., was sold to AIG in 1990 for \$1.3 billion. Air Lease Corp., which went public in 2011, purchases



new commercial aircraft through direct orders from Boeing, Airbus, Embraer, and ATR, and leases them to its airline customers worldwide. Udvar-Hazy transitioned to the role of executive chairman at the company in July 2016 after serving as its chief executive and chairman since its founding in 2010. A certified jet pilot, Udvar-Hazy has given about \$100 million to Stanford University, where his children went to college. He has donated \$66 million to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center.

# THOMAS E. VICE Corporate Vice President Northrop Grumman Corp.

Thomas E. Vice is corporate vice president of Northrop Grumman Corp. His most recent role was president of its Aerospace Systems sector. He is a member of the company's corporate policy council and was previously corporate vice



president and president of Northrop Grumman's Technical Services sector, a recognized leader in integrated logistics and modernization, defense and government services, and training solutions. Vice led businesses at more than 300 locations in all 50 states and 29 countries, supporting a diverse customer base, including the U.S. departments of Defense, Energy, Homeland Security, State, the Interior, as well as NASA. He is on the boards of the Florida Institute of Technology, Purdue University's School of Astronautics and Aeronautics, and the USO.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Having a profound impact on the world and our community.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

The odds probably seemed against me that I would be in the position I am today. I was born to a 17-vear-old single mother.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The birth of my two daughters; my life with my wife, Kim; the Northrop Grumman family; and to have been able to contribute to our great country, and to all of humanity.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Be a visionary, inspire others to do bold things, stay disciplined to achieve the goals you and your team have established. Hmm, is this a test? Water!

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE** 

I love when flawless engineering, exacting performance, machines that enhance human performance, and extraordinary beauty all come together. I drive a Porsche!

**ALMA MATER FUN FACT BUCKET LIST**  BS, University of Southern California. It took me 13 years to graduate from college! To take a vacation on the moon. Better yet, to

create the company that builds that vacation destination on the moon.

HOBBY/PASSION

Being with my family, scuba diving, running, cycling, reading.

# PHILLIP A. WASHINGTON

Chief Executive Los Angeles County Metropolitan **Transportation Authority** 

Phillip A. Washington oversees an agency that transports 1.4 million passengers on an average weekday, riding on a fleet of 2,000 clean-



air buses and six rail lines. He was unanimously elected as chief executive of Metro in 2015. Washington came to Los Angeles from Denver's Regional Transportation District, where he was named chief executive in 2009. Originally from Chicago, Washington is a 24-year active duty veteran of the Army, where he held the rank of command sergeant major, the highest noncommissioned rank an enlisted person can achieve

# **GEORGE WHITESIDES**

Chief Executive Virgin Galactic and Spaceship Co.

George Thomas Whitesides is responsible for guiding all aspects of building what is planned to be the world's first commercial space line, including Virgin Galactic's spaceflight program and its launch capability for small satellites. This



also includes oversight of Spaceship Co., its sister company. Prior to Virgin Galactic, Whitesides served as chief of staff for NASA. Upon departure from NASA, he received the Distinguished Service Medal, the highest award the agency confers. Whitesides is on Caltech's Space Innovation Council, is a fellow of the U.K. Royal Aeronautical Society, and has served on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Space Security.

# RICHARD R. YUSE

Vice President Raytheon Co.

Richard Yuse is president of Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems and a Raytheon Co. vice president. Yuse joined Raytheon in 1976 and has held positions of increasing responsibility on a variety of programs, with assignments



ranging from flight test director to program manager. Prior to his roles at RTSC, he was vice president of Integrated Air Defense for Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems, where he was responsible for all air defense programs within IDS for a variety of domestic and international customers. Before leading Integrated Air Defense, Yuse was vice president of IDS' Missile Defense business. Yuse earned

both his bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from Northeastern University, where he is now a member of the university's board.

> **ENJOY MOST** Raytheon's powerful mission and purpose

has translated into challenging and interesting

opportunities.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Being successful in an industry that's focused on

innovation and serving our nation's armed forces. PROUDEST MOMENT When we surprised a lot of people by winning

a very significant U.S. Navy program called the

Next Generation Jammer.

**BEST ADVICE** Be curious. Stay engaged. Demonstrate a high

level of initiative. Dive in and work hard.

**BEVERAGE** A hot cup or two of decaf. When my schedule allows, you might find me with a glass of

Argentinian Malbec.

CAR YOU DRIVE A 1990 BMW 325 IS and a 1997 Land Rover

D90 LE. Will never give either of them up.

**ALMA MATER** Bachelor's and Master's, Northeastern

University.

**FUN FACT** I used to really be into hydroplane racing.

**BUCKET LIST** Flying a P-51 Mustang.

HOBBY/PASSION Furniture, house/car rebuilding and restoration,

astrophysics, and occasional attempts at

surfing and photography.

# **HEMI (NEHEMIA) ZUCKER**

Chief Executive J2 Global Inc.

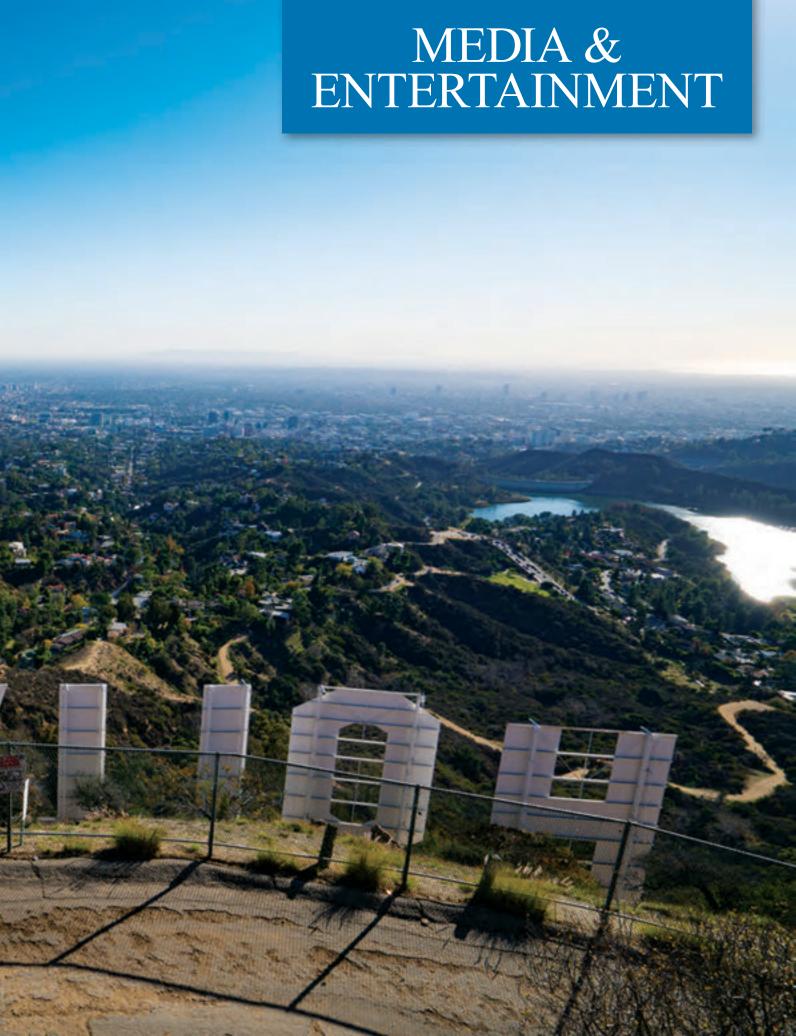
Hemi Zucker is chief executive of J2 Global and is responsible for all of the internet service and media company's operations and internal matters. He joined the co-founders of J2 Global in 1996, and served as the



company's chief marketing officer until May 2003. He has also served as chief financial officer and chief operating officer. Prior to joining J2 Global, Hemi spent 16 years working in finance and operations at various divisions of Motorola Inc.







# J.J. ABRAMS Chief Executive **Bad Robot Productions**

J.J. Abrams is founder and chief executive of film and TV production company Bad Robot Productions, which he runs with Bryan Burk. Formed in 2001, the Santa Monica company is behind movie blockbusters such as "Star Wars: The



Force Awakens," "Star Trek Beyond," and "Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol." It is responsible for hit TV shows such as "Westworld," "Lost," "Alias," "Fringe," and "Person of Interest." Born in New York, Abrams was raised in Los Angeles, the son of TV producer Gerald W. Abrams and executive producer Carol Ann Abrams.

# DAVID ANGELO Chairman David&Goliath

David Angelo founded the independent creative agency David&Goliath in 1999. He started his career in 1989 at DDB New York, later served as a vice president at TBWA\Chiat\Day New York, and eventually joined Cliff Freeman &



Partners as executive vice president and executive creative director. Angelo, an Advertising Federation Hall of Achievement inductee, has garnered more than 400 of the industry's most prestigious awards, including Cannes Lions, One Show Pencils, Clios, Effie Awards, and Los Angeles' Entrepreneur of the Year.

# TYRA BANKS Chief Executive Tyra Banks Co.

Tyra Banks has been successful in the fields of modeling, producing, hosting, and acting. She started modeling in her teens and became the first African-American woman to be featured on the cover of the Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition. In the



early '90s, she acted in "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" and continued acting in films such as "Coyote Ugly" and TV shows such as "Gossip Girl." She created and presented the reality TV show "America's Next Top Model" in 2003. She later had her own talk show, "The Tyra Banks Show," which aired for five seasons on the CW. In 2017, she replaced Nick Cannon on "America's Got Talent." She has lectured at Stanford University on the topic of self-branding and has been an advocate for female empowerment.

# **BRANDON BECK** Co-Chief Executive **Riot Games**

Brandon Beck, a USC graduate, helped establish Riot Games in 2006 with the goal of bringing gamer's games to players all around the globe. The company is



passionate about its audience and aspires to be the most player- and community-focused game company in the world. It is best known for "League of Legends," a multiplayer online battle game that has 67 million players every month, 27 million every day, and more than 7.5 million playing at the same time during each day's peak play time. Riot sold a majority stake to Tencent Holdings in 2011. The Chinese firmed upped its stake to 93 percent before buying the balance in December 2015.

# **ALAN BERGMAN**

President Walt Disney Studios

As president of Walt Disney Studios, Alan Bergman is responsible for the distribution of the studios' motion pictures across theatrical, home entertainment, pay-TV, digital, and other windows. Additionally, Bergman oversees franchise



management, business affairs, finance, legal, labor relations, technology, and studio operations as well as the Disneynature film label. Bergman joined the company in 1996 as a director in the corporate controllership group and went on to hold various senior roles before he was named president of Walt Disney Studios in 2005. He has a bachelor's degree in business economics from UCLA.

# TODD BOEHLY

Chairman and Chief Executive Eldridge Industries

Todd L. Boehly is chairman and chief executive of Eldridge Industries, a private holding company that manages its capital across a diverse portfolio of businesses across several industries. He is also the controlling member and founder



at the firm. Prior to Eldridge, Boehly was president of Guggenheim Partners, where he launched Guggenheim's credit investing business and later assumed responsibilities for the asset management business. Eldridge's holdings include Dick Clark Productions, The Hollywood Reporter and Billboard magazine, Draft Kings, a stake in SBE, real estate, and insurance. Boehly has a minority stake in the Los Angeles Dodgers. He received his B.B.A. from the College of William & Mary and studied at the London School of Economics.

# **JOHN BOILER** Creative Co-Chair

72andSunny

John Boiler sets the vision at 72andSunny, the full-service ad company he founded. He uses his wealth of experience to develop culturally impactful creative platforms for some of the world's most iconic brands, including



Activision, Samsung, Google, Carl's Jr., Target, and Bugaboo. Previously executive creative director of Wieden+Kennedy in Amsterdam, he is a designer by trade. Boiler strives to build a culture of collaboration and an ego-free environment at his workplace.

# **KAREN BRODKIN**

**Executive Vice President, Content Strategy** & Partnerships WME I IMG

Karen Brodkin is executive vice president, content strategy and partnerships at WME | IMG, overseeing business affairs across IMG's events, media, college, golf, tennis, performance, IMG



Academy, clients, consulting, licensing, and joint-venture business areas. Brodkin was previously executive vice president of business and legal affairs at Fox Sports Media Group. She was part of the team that launched the Big Ten Network in August 2007 and launched Fox Sports 1 in August 2013 in more than 70 million homes. She began her career as a corporate attorney specializing in labor and employment. She chairs the board of the Los Angeles Sports Council and is on the board at L.A. Family Housing.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

The perception that my skill set is somehow limited by my legal degree and background. PROUDEST MOMENT Watching my son (age 9) achieve his goals. MOST EXCITED Continuing to be part of the global strategic vision of IMG. That and my son's summer

**BEST ADVICE** 

Work hard, be nimble and fearless, and surround yourself with a smart/talented team.

Contributing to corporate vision and strategy.

**BEVERAGE** 

Skinny margarita on the rocks with salt; unsweetened iced tea.

**ALMA MATERS** 

BA, Berkeley; JD, University of California,

Hastings College of Law

tournament baseball schedule.

**BUCKET LIST** 

Attend the White House Correspondents'

Dinner (political junkie).

HOBBY/PASSION?

Right now, my Peloton bike at 5 a.m.

# STEPHEN B. BURKE Chief Executive

**NBCUniversal** 

Stephen B. Burke oversees NBCUniversal's portfolio of news, sports, and entertainment networks; a motion picture company; significant TV production operations; a TV stations group; and theme parks. Burke assumed his role in January



2011, upon Comcast Corp. and General Electric merging the assets of NBC Universal with Comcast's programming assets. He previously served as chief operating officer of Comcast.

# TROY CARTER Chairman and Chief Executive Atom Factory

As a digital and social entrepreneur, Troy Carter has influenced the careers of numerous recording artists, including Lady Gaga. Carter began his career in Philadelphia working for Will Smith and James Lassiter's



Overbrook Entertainment; in 1995, he joined Bad Boy Entertainment, where he worked with disruptors such as Notorious B.I.G. In 1999, Carter formed boutique talent management company Erving Wonder, which was acquired by the Sanctuary Group in 2004. He founded Atom Factory in 2010. In 2011, to focus the potential of distributed internet networks, Carter co-founded Backplane, which unites people around affinities, interests, and movements. The following year, Carter incorporated A \ IDEA, a product development and branding agency, as well as AF Square, an angel fund and technology consultancy.

# PETER CHERNIN

Chairman and Chief Executive Chernin Group

The Chernin Group is a privately held independent media holding company founded by Peter Chernin. TCG has built, managed, operated, and invested in businesses in the media, entertainment, and technology sectors around the



world since 2010. TCG's assets include Chernin Entertainment, which produces feature films and TV programs, and a majority stake in Hong Kong-based CA Media, which builds, manages, and operates media, entertainment, and technology businesses across Asia. Providence Equity Partners, Qatar Holding, and Chengwei Capital are among the strategic partners of and investors in TCG. TCG is also a joint-venture partner, with AT&T, in Otter Media, whose holdings include Fullscreen and Crunchyroll. Prior to forming TCG, Chernin was president and chief operating officer at News Corp. and 21st Century Fox Inc. He was chief executive of Fox Entertainment Group Inc. until 2009. During his tenure, he led Fox Filmed Entertainment to the No. 1 ranking in box-office performance and personally green-lit and oversaw production of the two highestgrossing motion pictures in history, "Avatar" and "Titanic." Before joining News Corp., he was president and chief operating officer at Lorimar Film Entertainment.

# **TED CHERVIN**

Partner **ICM Partners** 

Ted Chervin is a founding partner and board member at ICM Partners, a talent and literary agency representing clients in the fields of motion pictures, TV, publishing, music, theater, branded entertainment, and digital media. He oversees



the day-to-day operations of the television division's talent, literary, international format, packaging, and business affairs units. Chervin joined ICM in 2006 after the acquisition of the Broder Webb Chervin Silbermann literary agency. Prior to his tenure at Broder Webb, he served as an assistant U.S. attorney in New York, investigating and trying felony criminal cases in the federal system. He is on the board of the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Foundation.

Marrying my wife, Anna.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The volume and variety of daily challenges, the privilege of serving as an advocate and adviser for artists and other clients.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Leaving my job as a federal prosecutor in New York and starting over to work in the entertainment business as an agent.

PROUDEST MOMENT

THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES

MOST EXCITED Continuing to work with incredibly talented

clients while also helping contribute to the growth and success of ICM Partners.

**BEST ADVICE** Work hard, keep learning, value relationships,

be humble, be honest, expect and find a way to handle and recover from adversity, tolerate

uncertainty, and embrace change.

BA. Amherst College: JD. Harvard Law School. **ALMA MATERS** 

**BUCKET LIST** A round of golf at Augusta.

# **ELIZABETH M. DALEY**

**USC School of Cinematic Arts** 

Elizabeth M. Daley was appointed dean of the USC School of Cinematic Arts in May 1991. She joined the school in 1989 as chair of the Film & Television Production Program. Previously, Daley was founding executive director of



the USC Annenberg Center for Communication. Before coming to USC, she served as director of the film and television subsidiary of the Mark Taper Forum, and prior to that was a producer for MGM/ Television. Daley, who has worked as an independent producer and media consultant, serves on the boards of Avid Technologies; the Benton Foundation; and the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Media, Entertainment and Information.

# JUSTIN DEARBORN

Chief Executive and Director trone Inc.

Justin Dearborn was appointed chief executive of tronc, owner of the Los Angeles Times, in February 2016. Prior to tronc, he served as chief executive of Merge Healthcare. During his tenure, Dearborn led the company through a period of



transformation and sustainable growth. Merge was acquired by IBM in October 2015 in a \$1 billion transaction. Before joining Merge, Dearborn served as managing director and general counsel at Merrick Ventures, led by tronc Chairman Michael Ferro, and in various executive senior management positions for Click Commerce Inc.

# **ELLEN DEGENERES**

Host and Executive Producer 'The Ellen DeGeneres Show'

Ellen DeGeneres is an actress, comedian, and entertainment pioneer, who branched out from standup comedy to her work today on television, in film, and in the literary world. She has made a home for herself in the daytime arena with her



hit syndicated talk show, "The Ellen DeGeneres Show." During its 13 seasons, the show has earned 38 Daytime Emmys. DeGeneres has been included on Time's 100 Most Influential People list and was also included in Entertainment Weekly's 50 Most Powerful Entertainers.

# **CHRIS DEWOLFE**

Chief Executive Jam City

Chris DeWolfe is chief executive of Jam City, a mobile-game studio formerly known as SGN, which was founded in 2010. DeWolfe has built the company responsible for more than a dozen top 10 titles on the iTunes Store and has had more than



700 million installations of its games. DeWolfe was previously a cofounder and chief executive of social network Myspace.

# DR. DRE Principal Aftermath Entertainment

Dr. Dre, whose real name is Andre Romelle Young, at one time coowned hip-hop music label Death Row Records, then later started Aftermath Entertainment, producing top artists such as Snoop Dogg and Eminem. He co-founded Beats



Electronics with record producer Jimmy Iovine in 2008, debuting the company's audio line with the Beats by Dr. Dre Studio headphones. Apple purchased the company in 2014 for \$3 billion. He is featured in the HBO music documentary "The Defiant Ones." A native of Compton, he recently donated \$10 million to the city's high school.

# **RICK EISERMAN**

Chief Executive Trailer Park Inc.

Rick Eiserman holds a dual role as chief executive of Engine North America and Trailer Park. At Engine North America, he drives greater collaboration within the midsize marketing services network that includes Trailer Park, Deep Focus,



and ORC International. He also oversees the operation of marketing agency Trailer Park. Prior to his current roles, Eiserman was North America managing partner at Young & Rubicam Brands, Southern California, and Y&R's Global Client Partner Lead for Land Rover and Mattel. Eiserman began his career at Y&R New York.

# ARIEL EMANUEL Co-Chief Executive

WMF I IMG

Ari Emanuel is co-chief executive of WME | IMG. Operating in more than 25 countries, the company specializes in talent representation and management; brand strategy, activation and licensing; media production, sales, and distribution;



and event management. After co-founding Endeavor in 1995, Emanuel and Co-Chief Executive Patrick Whitesell orchestrated the largest talent agency merger in history in 2009 when they partnered

with William Morris to form WME. In 2014, WME united with IMG, a sports, fashion, media, and events company. Expanding its empire, WME | IMG acquired the UFC in a \$4 billion deal in 2017. Emanuel is an associate member of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences, and sits on the boards of Live Nation and L.A.'s Museum of Contemporary Art. He is a graduate of Macalester College.

**JON FELTHEIMER** Chief Executive Lions Gate Entertainment Corp.

During his more than three-decade entertainment industry career, Jon Feltheimer has held leadership positions at Lions Gate, Sony Pictures Entertainment, and New World Entertainment. He has been responsible for tens of thousands of



hours of TV programming and hundreds of films, including the global blockbuster "Hunger Games" franchise; the launch of the "Divergent" franchise; and Academy Award winners "Crash," "Monster's Ball," and "Precious." He was named chief executive of Lions Gate in March 2000. During his tenure, the company's market capitalization has grown from \$80 million in 2000 to nearly \$4 billion, and its revenue has increased more than 15 times over. In 2016, Lions Gate extended his deal to 2023.

#### RENEE WHITE FRASER

Chief Executive Fraser Communications

Renee Fraser believes in the power of communication. Her firm, Fraser Communications, has handled outreach and marketing campaigns for such clients as Toyota, Southern California Gas Co., Lexus, the United Way, and Loyola Marymount



University. The company received the Internet Advertising Competition's Best Online Ad award for client CSI Thermal and Best Integrated Campaign for client SoCalGas. Fraser has been honored for her many civic leadership contributions, such as sitting on the United Way board and Volunteers of America national board, among other pursuits.

#### ROB FRIEDMAN

Special Adviser Lions Gate Motion Picture Group

Rob Friedman stepped down as co-chairman of Lions Gate's motion picture group in late 2016 to become a special adviser to Chief Executive Jon Feltheimer. Friedman's career in media and entertainment has spanned four decades. As co-chairman of



Lions Gate's film group, he oversaw all aspects of the company's domestic and international feature film acquisition, production, and distribution operations. Prior to joining Lions Gate, Friedman was co-chairman of Summit, an independent worldwide motion picture production and distribution company. Summit launched the blockbuster "Twilight" franchise, whose five films grossed more than \$3.3 billion at the worldwide box office.

#### KIM GETTY President **Deutsch Los Angeles**

Kim Getty joined Deutsch Los Angeles in 2003 and has been instrumental in growing the agency from about 270 to more than 600 staffers - recently becoming the largest agency on the West Coast. Getty has driven the development of new



practice areas at the agency, including experiential marketing; PR; and the multicultural marketing division, DLAtino. Most recently, she was awarded the AAF Mosaic Award for Industry Career Achievement. She is an adjunct professor at USC's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism and sits on the board of the Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of Georgia.

## JIM GIANOPULOS

Chairman and Chief Executive Paramount Studios

Veteran executive Jim Gianopulos became chief executive of Paramount in March 2017. He previously headed 20th Century Fox's movie studio. During his time at Fox, he made such blockbusters as "Avatar," "Life of Pi," and "Deadpool," as well as the



Oscar-winning "12 Years a Slave." He started his career working at Paramount and Lorimar. He serves on the board of the Motion Picture & Television Fund and USC's Entertainment Technology Committee.

#### SAM GORES Chairman

Paradigm Talent Agency

Sam Gores is one of Hollywood's most prominent agents. He founded Paradigm in 1992, a talent agency that has established itself as a leader in the entertainment field, guiding the careers of an elite roster of actors, musical artists, directors, writers,



and producers. Paradigm provides representation to clients across its departments, including motion picture, television, music, comedy, personal appearances, theater, and books, among others.

#### **LUCIAN GRAINGE** Chairman and Chief Executive

Universal Music Group

Lucian Grainge has championed the development of innovative business models and partnerships with a wide range of technology and media partners around the world. He has spent his entire career in the music industry, and has signed and worked



with many worldwide stars, including Elton John, Jay Z, Katy Perry, Queen, the Rolling Stones, and U2. Grainge joined Universal Music in 1986 to launch PolyGram Music Publishing U.K. Within five

years, he had led the fledgling division to become one of the top three publishing companies in the U.K. Since taking the helm of Universal Music Group, he has improved its financial performance by significantly increasing the company's revenue and profitability. Cannes Lions honored him as its 2017 Media Person of the Year.

#### **BRIAN GRAZER**

Imagine Entertainment

Oscar- and Emmy Award-winning producer and New York Times bestselling author Brian Grazer has been making movies and television programs for more than 30 years. He has been nominated for four Academy Awards, and in 2002 he



won Best Picture for "A Beautiful Mind." His movies have generated more than \$13 billion in worldwide theatrical, music, merchandising, and video grosses. Grazer began his career as a producer developing television projects. It was while he was executive-producing TV pilots for Paramount Pictures in the early 1980s that he met longtime friend and business partner Ron Howard. Their collaboration began in 1985 with hit comedies "Night Shift" and "Splash," and in 1986 the two co-founded Imagine Entertainment.

#### **BILL HAGELSTEIN**

Chief Executive

As chief executive and president of RPA, Bill Hagelstein oversees one of the largest independent ad agencies in the country. The firm's client list includes American Honda, the California Department of Public Health, Intuit Small Business, La-



Z-Boy, Farmers Insurance Group, and Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino. RPA's origins came out of the formation of Omnicom in 1986. That company was born with the merger of BBDO, DDB, and Needham Harper, but since Omnicom would house two other car accounts, three was deemed a crowd. RPA came into being, handling clients such as Acura, Honda, and MGM.

#### SARAH HARDEN

President Otter Media

Sarah Harden is president of Otter Media, a joint venture between the Chernin Group and AT&T that manages, invests in, and operates businesses in the media, entertainment, and consumer internet industries. Harden was previously



executive vice president at TCG. Prior to TCG, she was group director of partnerships and development, Asia, at News Corp., where she was responsible for overseeing that company's joint ventures, investments, and growth initiatives in Asia. She began her career at Boston Consulting Group in Melbourne, Australia.

#### **RON HASSE**

President Southern California News Group

Ron Hasse was named president of Southern California News Group in March 2016. He oversees day-to-day strategy and development of SCNG's 11 daily newspapers, websites, weekly publications, magazines, digital products, and social networks



that collectively reach 10 million people a week. Hasse began his career as manager of circulation for the Los Angeles Daily News from 1990 to 1998 and was later promoted to director of circulation and operations and then vice president of nine company properties. He is member of the boards of the Los Angeles County Business Federation, California Newspaper Publishers Association, and Meet Each Need With Dignity.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Seeing and hearing firsthand how our media brands improve people's quality of life.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Bringing a more collaborative and innovative culture to the Southern California News Group, while still maintaining autonomy in news coverage that's unique to each of our daily

publications.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Marrying my wife, Valerie. There's no question I

married up.

MOST EXCITED

**BEST ADVICE** 

Having a voice in creating a locally focused business model that effectively positions us for

long-term profitability and sustainability. Be someone who is driven by opportunity, and confront business challenges with

relentless optimism. Arbonne protein shake.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATER BUCKET LIST** 

BA, Cal State Northridge. Seeing the Northern Lights.

HOBBY/PASSION? Learning about new advances in technology. **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Kauai, Hawaii.

Mercedes.

#### **MIKE HOPKINS** Chief Executive

Mike Hopkins is a media veteran who brings more than two decades of video experience to Hulu, one of the leading premium streaming destinations in the U.S. While president of distribution for Fox Networks, Hopkins oversaw



broadcast distribution as well as the strategy, sales, and marketing for Fox's 45 linear and nonlinear U.S. cable networks. His team also developed many of the television industry's leading authenticated and digital video products, including BTN2Go, FXNow, Fox Sports Go, and Fox Now. Hopkins served as a member of the Hulu board for more than two years prior to being named chief executive. He has also served on the boards of the National Geographic Channel and the Big Ten Network. He previously spent time at both the Weather Channel and Harte Hanks.

#### **ALAN F. HORN** Chairman Walt Disney Studios

As chairman of Walt Disney Studios, Alan Horn oversees worldwide production, distribution, and marketing for live-action and animated films from Disney, Pixar, Marvel, and Lucasfilm, as well as marketing and distribution for



DreamWorks Studios films released under the Touchstone Pictures banner. He also oversees Disney's music and theatrical groups. He has overseen creative executive teams responsible for some of the world's most successful entertainment properties including the "Harry Potter" film franchise and the hit television series "Seinfeld." Prior to joining Disney Studios in 2012, Horn was president and chief operating officer of Warner Bros. Entertainment. In 1987, Horn co-founded Castle Rock Entertainment, where he served as chairman and chief executive. He is a co-founder of the Environmental Media Association and a vice chairman of the Natural Resources Defense Council.

#### ARIANNA HUFFINGTON

Chief Executive Thrive Global

Arianna Huffington is an entrepreneur, columnist, and author. She co-founded the Huffington Post in 2005. The news and blog site quickly became one of the most widely read, linked to, and frequently cited media brands.



It was sold to AOL, and she remained as president and editorin-chief until 2016. In 2012, the site won a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting. She has authored 15 books and serves on numerous boards, including the Center for Public Integrity, Uber Technologies, Onex Corp., and Payoff Inc. She is a trustee of the XPrize Foundation.

## **KEVIN HUVANE**

Partner and Manager Director Creative Artists Agency

Kevin Huvane is a partner and managing director of entertainment and sports agency Creative Artists Agency. In addition to sharing management responsibilities for the agency's overall business, Huvane oversees the company's lifestyle



division, which includes the licensing, commercial endorsements, and speakers departments. Huvane and his partners created the CAA Foundation in 1996 to involve the entertainment community in philanthropy and encourage organizations to lend their support to educational programs. He is a co-chairman of the Entertainment Industry Foundation's National Colorectal Cancer Research Association.

#### **JAMES IOVINE**

Chief Apple Music

Veteran music mogul Jimmy Iovine is one of the music industry's most prominent players. Prior to running Apple's music efforts, he was a longtime music producer and co-founder of Interscope Records. He signed Tupac Shakur as one of



Interscope's first hip-hop acts. He later had a hand in the company's success with artists such as Eminem and Lady Gaga. In 2006, he teamed with Dr. Dre to create Beats Electronics and its popular headphones and other audio equipment. In 2014, Apple purchased the Culver City company for \$3 billion. Iovine and Dr. Dre are the main subjects of the HBO documentary "The Defiant Ones."

#### **JEFFREY KATZENBERG**

Managing Partner WndrCo

Jeffrey Katzenberg launched WndrCo after Comcast Corp. acquired DreamWorks Animation in 2016 in a \$3.8 billion deal. Katzenberg, with Steven Spielberg and David Geffen, co-founded DreamWorks SKG in 1994. It produced a number



of celebrated films, including three Academy Award Best Picture winners - "American Beauty," "Gladiator," and "A Beautiful Mind." In 2004, its DreamWorks Animation was spun off into a separate publicly traded company, with Katzenberg as chief executive. Under his leadership, it became the largest animation studio in the world and released 25 animated features, which enjoyed critical and commercial success. Prior to co-founding DreamWorks, Katzenberg was chairman of Walt Disney Studios.

#### **KATHLEEN KENNEDY**

President Lucasfilm

Eight-time Academy Awardnominated Kathleen Kennedy joined Lucasfilm in 2012. Kennedy has produced or executive produced more than 60 films, which have collectively garnered 120 Academy Award nominations, with 25 wins,



and have grossed more than \$11 billion worldwide. Among her credits are four of the highest-grossing films in motion picture history: "Jurassic Park," "E.T. The Extra Terrestrial," "Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull," and "The Sixth Sense." Prior to joining Lucasfilm, Kennedy headed Kennedy/Marshall Co., which she co-founded in 1992 with director-producer Frank Marshall, and in 1982, she co-founded Amblin Entertainment with Marshall and Steven Spielberg. She sits on the board of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences.

#### JIMMY KIMMEL Host and Executive Producer 'Jimmy Kimmel Live'

Jimmy Kimmel has hosted his live late-night talk show on ABC for 14 seasons. Born in New York and raised in Las Vegas, Kimmel started his career in morning radio. He has produced and hosted numerous shows, including the American



Music Awards, which he has hosted on ABC five times. He co-created and executive-produced the hit MTV2 series "The Andy Milonakis Show" and "Crank Yankers." In addition, he served for four seasons as on-air prognosticator for "Fox NFL Sunday," and co-hosted Comedy Central's long-running game show "Win Ben Stein's Money," for which he received two Emmy nominations and one win for Best Game Show Host in 1999. Kimmel's company, Jackhole Industries, was formed with partners Daniel Kellison and Adam Carolla.

#### **KEVIN LEGRETT** Market President iHeartMedia

Kevin LeGrett is a media executive with more than two decades of experience in the media industry. His work has generated tremendous bottom-line profit growth across all platforms. LeGrett joined iHeartMedia in 2010 as vice



president and market manager for its Rochester, N.Y., market. He became president in 2015, a role in which he oversees operations for a cluster of stations in Los Angeles. Previously as senior vice president for the company, he oversaw more than 220 radio stations and 46 markets of all sizes in the Northeast and Midwest regions.

## ROBERT KOTICK

Chief Executive **Activision Blizzard** 

Over the course of a quarter-century under Bobby Kotick's leadership, Activision Blizzard has grown to become the world's most successful standalone interactive entertainment company. Activision Blizzard reaches more than 500 million users across



almost every country, making it the largest game network in the world. The company's hit titles include the "Call of Duty" and "World of Warcraft' games. Activision Blizzard is a member of the S&P 500. Kotick also serves on the boards of Coca-Cola Co., the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Center for Early Education, and Harvard Westlake School. He is founder and co-chairman of the Call of Duty Endowment, a nonprofit that helps military veterans find high-quality careers and raises awareness of the value they bring to the workplace.

#### **DAVID LINDE** Chief Executive

Participant Media

David Linde is chief executive of Participant Media, a global media company founded in 2004 by Jeff Skoll. Participant's business includes the production, acquisition, and financing of film and digital content that inspires and compels change.



Linde is responsible for leading the company's overall strategy, dayto-day operations, content creation, advocacy, strategic investments, and acquisitions. Participant's efforts include the production, acquisition, and financing of film, TV, and digital content as well as the programming and operation of its television network, Pivot. Linde was chairman of Universal Pictures, and served on the NBCUniversal board and as chair of NBCUniversal's Diversity Council.

#### **ISAAC LARIAN** Chief Executive MGA Entertainment

Isaac Larian is chief executive of MGA Entertainment, a consumer entertainment products company headquartered in Southern California that manufactures proprietary and licensed products including toys and games, dolls, consumer electronics,



home décor, stationery, and sporting goods. Larian and his company have created world-famous and award-winning toys including the line of Bratz dolls. He helped found ABC Electronics in 1982, which changed its name to Micro Games of America in the late 1980s, then shortened its handle to MGA when it shifted from electronic games to dolls in the late 1990s. It acquired Little Tikes in late 2006.

#### **BRYAN LOURD** Partner and Co-Chairman Creative Artists Agency

Bryan Lourd is a partner and co-chairman of Creative Artists Agency. Lourd and his partners are responsible for directing the agency's overall business, including forging areas that create more opportunities and resources for



clients and the company. Lourd represents many of the world's leading actors, actresses, directors, and producers. He sits on the board of InterActiveCorp, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the American Film Institute, and J/P Haitian Relief Organization. Lourd attended USC, earning degrees in journalism and international relations.

#### RICHARD LOVETT

President Creative Artists Agency

Richard Lovett is president of Creative Artists Agency, responsible for directing the agency's overall business, including forging areas that create more opportunities and resources for clients and the company. An advocate for improved



educational programs, he previously taught a weekly class at Venice High School, one of CAA's partner schools, and spearheaded the launch of "School Day," an annual fundraising event benefitting education-based organizations and involving the agency's L.A.; New York; and Nashville, Tenn., offices. Lovett has been honored for his activism, including the Shoah Foundation's Ambassador for Humanity Award. Lovett began his career in the mailroom of CAA before rising through the ranks from agent trainee to agent in the motion picture department. He was appointed president in October 1995.

#### **MICHAEL LYNTON**

Chairman Snap Inc.

Michael Lynton is chairman of technology and social media company Snap Inc. An early investor, he has served on the board since April 2013. He previously served as chairman and chief executive of Sony Pictures Entertainment, managing the



studio's overall global operations, which include motion picture, TV, and digital content production and distribution; home entertainment acquisition and distribution; operation of studio facilities; and the development of entertainment products, services, and technologies. At Sony, Lynton focused on digital transformation, worldwide growth, content diversity, and financial discipline.

#### DAVAN MAHARAJ Editor-in-Chief and Publisher Los Angeles Times Media Group

Davan Maharaj oversees the largest daily news-gathering organization in the West. It includes the flagship Los Angeles Times and LATimes.com; Times Community News, which consists of six suburban daily and weekly newspapers and websites;



and the Spanish-language Hoy and Fin de Semana newspapers and websites. The primary focus of the operation is the Times' newsroom, which consists of staffers who work in Los Angeles as well as foreign and national bureaus. Maharaj, who has been at the Times for more than 28 years, added publisher to his title in March 2016. He was named editor and executive vice president in 2011. Previously, he served as managing editor, a role he assumed in 2008.

#### DAMIAN MAZZOTTA

**Executive Vice President** Business Development, ImpreMedia

Damian Mazzotta is the executive vice president of business development for ImpreMedia, a Hispanic news and information company. Mazzotta formerly ran La Opinión, a Spanishlanguage daily newspaper that reaches 2 million readers monthly in print and

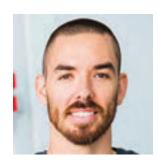


online, and is under the ImpreMedia umbrella. In 2012, La Opinión was awarded Gold for Outstanding Spanish Daily by the National Association of Hispanic Publications. Mazzotta is a graduate of Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and attended Stanford University's Graduate School of Business.

#### MARC MERRILL

Co-Chief Executive **Riot Games** 

Marc Merrill helped establish Riot Games in 2006 with the goal of bringing gamer's games to players all around the globe. The company is best known for "League of Legends," a multiplayer online battle game that has 67 million players every month, 27



million every day, and more than 7.5 million playing at the same time during each day's peak play time. In 2011, Tencent, China's largest internet company, acquired a majority stake in Riot; it acquired the balance at the end of 2015. Riot was named in Fortune's and Glassdoor's Best Places to Work lists for 2016. Merrill is a graduate of USC.

## **RON MEYER**

Vice Chairman **NBCUniversal** 

Ron Meyer provides strategic guidance and counsel on all aspects of NBCUniversal's business, including its portfolio of film and TV assets as well as its global theme park businesses. He was promoted in September 2013 after serving as



president and chief operating officer of Universal Studios since 1995. Prior to joining Universal Studios, Meyer was president of Creative Artists Agency, which he co-founded in 1975 with four fellow agents from the William Morris Agency. Previously, he was a TV agent with William Morris from 1970 to 1975 and worked as a messenger at the Paul Kohner Agency in Los Angeles from 1964 to 1970.

#### **JANICE MIN** Media Strategist

Eldridge Industries

Janice Min is a media strategist at Eldridge Industries, the holding company for The Hollywood Reporter, Billboard, Dick Clark Productions, and A24. She previously served as co-president and chief



creative officer of The Hollywood Reporter-Billboard Media Group and remains a part-owner of THR. She has been lauded for her makeover of The Reporter, boosting the trade publication's into a media brand in print and online. As editor of US Weekly for six years, she doubled the magazine's audience to 13 million and garnered publishing's highest honors, including Advertising Age's Magazine of the Year and AdWeek's Editor of the Year. She is the author of "How to Look Hot in a Minivan: A Real Woman's Guide to Losing Weight, Looking Great, and Dressing Chic in the Age of the Celebrity Mom."

**ENJOY MOST** 

Ideating! I could sit and brainstorm with smart

people all day long. Fear of giving birth.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** MOST EXCITED

The pace of change everywhere. Nothing is

what it seemed five minutes ago.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Behavior is the best predictor of behavior. Oh, and be a good and present listener. You learn

so much when you pay attention.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

**ALMA MATERS** 

BA, Columbia College; MS, Columbia

University School of Journalism

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST**  I am a terrible, terrible slob.

Run a marathon.

## JARL MOHN

Chief Executive National Public Radio

Jarl Mohn oversees a strategy to continue NPR's mission to create a more informed public by working in partnership with member stations across the country. Mohn spent almost 20 years in radio, many as a disc jockey. He also worked as a



programmer, general manager, and owner of a group of radio stations. He created E! Entertainment Television, and served as its president and chief executive for almost a decade. He is the former executive vice president and general manager of MTV and VH1. He was also founding president and chief executive of Liberty Digital, a public company that invested in cable networks, as well as internet businesses. Prior to joining NPR in July 2014, Mohn served the board of trustees of Southern California Public Radio. He also served on the board of USC's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism.

## **LESLIE MOONVES**

Chairman and Chief Executive CBS Corp.

Leslie Moonves oversees all operations of CBS Corp, including the CBS Television Network, the CW network, CBS Television Studios, CBS Global Distribution Group, CBS Films, CBS Interactive, Showtime Networks, CBS Sports



Network, Simon & Schuster, CBS Television Stations, CBS Radio, and CBS EcoMedia. Moonves came to CBS in 1995 as president of entertainment after serving as president of Warner Bros. Television, where his team developed hit shows such as "Friends" and "ER." He was inducted into the Television Academy Hall of Fame as well as Broadcasting and Cable's Hall of Fame. He was also awarded the Milestone Award from the Producers Guild of America.

#### **JAMES MURDOCH**

Chief Executive 21st Century Fox

James Murdoch leads 21st Century Fox, which holds a portfolio of cable, broadcast, film, pay-TV, and satellite assets. Murdoch has held a succession of leadership roles over his nearly two-decade career with the company, culminating in



his appointment to chief executive in 2015. Over that period, he has been a key driver of the company's domestic and international expansion, having most recently served as co-chief operating officer, and previously as chairman and chief executive for Europe and Asia, as well as chairman of BSkyB, Sky Deutschland, and Sky Italia, the businesses that now comprise the pan-European Sky group. From 2011 to 2014, he served as deputy chief operating officer, as well as chairman and chief executive of international. Prior to that, he was chairman and chief executive, Europe and Asia, beginning in 2007. Murdoch serves as a board member of 21st Century Fox and Sky, and of News Corp.

#### LACHLAN K. MURDOCH

Co-Chairman News Corp.

Lachlan Murdoch is co-chairman of News Corp. He serves as executive chairman of 21st Century Fox, executive chairman of Nova Entertainment Group, and executive chairman of Illyria Pty Ltd. He previously served as nonexecutive



chairman of Ten Network Holdings. Under his leadership, Nova became Australia's No. 1 national FM network. Prior to founding Illyria, a successful private investment company, in 2005, Murdoch was deputy chief operating officer of News Corp. (now 21st Century Fox), a role in which he was directly responsible for two-thirds of the company's global revenue, with specific emphasis on its U.S. TV stations group and publishing assets. At the New York Post, Murdoch grew the paper's circulation by more than 40 percent.

#### **BOBBY MURPHY** Chief Technology Officer

Snap Inc. Bobby Murphy co-founded the global social media platform Snapchat and its parent company,

his peers Evan Spiegel and Reggie Brown while attending Stanford University. Founded in 2010, the

Snap Inc. He conceived the idea with company went public in 2017. Venice-based Snap signed a \$100

million deal with Time Warner for content and advertising in mid-2017, through which Time Warner will create up to 10 original shows a year for Snap and purchase advertising for HBO, Warner Bros., and its Turner networks over the next two years.



#### **SAM NAZARIAN**

Chairman and Chief Executive SBE Entertainment Group

Sam Nazarian's SBE Entertainment Group manages hotels, restaurants, and nightclubs. SBE includes a diverse collection of luxury lifestyle brands in North America, including SLS Hotels and Residences, Katsuya, Bazaar by José Andrés,



and Hyde Lounge. Nazarian's career began in the tech industry with a wireless company he co-founded and later sold. In 2001, he began to hone his expertise in development and hospitality by successfully diversifying his family's assets into real estate holdings across virtually all sectors. SBE's first nightclub was launched in 2003. The company acquired Morgans Hotel Group for about \$82 million in 2016. As part of the transaction, affiliates of Ron Burkle's Yucaipa Cos. received an equity stake in SBE.

#### DAVID NEVINS Chief Executive

Showtime Networks Inc.

David Nevins has oversight of all aspects of Showtime Networks and its channels. He manages the company's programming, distribution, business development, finance, marketing, creative, digital media, scheduling, research, acquisitions, network



operations, home entertainment, business affairs, and corporate communications teams as well as Showtime Sports. He also serves as liaison to CBS Corp.'s international and domestic distribution groups. He was president of Imagine Television from 2002 until 2010, where he oversaw development, production, and executive produced "Arrested Development" and "Friday Night Lights." Prior to joining Imagine, Nevins was executive vice president for programming at Fox and senior vice president for prime-time series at NBC.

#### **WILLIAM J. O'NEIL** Principal William O'Neil + Co. Inc.

William O'Neil began his career with a fascination for the securities market. He was first a stockbroker in 1958 with Hayden Stone & Co., where his passion for stockpicking led him to develop his own computerized study of successful



stocks based on historical precedent. In 1963, he founded William O'Neil + Co. Inc., where he continued his work developing securities databases and providing independent research for institutional investment managers. The O'Neil Database encompasses more than 70,000 stocks and funds covering more than 70 countries. In 1972, he formed Daily Graphs Inc., providing stock charts and data to individual investors. Daily Graphs transitioned into MarketSmith Inc. in 2010. He also founded Investor's Business Daily.

#### **NORM PATTIZ**

**Executive Chairman** Podcast0ne

Norm Pattiz is founder and executive chairman of PodcastOne. He is also the founder of Westwood One, which under his leadership became America's largest provider of news, sports, entertainment, talk, and traffic programming to the broadcast



industry. He launched PodcastOne at the end of 2012. In 2009, Pattiz was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame. He serves as chairman of the Lawrence Livermore and Los Alamos National Security Laboratories, and is a regent of the University of California.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE**  I enjoy being on the cutting edge.

Old, corporate mentalities and slowing digital progress.

PROUDEST MOMENT MOST EXCITED **BEST ADVICE**  Watching the birth of my wife's McLaren.

The uncertainty of it all.

Be open to new ideas and realize that, to today's young consumers, they're not new ideas.

**BEVERAGE** Iced tea.

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION Still Machu Picchu

Keeping fit, UC Regents, National Securities

Labs, and building new businesses.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Still the South of France.

#### **JAY PENSKE**

Chairman and Chief Executive Penske Media Corp.

Jay Penske is chairman and chief executive of Penske Media, owner of Hollywood trade magazine Variety and one of the largest digital media companies in the world. Since its founding 13 years ago, PMC successfully created, built, and



sold the fifth-largest portal (Mail.com) to United Internet, and today operates and publishes more than 20 leading content websites. Penske owns and operates Dragon Racing, a leading global racing team in the Formula-E racing series. He is a co-founder and was chairman of Firefly Mobile Inc.

#### JOE PHELPS Chief Executive

**Phelps** 

Joe Phelps is an innovator of integrated marketing communications. He has made it work for three decades by abolishing traditional agency departments and organizing specialists around their clients in cross-functional, self-



directed teams. He founded Phelps in 1981, which includes specialists in advertising, public relations, promotions, direct response and internet marketing. All focused on achieving superior results for their client. Before founding his eponymous firm, Phelps worked in account management with NW Ayer and Grey Advertising. Prior to marketing communications, he was a musician and recording engineer.

#### **CHET PIPKIN**

Chief Executive Belkin International

Chet Pipkin launched Belkin International in 1983 out of his parent's garage in Southern California. He manufactured computer cables and sold them to local computer manufacturers and dealers in response to the growing personal computer



market in the '80s. Today, Belkin International has evolved into three global brands: Belkin, WeMo, and Linksys. The Belkin brand focuses on ease of use, while the Linksys brand pioneered wireless connectivity in the home around the globe. The WeMo brand is focused on delivering customizable smart-home experiences.

#### RICHARD PLEPLER

Chairman and Chief Executive Home Box Office

Richard Plepler, named to his post in 2013, is responsible for the overall management of HBO and Cinemax, with a combined 134 million subscribers worldwide. Under his leadership, HBO's original productions continue to raise the



bar with some of the most innovative, honored and critically respected programming on television. Under Plepler, it has produced "Game of Thrones," "Silicon Valley" and the talk show "Last Week Tonight With John Oliver," "True Detective," which debuted in early 2014, became the most-watched freshman series in HBO's history. Plepler is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission.

#### **ROY PRICE** Vice President **Amazon Studios**

Roy Price oversees all development and production of original film and television properties at Amazon Studios. Prior to creation of the studios, Price launched and managed Amazon Instant Video. He joined Amazon.com in 2004. Before that,



Price was a consultant with McKinsey & Co., advising major media clients in the United States and Europe. He was previously vice president of creative affairs at Walt Disney TV Animation. His father was an executive at Columbia Pictures and Universal Pictures; his grandfather created television series including "The Fugitive," "The Rockford Files," and "Maverick."

## **SEAN RAD**

Chairman Tinder

Sean Rad is founder and chairman of Tinder, a global platform that has garnered more than 25 million users, having stepped down as chief executive in 2016. Before founding



Tinder in 2012, Rad launched and sold several successful tech ventures similarly focused on enhancing the way people communicate. They include Orgoo, a unified communications platform for consumers, and Ad.ly, a celebrity endorsement platform for social media.

#### **SUMNER M. REDSTONE**

Chairman Emeritus CBS Corp. and Viacom Corp.

Sumner M. Redstone served as executive chairman of CBS and Viacom until February 2016. He assumed his roles as executive chairman of both companies after the separation of Viacom into two publicly traded companies in January



2006. Redstone is the controlling shareholder of both companies. Prior to that, he had served as chairman of Viacom since June 1987 and as its chief executive since January 1996. He became chairman when his National Amusements Inc. acquired a controlling interest. Redstone has been chairman of National Amusements since 1986 and its chief executive since 1967.

#### SHONDA RHIMES

Chief Executive ShondaLand

Shonda Rhimes is the first African-American woman to create and executive produce a top 10 network series. Her drama "Grey's Anatomy" premiered as a midseason replacement in March 2005. She also created "Scandal" and "How



to Get Away With Murder." Rhimes also worked as research director on the documentary "Hank Aaron: Chasing the Dream," which was nominated for an Emmy Award and an Academy Award. In 1999, she earned her first wide recognition for her teleplay for the HBO biographical film "Introducing Dorothy Dandridge," starring Halle Berry. She has received a Television Producer of the Year award from the Producers Guild of America, a Lucy Award for Excellence in Television from Women in Film, and an NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Writing in a Dramatic Series.

## **ED RUSCHA**

Ed Ruscha is a pop artist whose work includes paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, artist's books, and films, and is in the collections of major national and international museums. Born in Omaha, Neb., and raised in Oklahoma, Ruscha moved to Los Angeles in 1956,



where he attended Chouinard Art Institute, from which he graduated in 1960. Ruscha's early paintings attracted notice as part of the pop art movement of the 1960s. His art also has antecedents in dada, surrealism, and abstract expressionism, and would be central to conceptual art. Ruscha lives and works in Los Angeles. He is represented by Gagosian Gallery.

#### **TED SARANDOS** Chief Content Officer Netflix

Ted Sarandos has led content acquisition for Netflix since 2000. With more than 20 years' experience in the home entertainment business, Sarandos is recognized as a key innovator in the acquisition and distribution of films and television



programs. With the 2013 releases of "House of Cards," "Hemlock Grove," "Arrested Development," "Orange Is the New Black," and other shows, he led the transformation of Netflix into an original content producer, and changed the rules of how serialized TV is produced, released, and distributed globally. In its first two years of releasing original series, documentary films, children's shows, and comedy specials, Netflix was recognized by the film and TV industries with 45 Emmy, 15 Daytime Emmy, two Oscar, and 10 Golden Globe nominations.

#### RYAN SEACREST

Principal **Ryan Seacrest Productions** 

Ryan Seacrest took the reins as Kelly Ripa's co-host on "Live With Kelly and Ryan" in 2017, adding to his hosting duties for "On Air With Ryan Seacrest," a nationally syndicated morning drive-time show for iHeartMedia and the syndicated



"On Air With Ryan Seacrest," "American Top 40 With Ryan Seacrest," and the weekday vignette "Direct From Hollywood." He hosted "American Idol" on Fox television, and is host and executive producer of ABC's annual "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve With Ryan Seacrest." He also is executive producer of "E! Live From the Red Carpet" award-show coverage. Seacrest launched Ryan Seacrest Productions in 2006, which has since become an Emmy-winning entertainment production house for unscripted, scripted, and digital programming.

#### **JEFF SHELL** Chairman Universal Filmed Entertainment Group

Jeff Shell was named chairman of Universal Filmed Entertainment Group in September 2013. He oversees worldwide operations for the motion picture group, including its global theatrical and home entertainment businesses. He was



previously chairman of NBCUniversal International. Prior to joining NBCUniversal, Shell served as president of Comcast Programming Group, where he managed Comcast's interests and investments in its national and regional TV networks. He serves on the boards of several nonprofit organizations, including the National Constitution Center, and is an active leader in a number of organizations that are working on public school reform.

#### **CHRIS SILBERMANN**

Managing Partner **ICM Partners** 

Chris Silbermann is managing partner of ICM Partners, a global talent and literary agency representing clients in the fields of TV, motion pictures, publishing, broadcasting, music, theater, corporate marketing, and new media. Silbermann oversees



the careers of many of the most successful showrunners, actors, directors, entertainers, and production companies in film and TV, and provides strategic guidance to corporate clients. He joined ICM in 2007, upon the agency's acquisition of the Broder Webb Chervin Silbermann Agency. In 2012, he led the management buyout of the agency by a newly created partnership. Silbermann is chairman of the Entertainment Industry Foundation, and serves on the boards of the University of California, Berkeley Foundation, American Film Institute, California chapter of the Nature Conservancy, and LA 2024.

> **ENJOY MOST** The people - clients, partners, colleagues, and

buyers.

PROUDEST MOMENT Becoming a father.

**BEST ADVICE** Be patient, listen, and try to leave everything

better than when you got there.

**ALMA MATER** BA, UC Berkeley. **BUCKET LIST** Climbing in Nepal.

HOBBY/PASSION Coaching kids' sports teams.

#### **JEFF SKOLL** Chairman Participant Media

Jeff Skoll is an entrepreneur devoted to creating a sustainable world of peace and prosperity. Over the past 16 years, he has created a portfolio of philanthropic and commercial enterprises, each a distinctive catalyst for change. This portfolio includes



the Skoll Foundation, Participant Media, Skoll Global Threats Fund, and Capricorn Investment Group – all coordinated under the Jeff Skoll Group umbrella. He was the first full-time employee and president of eBay, where he developed the company's inaugural business plan and helped lead its initial public offering and the creation of the eBay Foundation.

## **SHANE SMITH**

Chief Executive Vice Media

Shane Smith is founder and chief executive of Vice Media, a global digital media and broadcasting company. Vice, launched in 1994 as a punk magazine in Canada, has expanded and diversified to become a multifaceted media company,



operating an international network of digital channels, a TV production studio, a record label, an in-house creative services agency, a bookpublishing house, and a feature film division. In 2007, Smith partnered with film director Spike Jonze to launch Vice's Venice-based digital video production division. In 2013, Smith executive produced and hosted Emmy-nominated news series "Vice" on HBO.

#### **STACEY SNIDER**

Chairwoman and Chief Executive 20th Century Fox

Stacey Snider became 21st Century Fox's chairwoman and chief executive in June 2016. Snider joined the company as co-chairwoman in 2014, after serving as co-chairwoman and chief executive of DreamWorks Studios. She previously was



chairwoman of Universal Pictures. 21st Century Fox is home to a global portfolio of cable and broadcasting networks and properties, including Fox, FX, FXX, FXM, FS1, Fox News Channel, Fox Business Network, Fox Sports, Fox Sports Network, National Geographic Channels, Star India, 28 local television stations in the U.S., and more than 300 international channels; film studio 20th Century Fox Film; and television production studios 20th Century Fox Television.

#### STEVEN SPIELBERG

Chairman **Amblin Partners** 

Steven Spielberg, one of the industry's most successful and influential filmmakers, is chairman of Amblin Partners, formed in 2015. Spielberg leads the content creation company in partnership with Participant Media, Reliance Anil



Dhirubhai Ambani Group, and Entertainment One. Spielberg is the top-grossing director of all time, having helmed such blockbusters as "Jaws," "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial," the "Indiana Jones" franchise, and "Jurassic Park." He is a three-time Academy Award winner. In 1984, the director formed his own production company, Amblin Entertainment. In 1994, he partnered with Jeffrey Katzenberg and David Geffen to form DreamWorks Studios. The studio enjoyed both critical and commercial success, including three consecutive Best Picture Academy Award winners.

#### **GARY STEWART**

Catalog Curation Apple Music

Gary Stewart's lifelong passion for music led him to be a force in the entertainment industry for more than 35 years. At Apple Music, he has worked in catalog curation, unearthing hidden musical gems. He is also a co-founder of Trunkworthy,



a platform that unveils underappreciated yet overachieving music, movies, and television. He was previously senior vice president of artists and repertoire for Rhino Entertainment, where he transformed the organizational culture from paid volunteerism and nontraditional corporate giving to community organizing. Stewart has been active in various philanthropic endeavors during his career. He serves on the boards of Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy and the Community Coalition. He served as chairman of the Liberty Hill Foundation and on the board of the Social Venture Network, a nonprofit membership organization composed of socially responsible business leaders.

#### **GEORGE STROMPOLOS**

**Chief Executive** Fullscreen Media

Prior to founding Fullscreen, George Strompolos served as strategic partnerships manager at YouTube and was responsible for establishing distribution channels with new-media companies and content producers. In 2007, he co-



created the YouTube Partner Program, which provided monetization opportunities for a new class of online content producers around the world. He also led YouTube's first multimillion-dollar programming fund. Strompolos began his career in business development roles at Wired magazine, CNET Networks, and Google. Strompolos volunteers at Citizen Schools, where he helps junior high students express their creativity through video.

#### **KEVIN TSUJIHARA**

Chairman and Chief Executive Warner Bros. Entertainment

Kevin Tsujihara became chairman and chief executive of Warner Bros. in March 2013. He oversees film, TV, and video-game production, as well as marketing and distribution worldwide. Prior to serving as chief executive, Tsujihara was president



of Warner Bros. Home Entertainment, which includes the studio's home-video, digital distribution, video-game, anti-piracy, and emerging technology operations, a post he'd held since its founding in October 2005. Tsujihara helped usher the industry into the digital age by developing innovative strategies to accelerate the growth of digital and offset the decline of DVD.

JON F. VEIN Former Chief Executive MarketShare

Jon F. Vein co-founded and served as chief executive of MarketShare, a big data marketing analytics and software company acquired in December 2015 by Neustar. In December 2016, after the successful integration, Vein moved on from the



company to pursue other endeavors in the public and private sectors. Prior to MarketShare, Vein was chief operating officer of Michael Ovitz's AMG and APG, a talent management and motion picture production company, respectively, and was chief operating officer of Film Roman. Vein started his entertainment career as a founding partner of entertainment law firm Dern & Vein. Vein is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization Gold Los Angeles Chapter. He serves on the board of the Los Angeles Convention Center and Tourism Development Commissioners as well as the boards of the Center for American Progress and California Science Center.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Helping to create jobs and giving back to society through civic, political, and philanthropic engagement.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Building a company from an idea through selling the company in 2015.

PROUDEST MOMENT The birth of my children.

MOST EXCITED The pace of technology innovation, when used

for good, will help solve many of the ills around

the world.

**BEST ADVICE** Work hard, know what you don't know,

surround yourself with people who know more

than you do, be innovative, and be nimble.

**BEVERAGE** Barolo. **CAR YOU DRIVE** 

Tesla.

**ALMA MATERS** Dual BS, UC Berkeley; JD, Harvard Law

School.

**FUN FACT** I invented and hold the patent for growing in

vitro meat (growing beef, poultry, fish, etc., in a

petri dish).

**BUCKET LIST** Holding public office in a capacity to improve

the most people's lives.

HOBBY/PASSION Public service.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Some place I have not yet experienced.

#### **HAYMA WASHINGTON**

Chairman and Chief Executive Academy of Television Arts & Sciences

Hayma Washington is one of the entertainment industry's most prolific and accomplished executives. A seven-time Emmy Award winner, Washington's TV and film production career includes live sports, award shows, music, comedy,



drama, talk, independent films, and short-form digital content. In addition to serving as a governor of the producer peer group of the Television Academy, Washington also served two terms as television vice president for the Producers Guild of America, where he continues on as a member of their national board of directors.

#### PATRICK WHITESELL

Co-Chief Executive WMF LIMG

Patrick Whitesell is co-chief executive of WME | IMG. He and Ariel Emanuel orchestrated the largest talent agency merger in history in 2009 when they partnered with William Morris to form WME. Prior to the formation of WME,



Whitesell was a partner at Endeavor. Before Endeavor, he was head of the talent department at Creative Artists Agency. He is an appointed member of the California Film Commission and an associate member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

#### OPRAH WINFREY

Chairman and Chief Executive **OWN: Oprah Winfrey Network** 

Oprah Winfrey is chairman and chief executive of the OWN cable network, and founder of O: The Oprah Magazine and Harpo Films. An Academy Award-nominated actress for her role in "The Color Purple," she produced and acted in



the 2014 Academy Award-winning film "Selma." Winfrey returned to scripted television with a recurring role in the original drama series "Greenleaf" on OWN and starred in HBO's "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks." Winfrey established the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa in 2007 to provide education for academically gifted girls from disadvantaged backgrounds.

#### **PAUL YANOVER**

President Fandango

Paul Yanover is president of Fandango, the nation's leading digital destination for all things movies, serving more than 60 million online and mobile visitors per month, according to comScore. Prior to joining Fandango, Yanover served as



executive vice president and managing director at Disney Online. He began his career at Walt Disney Co. in 1995 working for Walt Disney Feature Animation. He also served as senior vice president of Disney Parks and Resorts Online, managing the e-commerce business.

> **ENJOY MOST** Working with smart people to create

innovative products.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Changing the industry's perception of

Fandango's capabilities.

PROUDEST MOMENT Right now, as we take Fandango from a

singular utility to a multidimensional network

for all things movies.

BEST ADVICE Don't spend too much time analyzing every

step, take action.

MOST EXCITED There's been so much dynamic change at

our company. There's a lot of work ahead and we're excited to see how far we can go.

**FUN FACT** I worked on Disney's 1991 animated classic

"Beauty and the Beast."

**ALMA MATERS** Bachelor's, University of Western Ontario;

Master's, USC.

**BUCKET LIST** Bicycling the North and South Islands of New

Zealand.

#### JEREMY ZIMMER

Chief Executive and Managing Director United Talent Agency

Jeremy Zimmer is a founding partner, chief executive, and managing director of UTA, as well as a key architect of its growth into one of the industry's leading entertainment firms. In addition to talent representation, UTA provides



corporate consulting, venture funding, and strategic advisory services to companies ranging from startups to Fortune 500 companies. UTA operates the brand strategy agency UTA Brand Studio and owns broadcast news agency Bienstock. UTA founded and co-owns leading integrated marketing firm United Entertainment Group, which focuses on branded entertainment for major consumer brands.





#### **RAUL A. ANAYA** President, Greater Los Angeles Bank of America

Raul Anaya is the Greater Los Angeles president for Bank of America, working with 10,000 local employees, setting strategy for the region, and leading the Bank's \$6 million philanthropic effort that includes 50,000 hours



of local employee volunteerism. He also serves as the commercial banking executive for the Pacific Southwest region for companies with annual revenue from \$50 million to more than \$2 billion across a variety of industries, including technology, entertainment. consumer products, private equity, gaming, food & agriculture, and aerospace & defense.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Spending quality time with clients appreciating their personal journey, learning about their success and goals, and understanding their challenges.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Moving to another state when my daughter was a senior in high school.

PROUDEST MOMENT **BEST ADVICE** 

The birth of my children.

BEVERAGE **CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

Take a genuine and caring interest in your team. Lunch: iced tea; dinner: Cabernet Sauvignon. BMW 535i

BBA, University of Texas at Brownsville. I'm 70 percent European (Iberian Peninsula, Italy/Greece, and Ireland) and 24 percent Native American (Thank you Ancestry.com!).

**BUCKET LIST** Skydiving. HOBBY/PASSION

Anything that involves the outdoors - hiking, gardening, walking, running.

#### **BITA ARDALAN**

Managing Director, Head of Commercial Banking Union Bank

Bita Ardalan is managing director and head of the Commercial Banking Group at Union Bank. Prior to her current role, Ardalan served as the head of Middle Market Banking. Previously, she founded and



oversaw the bank's National Specialized Lending Group, including commercial finance, environmental services, nonprofits, health care, aerospace and defense, public finance, and funds finance. She serves on the Iranian-American Women's advisory board, as an Ambassador for the Looking Beyond Foundation, and as a board member for Town Hall, Los Angeles. She is a member of the YPO Santa Monica Bay Chapter.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The fast pace and the day-to-day challenges in the rapidly changing financial services industry. The unexpected passing of my younger

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

brother when he was only 39; staying ahead of client needs in a rapidly evolving market. Becoming a mom: the Commercial Banking and Specialized Lending teams I've managed over the years have typically been at the top of Union Bank's leader boards for consecutive years.

Take the time to view your manager and your

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** 

**FUN FACT** 

peers in a balanced and holistic manner. I was a cheerleader in middle school, and I almost became a TV news broadcaster. BS, Williams College.

ALMA MATER **BEVERAGE BUCKET LIST** 

HOBBY/PASSION

Lattes, and only occasionally great wine. Travel the world.

Social activities, water & snow skiing, reading, and travel. I enjoy reading.

#### **MARK ATTANASIO**

Managing Partner Crescent Capital

Mark Attanasio is a co-founder and managing partner of Crescent Capital, an alternative credit financier specializing in debt securities. He is also chairman and principal owner of the Milwaukee Brewers baseball club. Previously, Attanasio



was an investment banker and capital markets professional at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. and an attorney at Debevoise & Plimpton. He is a member of the board of Heal the Bay, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and Harvard-Westlake School.

#### **WILLIAM BARNUM**

Partner **Brentwood Associates** 

William Barnum joined Brentwood Associates, a private investment firm, in 1984. He co-founded the firm's private equity effort. Prior to joining Brentwood, he worked at Morgan Stanley & Co. in the investment banking division. He



is a graduate of Stanford University, Stanford Law School, and Stanford Graduate School of Business. Barnum was both an Arjay Miller Scholar and a member of the Order of the Coif. He is a director of Excelligence Learning Corp., Lazy Dog Restaurants, the Teaching Co., and Veggie Grill. Barnum is a member of the Advisory Council of the Stanford Graduate School of Business, the Dean's Advisory Council of Stanford Law School, and the board of Harvard-Westlake School.

#### THOMAS BARRACK JR.

**Executive Chairman** Colony Northstar Inc.

Thomas J. Barrack Jr. is executive chairman of Colony NorthStar Inc., which was formed with the 2016 merger of his private equity firm Colony Capital with Northstar Asset Management and NorthStar Realty Finance Corp. Colony NorthStar



is now the nation's fifth-largest real estate investment trust. He founded Colony Capital in 1991 and most recently served as executive chairman. Prior to that he was a principal with the Robert M. Bass Group, the principal investment vehicle of the Fort Worth, Texas, investor Robert M. Bass. He also served in the Reagan administration as deputy undersecretary of the Department of the Interior. In 2010, French president Nicolas Sarkozy knighted him as





Century City | Santa Monica | Beverly Hills 1cbank.com | 310-270-9500 a Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur. In 2017, Barrack served as the chairman of President Donald Trump's Inaugural Committee. He was also a senior adviser to the Trump Presidential Campaign. He sits on the boards of France's Carrefour, the second-largest retailer in the world, and First Republic Bank.

#### **FRANK BAXTER**

Former Chief Executive Jefferies and Co.

Frank Baxter worked from 1974 to 2002 at Jefferies and Co., a global investment bank specializing in small- and mid-cap companies, serving as chief executive from 1987 until his departure. After leaving Jefferies, he was sworn in as U.S.



ambassador to Uruguay in 2006, and served until 2009. He is a former director of the National Association of Securities Dealers and served as chairman of the committee, which resulted in the spin-off of Nasdaq. He subsequently served on the board of Nasdaq as a member of the executive committee and chairman of the chief executive search committee.

## SCOTT BEISER

Chief Executive Houlihan Lokey

Scott Beiser's responsibilities as Houlihan Lokey's chief executive include managing operations for the investment bank, identifying and developing strategic opportunities, and pursuing and managing client relationships. Beiser has special



expertise in investment banking services for engineering and construction businesses. He is an adviser to several boards and executives in the engineering and construction industry. Before joining Houlihan Lokey, Beiser was a senior financial analyst at Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Co. He earned a bachelor's and a master's in finance from Cal State Northridge.

## **ARTHUR BILGER**

Managing Member **Shelter Capital Partners** 

Arthur "Art" H. Bilger runs Shelter Capital Partners, a private investment fund focused on technology companies in the media, wireless communication, enterprise software, and semiconductor industries. He founded the company



while vice chairman of Akamai Technologies Inc. He previously served as president, chief operating officer, and director of New World Communications Group Inc., a television production and broadcasting company. Bilger serves as a member of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School board of overseers. He's also vice chairman of the Skirball Cultural Center and on the board of Bet Tzedek, a legal services organization. He is an adviser for Tennenbaum Capital.

#### **GREG BRAKOVICH**

Founding Principal Crossroads Capital Group

Greg Brakovich is a founding principal of Crossroads Capital Group. He is responsible for sourcing and structuring wholesale distribution partnerships third-party investment management companies. Prior to Crossroads, Brakovich was



the founder and chief executive of KBS Capital Markets Group, and led the organization to a 12 percent market share, raising more than \$2 billion within three years of its formation. Brakovich specializes in building and managing third-party distribution organizations and is credited with founding three of the premier distribution franchises in the financial services industry: Fidelity Advisors, AXA Distributors, and MetLife Investors. He is a trustee of USC.

## **RON BURKLE**

Managing Partner Yucaipa Cos.

Investor and philanthropist Ron Burkle founded Yucaipa Cos., an investment firm focusing on the retail, manufacturing, distribution, and hospitality industries, in 1986. He has served as chairman and controlling shareholder of numerous companies,



including Alliance Entertainment, Golden State Foods, Dominick's, Fred Meyer, Ralphs, and Food4Less. Burkle is co-chairman of the Burkle Center for International Relations at UCLA and founder of the Ronald Burkle Foundation. He is a trustee of the Carter Center, National Urban League, Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy, and AIDS Project Los Angeles. Burkle was the founder and chairman of the Ralphs/Food4Less Foundation and the Fred Meyer Inc. Foundation.

## **DUNSON K. CHENG**

**Executive Chairman** Cathay General Bancorp

Dunson K. Cheng is executive chairman of Cathay General Bancorp, a position he has held since 2016. He previously served as chairman and chief executive of Cathay Bank from 1994 and was its president from 1985 to 2016. Cathay



Bank opened in 1962 as the first Chinese-American bank in Southern California. Before joining Cathay Bank as a director in 1982, he worked in engineering at Xerox Corp. He hopes to return to academia.

#### PAIGE CRAIG **General Partner**

Arena Ventures

Paige Craig is general partner and co-founder with Jeff Lo of Arena Ventures, a seed fund which he launched in early 2015. Craig has invested in more than 110 startups



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including Lyft, Postmates, and AngelList. Prior to angel investing, Craig spent the first half of his career in the Marine Corps and U.S. intelligence community and later launched a private military company, driving alone into Iraq in 2003 and expanding across the Middle East, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Africa, and Southeast Asia.

JOHN G. DANHAKL

Managing Partner Leonard Green & Partners

John G. Danhakl joined private equity firm Leonard Green & Partners in 1995. Previously he was a managing director in the L.A. office of DLJ, which he joined in 1990, and a vice president in corporate finance at Drexel Burnham Lambert from



1985 to 1990. Danhakl serves on the boards of Advantage Solutions, CCC Information Services Inc., IMS Health Inc., Insight Global, J. Crew Group Inc., Leslie's Poolmart Inc., Life Time Fitness Inc., Mister Car Wash Holdings Inc., MultiPlan Inc., Packers Sanitation Services Inc., and Savers Inc.

#### ROBERT DAY

Chairman and Chief Executive Oakmont Corp.

Robert Day is chairman and chief executive of downtown hedge fund Oakmont Corp., which has about \$1.4 billion in assets under management. Day started his career with the investment banking firm White Weld and Co. in New York. In 1971



he founded Trust Co. of the West and served as chairman and chief executive. In September 2007, Day pledged \$200 million, the largest recorded gift to a liberal arts institution, to Claremont McKenna to create the Robert Day Scholars Program. He also serves as chairman of the Robert M. Keck Foundation, one of the nation's largest philanthropic organizations, with assets of more than \$1.2 billion.

#### PHILIP DE TOLEDO President

Capital Group Cos. Inc.

Philip de Toledo is president of Capital Group Cos. Inc. and also serves on the company's management committee. He has worked at the firm since 1986, previously serving as principal financial officer. Clients include



corporations, governments, pension and retirement plans, nonprofit organizations, and individual investors. It is the home of American Funds in the United States. The firm also offers investment funds and mutual funds in Australia, Canada, Europe, and Japan.

#### TERRI DECKER

Senior Vice President, Head of Branch Banking One West Bank

Terri Decker is the market manager for One West Bank responsible for retail banking in the Central Los Angeles market. Her direct reports include 11 district managers leading more than 100 branches



including existing and new build locations. In addition, she is regional Wholesale Manager responsible for ensuring sustainable sales behaviors leading to improved P&L performance in seven Western states. Prior to joining One West. Decker was senior vice president and market manager for JP Morgan Chase in Los Angeles. She joined Chaise from Washington Mutual in 2008. She joined WaMu in 1994after spending five years at Sanwa Bank, now Bank of the West, where she had been first vice president and senior regional manager.

#### DAVID DICRISTOFARO

Regional President, Senior Vice President Wells Fargo Bank

A 20-year veteran of Wells Fargo & Co., David DiCristofaro oversees more than 2,800 team members at more than 150 branches spanning East and South Los Angeles, the San Gabriel Valley, the Inland Empire, and the Coachella Valley. He



previously served as regional president for Wells Fargo's South Coast Community Bank for four years. He also served as chief financial officer for Wells Fargo's L.A. Metro region.

#### DAVID FELMAN

Managing Director Greif & Co.

David Felman has more than 15 years of investment banking and financial services experience. He has advised on more than \$75 billion of transactions across a broad spectrum of industries, including consumer and retail, energy, financial and



business services, health care, gaming and lodging, industrials, media, real estate, and technology. Prior to joining Greif & Co., he co-founded and ran Cardinal Advisors, a boutique investment banking firm. He was previously with Moelis & Co., where he was a member of the founding team and a senior member of the Mergers & Acquisitions group. Felman began his career in the investment banking division of Morgan Stanley, and has prior experience at UBS, the Stanford Management Co., the White House Council of Economic Advisers, and Goldman Sachs. Felman is treasurer and a board member of Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles.

## **DAVID I. FISHER**

Portfolio Manager Capital Group Cos.

David I. Fisher is an equity portfolio manager at Capital Group and chairman emeritus of Capital Group International Inc. He has more than 51 years of investment experience, working with Capital Group for more than 47 years. Before joining Capital,



he was an officer of Smith Barney & Co. and a marketing executive with General Electric Co. He is a member of the Los Angeles Society of Financial Analysts and the International Society of Security Analysts. He sits on the advisory board of the International Monetary Fund Retirement Plan.

#### JIM FREEDMAN

Chairman and Managing Director Intrepid Investment Bankers

Jim Freedman is managing director, chairman, and founding principal of Intrepid Investment Bankers. He has more than 35 years of investment banking and corporate finance experience and is an expert on the financial aspects of corporate



strategy. In 1982, he founded Barrington Associates, the predecessor firm to Intrepid, which was sold to Wells Fargo Securities in 2006. He has acted as the principal financial adviser in hundreds of capital raisings and merger and acquisition transactions ranging in value from \$20 million to \$1 billion. Freedman serves on the boards of the UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Anderson School of Management, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, and the Concern Foundation for Cancer Research.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The enthusiasm, perseverance, and success of entrepreneurs.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Starting a company from nothing and helping to build it into one of the most respected M&A advisory firms to middle-market companies in

PROUDEST MOMENT

**BEST ADVICE** 

Seeing my children achieve their own success. Never give up. Follow your passion with drive

each and every day.

MOST EXCITED

I'm especially interested in technology and space exploration.

**FUN FACT** 

I played rugby in college; I was a baggage

**ALMA MATERS** 

handler at LAX.

**BUCKET LIST** 

Bachelor's, Cornell University; MBA, UCLA.

Visit Bhutan.

#### JOSHUA S. FRIEDMAN

Co-Chairman and Co-Chief Executive **Canyon Partners** 

Joshua S. Friedman co-founded Canyon Partners in 1990. Canyon, a leading alternative asset manager with more than \$21 billion in assets under management, specializes in value-oriented investments for



institutional investors worldwide. Prior to forming Canyon, Friedman was director of capital markets for high-yield and private placements at Drexel Burnham Lambert. Before joining Drexel, he worked at Goldman Sachs in New York. Friedman is also a director and trustee of a number of nonprofit and charitable organizations.

#### STANLEY P. GOLD

Chief Executive Shamrock Holdings Inc.

Stanley P. Gold is president, chief executive officer, and co-founder of Shamrock Holdings, an investment company wholly owned by the Roy E. Disney family. He has led investments of more than \$2 billion in a wide variety of industries. Gold



was a director of Walt Disney Co., where he was actively involved in reshaping the strategic direction. Previously, he was a managing partner of Gang Tyre Ramer & Brown Inc., a prominent L.A. law firm. He is highly regarded in the Israeli community as one of the first foreign investors who committed to local business growth and development.

Gores Group

#### **ALEC E. GORES** Chairman and Chief Executive

Alec E. Gores founded Gores Group in 1987 as a global investment firm focused on acquiring controlling interests in mature and growing businesses that can benefit from the firm's operating experience

and flexible capital base. Under



his leadership, Gores Group has continued to acquire businesses in need of operational and financial resources. Since its founding, the company has acquired more than 80 businesses. Its portfolio includes more than 20 active companies worldwide with combined annual revenue of more than \$7 billion.

#### TOM GORES Chairman and Chief Executive Platinum Equity

Tom Gores founded Platinum Equity in 1995, guiding the strategic development and direction of both the private equity firm and its portfolio over the last three decades. Gores maintains an active interest in the arts, serving on the



board of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Early in his career, Gores was an active investor in smaller businesses, where companies often trade principally on their good word and ability to follow through on what they promise. Here he developed his principles of empowerment, hard work, and integrity.

#### **BOB GRAZIANO** Senior Managing Director J.P. Morgan Private Bank

Bob Graziano is responsible for corporate strategy and development for J.P. Morgan's Private Bank in the Western Region, providing strategic advice and support to the regional leadership team. Before joining J.P. Morgan, Graziano was a managing



partner at Northern Trust. He spent 18 years with the Los Angeles Dodgers, serving his final six years as the club's president and chief operating officer. He is chairman of the Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment Commission and the past chairman and current board member of the LA84 Foundation, which is endowed with the surplus from the 1984 Olympic Games.

ENJOY MOST	Working with very talented people to help
	successful people, their businesses, and

their families.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Balancing my career, my family, assisting our parents, and making sure we are giving back

to our community.

PROUDEST MOMENT Sitting at opening and closing ceremonies of the 1984 Olympics knowing that I had a part in it. Being a part of the Dodger organization

when we won the 1988 World Championship. But most of all, seeing our five sons become successful young men with strong values.

MOST EXCITED The many things happening in the sports and

entertainment community in Southern California. **BEST ADVICE** Work hard and always with integrity. Put your team's goals before yours. Embrace change.

**BEVERAGE** Coffee. ALMA MATER BS. USC.

> The first job in which I earned a paycheck was **FUN FACT** vacuuming cars in a carwash in San Pedro.

**BUCKET LIST** Travel to all parts of the world. HOBBY/PASSION Working out and staying fit. **FAVORITE DESTINATION** Midway, Utah

> LLOYD GREIF Chief Executive



Lloyd Greif founded Greif & Co. in 1992 after a successful decade-long turn as vice chairman of Sutro & Co. Inc., the oldest investment banking firm in the West, where he was head of the investment banking division. Previously, he was a management

consultant with Touche Ross & Co. Greif has degrees in economics, entrepreneurship, and law. He endowed the Lloyd Greif Center for Entrepreneurial Studies at USC's Marshall School of Business in 1997. He is past chairman of the Business Tax Advisory Committee, appointed by Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Los Angeles City Council. He has served on the boards of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corp. and the Los Angeles Police Foundation. He is on the board of California Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Board of Leaders of the USC Marshall School of Business, a member of both YPO and World Presidents' Organization, and of the board of Loyola Law School.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Matching wits with the person sitting across the table from me. There is nothing more gratifying, intellectually stimulating, and emotionally challenging as deal-making and coming through for your client.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

I launched Greif & Co. in 1992 at age 36 during the worst recession to hit California since the Great Depression, and I didn't do it

with other people's money.

PROUDEST MOMENT Endowing the Lloyd Greif Center for

Entrepreneurial Studies at USC's Marshall School of Business 20 years ago, at age 42, and just five years after I launched my own

entrepreneurial venture.

BEST ADVICE There are no shortcuts. I know of no other

way to succeed than through hard work, determination, and perseverance.

**BEVERAGE** Iced green tea and Knockando or Clynelish

single malt scotch whiskey, not necessarily in

that order.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Maserati Granturismo.

MOST EXCITED The pace of technological change

keeps accelerating.

**FUN FACT** I own the largest collection of vintage

photography by Hollywood glamour photographer George Hurrell and the largest collection of vintage comic art by Will Eisner,

the father of the graphic novel.

**BUCKET LIST** Visiting Auschwitz, where my father

was imprisoned.

HOBBY/PASSION Hunting and art collecting, ranging from

impressionist to art deco.

#### JEFFREY GUNDLACH

Chief Executive DoubleLine Capital

Jeffrey Gundlach is recognized as an expert in bonds and other debt-related investments. He heads DoubleLine Capital, an investment management firm and registered investment adviser with more than \$100 billion in assets under management. Gundlach



founded DoubleLine along with Philip Barach and other senior staff from TCW Group Inc., where he previously worked.

#### **DON HANKEY**

Chairman and Chief Executive Westlake Financial Services

Don Hankey is chairman, chief executive, and primary stockholder of all Hankey Investment-controlled entities, including Westlake Financial Services. Recognizing a critical need in the marketplace for auto purchasers with less-than-perfect



credit, Hankey founded Westlake Financial Services in 1978. Through diligent customer service and deployment of innovative technology, Westlake has grown to become a leader in the subprime automotive finance market. Hankey began his career in investment banking. With a family history in the automobile business, he acquired Midway Ford in 1972 and, during the 1980s, several more dealerships.

#### PHILIP HOLTHOUSE

Managing Partner Holthouse Carlin & Van Trigt

Philip Holthouse is a founding partner of Holthouse Carlin & Van Trigt and has more than 30 years' experience in the tax field. As managing partner, he has helped guide the growth of the firm to more than 500 employees and 11 offices. Holthouse is a frequent



guest speaker at the USC Gould School of Law Tax Institute and other professional organizations. He served as a part-time faculty member at the USC Master of Business Taxation Program and is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Leventhal School of Accounting at USC. He is also on the advisory board for the Graduate Tax Program at Loyola Law School. Active in his community, Holthouse serves in leadership positions on many nonprofit boards.

> **ENJOY MOST** Working with a lot of bright, motivated,

talented people inside and outside the firm.

**BEST ADVICE** 

**ALMA MATERS** Bachelor's and master's, USC;

JD, Loyola Law School.

**FUN FACT** I take vacation to play hockey.

**BUCKET LIST** Visit Antarctica. HOBBY/PASSION Vintage watches.



Managing Partner Mucker Capital

William Hsu has spent his career as both an entrepreneur and an executive of a Fortune 100 company, founding Mucker Capital to invest in seed and "pre-seed" stage companies building defensible and scalable businesses in internet software, services, and media.



Prior to forming Mucker Capital, Hsu was the chief product officer of AT&T Interactive. In three years at AT&T Interactive, he doubled revenue to more than \$1 billion and helped establish it as the ninth-largest digital media company, the largest digital local advertising company, and the second-largest mobile advertising company in the United States.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** MOST EXCITED **FUN FACT** 

Meeting entrepreneurs. Meeting more entrepreneurs. Mv kids.

Learned to speak English at a Catholic School

in Guam.

**ALMA MATERS** BS, Stanford; MBA, Wharton REVERAGE Tap water.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Tesla Model S.

RICHARD B. JONES

Managing Director and Private Wealth Adviser Jones Zafari Group, Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith Inc.

Richard Jones has been providing investment advisory and private banking services to high net worth



individuals, foundations, and endowments since 1980. He was with J.P. Morgan and Bank of America before joining Merrill Lynch in 1999. He sits on the boards of the Los Angeles Opera, Bet Tzedek Legal Services, St. Barnabas Senior Services, and L.A. Opera Council, and he is chairman of the L.A. Music Center Leadership Council. Jones was named to Barron's "Top 100 Financial Advisors" each year from 2005 through 2017. In 2015, he received the Humanitarian Award from the Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust.

#### **NEIL KADISHA**

Chief Executive **Omninet Group** 

Neil Kadisha serves on the Omninet investment committee, where his primary responsibility is to provide leadership and strategic planning to Omninet investments. Omninet Group was founded more than 20 years ago. Kadisha is an active part



of the investment community and has longstanding ties with financial institutions and real estate investment firms. For more than 14 years, Kadisha served on the board of Qualcomm. He also serves on the boards of various privately held companies and charities.

#### DAVID KAPLAN

Director, Partner, Co-Head of Private Equity Ares Management

David Kaplan is a co-founder of Ares Management, as well as a director and partner of Ares Management GP, Ares' general partner. He is co-head of Ares' private equity group and a member



of the management committee. Kaplan joined Ares in 2003 from Shelter Capital Partners, where he was a senior principal. From 1991 through 2000, Kaplan was a senior partner at Apollo Management. Before that, Kaplan was a member of the investment banking department at Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. He serves as chairman of the parent entities of Neiman Marcus Group Inc. and Smart & Final Inc.

## **BRUCE KARSH**

Co-Chairman Oaktree Capital Management

Bruce Karsh is a co-founder of Oaktree and serves as co-chairman. He previously served as chief investment officer and portfolio manager. Prior to co-founding Oaktree, Karsh was a managing director of TCW Asset Management



Co. Karsh previously worked as assistant to the chairman of SunAmerica Inc. Prior to that, he was an attorney with O'Melveny & Myers. Karsh also clerked for Supreme Court Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, then of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Karsh is chairman of Tribune Media Co., which has agreed to be purchased by Sinclair Broadcast Group, and a member of the Broad Foundations' investment committee.

#### **RICHARD KAYNE**

Chairman Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors

Richard Kayne is the founder and chairman of Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors, a Los Angelesbased manager of alternative investment strategies. The firm serves a distinguished client list of institutions, endowments,



foundations, family offices, and high-net-worth individuals. Kayne founded the company in 1984. It specializes in oil and gas, energy infrastructure, credit, specialty real estate, growth private equity, and marketable securities. The firm is the largest investor in energy pipelines in the United States. Kayne also founded Kayne Anderson Rudnick, a traditional investment management firm. Kayne grew that firm to more than \$10 billion in assets under management and sold it in 2001 to Phoenix Cos.

## **BRAD LARSEN**

Managing Director and Market Executive **US Trust** 

Brad M. Larsen is a managing director and market executive for U.S. Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management. He directs the Greater Los Angeles region, leading a team that provides integrated strategy and execution



in multiple disciplines including investment management, wealth structuring, trust and estate planning services, philanthropy, and credit and lending through Bank of America. Larsen oversees the provision of in-depth offerings to high-net-worth clients. He began his career in Premier Banking and Investments as a client manager, quickly rising to market manager. He joined U.S. Trust in 2008 as a regional executive. Brad earned his B.S. from the University of New Mexico, where he was recruited to play on the Lobos baseball team as first baseman.

#### **KEVIN S. KIM** Chairman and Chief Executive Hope Bancorp Inc.

Kevin S. Kim is chief executive and president of Hope Bancorp Inc., parent of Bank of Hope. Bank of Hope was formed in 2016 with the merger of BBCN Bank, where Kim had been chief executive, and Wilshire Bancorp. He has been a

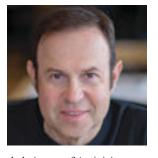


member of the board of precursor banks since 2008. At BBCN, Kim assumed responsibility for leading the company's efforts related to strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, business line and revenue diversification, capital management strategy, and oversight. He had been a director of Center Financial Corp. from 2008 until its merger with BBCN. Kim was the lead negotiator from Center Financial in that transaction. A certified public accountant and attorney, Kim practiced law for 18 years, with a focus in corporate and business transactions, business acquisitions, tax planning, and real estate transactions.

#### **HOWARD MARKS**

Chief Executive StartEngine

Howard Marks is co-founder and chief executive at StartEngine Crowdfunding/Capital. Marks was also the founder and chief executive of Acclaim Games, a publisher of online games now part of Walt Disney Co. Before Acclaim, he was



the co-founder of Activision Blizzard and chairman of Activision Studios from 1991 until 1997. He and a partner took control of Activision in 1991 and turned the ailing company into a \$30 billion market cap video game industry leader. As a games industry expert, Marks built one of the largest and most successful games studios in the industry selling millions of games. He is bilingual and is a triple national of the United States, United Kingdom, and France.

#### ASHTON KUTCHER

Partner Sound Ventures, A-Grade Investments

Globally known for his acting, Ashton Kutcher is also a venture capitalist who has invested in several high technology startups, such as Skype, Foursquare, and Airbnb. He cofounded A-Grade Investments with Ron Burkle and Guy Oseary and



recently launched a new investment company, Sound Ventures. Kutcher began his career as a model before acting in the Fox sitcom "That '70s Show." He starred in numerous other TV shows and movies. In 2009 he and his then-wife created the Demi and Ashton Foundation, now known as Thorn, to eliminate child sex slavery worldwide.

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**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

Every time we help a company raise capital, we feel rewarded because we have added value. The finance industry is very conservative and has not yet accepted the equity crowdfunding

as an alternative for companies to raise capital. When we achieved \$30 million in capital raised

for close to 40 companies.

MOST EXCITED The day equity crowdfunding moves from an alternative source to a mainstream source, we

will have achieved our mission.

**BEST ADVICE** It is not necessarily IQ or knowledge that determines success, its resilience and

resourcefulness.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE** 

**BUCKET LIST** 

Tesla Model S.

Tea.

**ALMA MATER** BS, University of Michigan.

**FUN FACT** I still have a French accent even though I was

> born in Santa Monica. Play Augusta National.

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Golf. Europe.

#### **DOUGLAS MERRILL**

Chief Executive ZestFinance

Douglas Merrill is founder and chief executive of ZestFinance, a financial technology company that uses big data and artificial intelligence to help lenders more accurately predict credit risk so they can increase revenue, reduce defaults, and



promote compliance. As the former chief information officer and vice president of engineering at Google, Merrill led an organization of 1,500 and drove multiple strategic efforts, including Google's IPO auction in 2004.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Solving problems that are both technically challenging and socially important.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

I was born dyslexic and deaf, and re-learned how to speak as a toddler.

**BEST ADVICE BEVERAGE**  Hire for horsepower, not for skill. Red wine.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** ALMA MATER

I ride motorcycles.

Ph.D., Princeton University.

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

I wear black nail polish on one hand.

I want to travel the world by cargo ship. I like to read during my spare time. Also, I love

'80s music and enjoy listening to heavy metal.

#### **SCOTT MINERD**

Managing Partner, Global Chief **Investment Officer** Guggenheim Partners

In his role as global chief investment officer, Scott Minerd guides Guggenheim Partners' investment strategies and oversees client accounts across a broad range of fixed-income and equity securities.



Previously, Minerd was a managing director with Credit Suisse First Boston in charge of trading and risk management for the Fixed Income Credit Trading Group. Prior to that, Minerd was Morgan Stanley's London-based European Capital Markets Products Trading and Risk manager. Minerd has also held capital markets positions with Merrill Lynch and Continental Bank.

## **KEN MOELIS**

Chairman and Chief Executive Moelis & Co.

Ken Moelis runs a global independent investment bank that provides strategic advice and solutions to a diverse client base, including corporations, governments, and financial sponsors. Moelis has more than 30 years of investment



banking experience. Prior to founding Moelis & Co., he worked from 2001 to 2007 at UBS, where he was president of UBS Investment Bank. Before joining UBS, Moelis was head of corporate finance at Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette, where he worked from 1990 through 2000. He serves on the board of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.

#### JAMIE MONTGOMERY

Managing Director March Capital Partners

Jamie Montgomery is a cofounder and managing director of technology investment company March Capital Partners. He has 20 years of growth stage technology investment experience with multiple successful exits achieved. He was the



chief executive of Montgomery & Co., a leading Los Angeles-based investment bank for the support of technology focused growth stage companies. He is the founder of the Montgomery Summit, which gathers leading investors, corporate executives, and entrepreneurs in Santa Monica each March. Montgomery and his family are active philanthropists and volunteers, supporting a wide range of organizations with a focus on education, technology, and child welfare.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Meeting entrepreneurs who are building businesses they think can make a big difference.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

I started Montgomery & Co. with \$50. To

say we were "thinly capitalized" would be an understatement.

MOST EXCITED

Compound returns!

**BEST ADVICE** 

Live in the moment but plan to live a very

long time.

**BEVERAGE** 

A very good Pinot Noir.

BA, University of California, San Diego; MA, **ALMA MATERS** 

Cambridge University.

A private audience with the Pope.

**BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

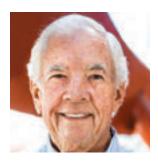
Family/Gold.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Australia.

#### PETER W. MULLIN

Chairman Mullin Barens Sanford Financial

Peter W. Mullin is founding chairman of Mullin Barens Sanford Financial. He is also a chairman of M Financial Re, a national reinsurance company. Mullin has consulted on executive compensation and benefit issues for more than 40



years for public and privately held firms across a variety of industries, including many Fortune 500 companies. He serves on the boards of Main Management, Good Samaritan Hospital, Art Center College of Design, and St. John's Health Center, and is chairman emeritus of Occidental College. He is a past chairman and current visitors board member of UCLA's Anderson Graduate School of Management. He is also chairman of the Music Center Foundation and Petersen Automotive Museum, and president of the American Bugatti Club.

#### **CHARLES T. MUNGER**

Chairman, Daily Journal Corp. Vice Chairman, Berkshire Hathaway

Best known as vice chairman of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., Charles Munger is also chairman of Daily Journal Corp., which owns newspapers targeted at the legal



industry. Its largest publications are the Los Angeles Daily Journal and San Francisco Daily Journal. The company also owns Journal Technologies. Before becoming the right-hand man of Warren Buffett, Munger served as chairman of Wesco Financial Corp. from 1984 through 2011. He is also a director of Costco Wholesale Corp. Munger has given large philanthropic gifts to the University of Michigan and UC Santa Barbara.

#### **BRUCE MUNSTER**

Private Wealth Adviser Merrill Lynch/Munster Freeman Group

Bruce Munster is a principal of the Munster Freeman Group, a mergers and acquisitions-focused advisory practice within the private banking and investment group at Merrill Lynch that manages more than \$1.7 billion for 40 families. Munster,



who began working in the financial services industry in 1999, advises clients on their personal wealth management concerns related to M&A transactions in a variety of industries, including aerospace & defense, technology, specialty finance, consumer products, business services, and real estate. He has garnered a number of national honors as a Financial Advisor including one of "America's Top Wealth Advisors 2016" by Forbes. He serves on the board of SRD Straightening Reigns and is active with the Association for Corporate Growth. He lives in Valencia with his wife Therese and their three children.

#### PALMER MURRAY

President, Managing Partner, Co-Chief Investment Officer LourdMurray

Palmer Murray joined Lourd Capital Management in 2012, and the name was changed to LourdMurray to reflect his role as president, managing partner, and co-chief investment officer. Prior to joining LourdMurray,

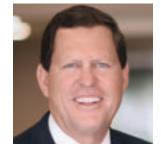


he was an executive director at Morgan Stanley Private Wealth Management from 1997 to 2012 and senior vice president at TCW from 1992 to 1997. He is on the Advisory Board of KIPP Schools and vice president and treasurer of the Otis Booth Foundation.

#### CHRISTOPHER MYERS

Chief Executive Citizens Business Bank

Christopher Myers joined Citizens Business Bank as chief executive in 2006. CVB Financial Corp. the holding company for Citizens Business Bank, is the ninth-largest bank holding company headquartered in California, with assets of about



\$8.6 billion. Recognized as one of the top-performing banks in the nation, it serves the Inland Empire, Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Ventura, and Santa Barbara counties, and the Central Valley. Myers was previously chairman and chief executive of Mellon First Business Bank. He is a member of the California Bankers Association board and of the UCLA Anderson School of Management's Fink Center for Finance and Investments.

**ENJOY MOST TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** PROUDEST MOMENT Helping clients achieve their goals. The 2008-2011 recession. Being named top bank in the nation by Forbes.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Focus your business where you can be the subject-matter expert.

MOST EXCITED BEVERAGE **CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS BUCKET LIST** 

HOBBY/PASSION

Technology, although it scares me too. Coors Light or Sea Smoke Southing. Range Rover Sport.

BA, Harvard University; MBA, UCLA. Climb Mount Kilimanjaro and go on safari

through the Serengeti.

Games involving risk and strategy: chess, backgammon, gin rummy, poker.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Martha's Vineyard.

#### **MARC B. NATHANSON**

Chairman

Mapleton Investments/RDS Real Estate

Marc B. Nathanson is chairman of Mapleton Investments, a diversified investment holding company, and of Falcon Waterfree Technologies, the largest water-free urinal manufacturer and distributer in the world. In 2012, then-Secretary of State Hillary



Clinton appointed Nathanson as her representative to the board of the East-West Center in Honolulu. Nathanson serves on the board of the Pacific Council on International Policy and as vice chairman of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs. He was also founding chairman of the Homeland Security Advisory Council for Los Angeles. Nathanson previously founded and served as chairman and chief executive of Falcon Cable TV.

#### **DOMINIC NG**

Chairman and Chief Executive East West Bank

Dominic Ng heads East West Bank, a full-service international and commercial bank focusing on the United States and China, which has assets of \$27.6 billion. He is a board member of Mattel Inc. and member of USC's board of trustees, 100,000



Strong Foundation's Advisory Council, and advisory committee of the Resnick Sustainability Institute at Caltech. From 2011 to 2014, he served as chairman of the Committee of 100, promoting mutual understanding and collaborative partnership between the United States and China. From 2005 to 2011, he served on the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Los Angeles branch.

#### PETER NOLAN

Chairman Nolan Capital Inc.

Peter Nolan founded Nolan Capital Inc. in 2014 as the holding company for his family office to make long-term investments in growth-oriented companies. Nolan was previously a managing partner



at Leonard Green & Partners, along with Jon Sokoloff and John Danhakl. Leonard Green is currently investing its \$9.6 billion Fund VII and has \$24 billion in Assets Under Management. Nolan remains a senior adviser to the firm. He was previously a managing director and co-head of DLJ's (now Credit Suisse) Los Angeles Investment Banking division. Prior to DLJ, Nolan was a first vice president at Drexel Burnham Lambert in Beverly Hills. He serves on the boards of Diamond Wipes International, Fresh Brothers, LA Fresh Group Inc., AerSale Holdings Inc., Activision Inc., and Motorsport Aftermarket Group. He is a trustee emeritus for Cornell University and is a member of the Investment Committee for the university's endowment.

#### **SEAN PARKER** Chief Executive Parker Foundation

In June 2015, philanthropist and entrepreneur Sean Parker announced a \$600 million contribution to launch the Parker Foundation to focus on life sciences, global public health, and civic engagement. He is a co-founder of file-sharing



service Napster and former Facebook president. He joined venture capital firm the Founders Fund in 2005 as a managing partner and worked there for nearly 10 years. He also co-founded Causes, which developed an application for Facebook users to mobilize groups of people for the purposes of advocacy and to solicit donations for philanthropic purposes.

## **JOAN A. PAYDEN**

Chief Executive Payden & Rygel

Joan A. Payden established Payden & Rygel, a global investment management firm, in 1983. She has overseen its international expansion and growth to more than \$100 billion in assets under management. Prior to founding Payden & Rygel, she



was managing director of West Coast operations for Scudder Stevens & Clark. She sits on the boards of UCLA's Anderson School of Management, USC, Loyola Marymount University, and Occidental College. She is also a board member of the Los Angeles Sports Council and Natural History Museum of Los Angeles.

## ANTHONY PRITZKER

Managing Partner Pritzker Group

Tony Pritzker is founder and managing partner of Pritzker Group. He has spent more than 20 years leading middle-market manufacturing and distribution companies. From 2004 to 2007, he was chairman of AmSafe



Partners, the leader in aircraft seating restraints. From 2000 to 2004 he was president of Baker Tanks, the nation's leading tank and pump equipment rental business. In 1998, he was appointed by the

Marmon Group to oversee Stainless Industrial Cos., a portfolio of several industrial manufacturing companies. Prior to 1998, Pritzker directed operations in Asia for Getz Bros. & Co., while at the same time serving as Group Executive at the Marmon Group. He chairs UCLA's Institute of the Environment and Sustainability and co-chairs the UCLA Centennial Campaign Committee. He also serves on the boards of the Hammer Museum, the L.A. County Museum of Art, and Foster Care Counts.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working with my brother, J.B. He's my most

trusted ally and best friend.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

There was a negotiation with one company several years ago that took an especially negative turn. Ultimately, it brought everyone in the negotiation closer together and we were able

to develop a solution that worked for all involved. PROUDEST MOMENT Seeing my sister Penny installed as the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, and seeing my

brother J.B. honored by Ernst and Young as a

master entrepreneur.

**BEST ADVICE** Don't compromise when it comes to working

with great talent.

**ALMA MATERS** BA, Dartmouth College; MBA, University

of Chicago.

**FUN FACT** I've successfully completed eight Ironman

triathlons and 22 marathons.

**BUCKET LIST FAVORITE DESTINATION** HOBBY/PASSION

I'd like to bike around the island of Sicily. Anywhere with my family.

Triathlons and cycling.

#### **ERIK RANNALA**

Managing Partner Mucker Capital

Prior to co-founding Mucker Capital, Erik Rannala was at Harrison Metal Capital, a successful seed-stage venture capital firm in Silicon Valley. Rannala spent more than four years at eBay, where he held a variety of positions, including leadership of its



premium features business. He was an early member of Accenture's first practice group dedicated to internet strategy and development.

## MARC RAPAPORT

Principal Thorofare Capital

Marc Rapaport is a private investor with a wide range of operational experience. Rapaport began his investment banking career at Drexel Burnham Lambert in 1983, after practicing law in Los Angeles. He co-founded the capital division of



Jefferies & Co. in 1990 and served as its executive vice president. He was also a director of Jefferies and a member of the firm's executive committee until 1994. From 1995 until 1998, Rapaport was chairman of the Los Angeles Galaxy and lead investor in the team. Rapaport had been a founder of Major League Soccer. He is the chairman of the Cedars Sinai Health System board.

**ALMA MATERS** 

Bachelor's, University of Pennsylvania; JD, Harvard Law School.

## TONY P. RESSLER

Chairman and Chief Executive Ares Management

Antony Ressler is a co-founder and chairman and chief executive of Ares Management. He is a partner in Ares Private Equity Group and serves as chairman of the management committee. Since June 2015, Ressler has served as the principal owner and



chairman of the Atlanta Hawks. In the nonprofit sector, Ressler is a member of the board of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, is co-chairman of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and a member of the board of Georgetown University.

#### **BRYANT R. RILEY**

Chairman and Chief Executive B. Riley & Co.

Bryant R. Riley is chairman and chief executive of B. Riley & Co., a leading full-service investment bank; chairman and chief executive officer of publicly traded Great American Group Inc.; and managing member of B. Riley Asset Management.



Since founding B. Riley in Los Angeles in 1997, Riley has expanded the firm opportunistically into a broker dealer with offices in major U.S. financial markets. Prior to founding B. Riley, he held a variety of positions in the brokerage industry, primarily as an institutional salesman and trader. From 1993 to 1997 Riley was a co-head of equity at Dabney-Resnick Inc., a Los Angeles brokerage firm. From 1991 to 1993 he was a co-founder of Huberman-Riley, a Texas brokerage.

#### BENNETT ROSENTHAL

Partner, Co-head of Privoke Equity Ares Management

Bennett Rosenthal is a director and partner of Ares Management. He is co-head of its private equity group and a member of the management committee. Rosenthal joined Ares in 1998 from Merrill Lynch & Co., where he served as a managing

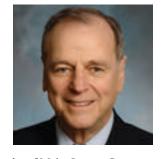


director in the Global Leveraged Finance Group. He serves on the boards of City Ventures, Jacuzzi Brands Corp., Nortek Inc., Serta International, and Simmons Bedding Co., among other private companies.

## ALAN ROTHENBERG

Chairman 1st Century Bank

Alan Rothenberg is chairman of 1st Century Bank as well as Premier Partnerships, a company that looks to maximize revenue for facilities through the sale of naming rights and sponsorships. He was a partner at Manatt Phelps Rothenberg & Phillips



and Latham & Watkins. He is a co-founder of Major League Soccer

and the United States Soccer Foundation, and has been chairman of the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Los Angeles Sports Council, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, and Los Angeles Tourism and Convention Board.

#### **REBECCA ROTHSTEIN**

Managing Director Rothstein Group/Merrill Lynch

Rebecca Rothstein works with high-net-worth individuals, families, and institutions, helping them advance their wealth management goals. As a managing director in the private banking and investment group, Rothstein focuses on wealth



management, tax minimization, and estate planning strategies for affluent clients. She also works with corporate officers, devising liquidity and diversification strategies for concentrated positions. She began her career as a financial adviser in 1987 at Bear Stearns. She spent 10 years with Deutsche Bank Alex Brown and 13 years with Morgan Stanley Private Wealth Management before joining Merrill Lynch. She is a board member of the Early Childhood Partial Hospitalization Program at UCLA; K9 Connection, a project of the Ocean Park Community Center that mentors at-risk teens; and of the UCLA Health System. She is also chairman and founder of Teen Cancer America.

#### **CHRIS SACCA**

Partner Lowercase Capital

Chris Sacca is an accomplished venture investor, entrepreneur, and adviser. As the proprietor of his holding company Lowercase Capital, he managed a portfolio of more than 80 consumer web, mobile, and wireless technology start-ups, as well



as an array of mature enterprises through his holding company. Sacca announced in 2017 that he would step away from venture investing for an indefinite time to focus on his family. While primarily known for its investments in seed and early stage technology companies such as Twitter, Uber, Instagram, and Kickstarter, Lowercase has quietly grown to be one of the larger venture funds in the United States. Previously, Sacca served as head of special initiatives at Google Inc. He was on the founding team of the company's new business development organization and has starred on the entrepreneurial show "Shark Tank."

#### DANA SETTLE Partner

**Greycroft Partners** 

Dana Settle is a founding partner with Greycroft. She heads the firm's West Coast office out of Los Angeles. Prior to Greycroft, Settle spent several years as a venture capitalist and advisor to startup companies in the Bay



Area, including six years at Mayfield. She serves or observes on the boards of Greycroft's investments in AppAnnie, EBTH.com, Steelhouse, TheRealReal, CMG, and WideOrbit. She also managed the firm's investments in Maker Studios (sold to Disney), Viddy

(sold to FullScreen), AwesomenessTV (sold to Dreamworks), Digisynd (sold to Disney), and Trunk Club (sold to Nordstrom). She previously worked at Truveo, Lehman Brothers, and McCaw Cellular Communications.

> **ENJOY MOST** Getting to work with brilliant entrepreneurs to

help them realize their dreams.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE Raising our first institutional fund in 2009,

Greycroft II, immediately following the financial crisis, as a relatively new team and while

pregnant with my first son.

PROUDEST MOMENT The birth of my first son a couple of weeks after

closing Greycroft II.

MOST EXCITED The amazing things that will be done through

the collaboration of human creativity and data. Do something you care deeply about and that you

**BEST ADVICE** think about when you wake up every day naturally.

Blue Bottle almond milk latte and spicy

margarita (depending on time of day!).

**ALMA MATERS** BA, University of Washington;

MBA, Harvard University.

**FUN FACT** I've run two marathons and have climbed

Mt. Rainier.

#### ROBERT SINNOTT

Co-Chairman Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors

Since joining Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors in 1992, Robert Sinnott founded and built the firm's energy platform into one of the largest energy investment firms in the country, with more than \$22 billion in investments. He maintains

**BEVERAGE** 



a direct management role in the firm's energy private equity group. In addition, Sinnott is a board member of Plains All American Pipeline and a director of California Resources Corp., California's largest independent oil and natural gas producer. From 1981 to 1992 he was a member of Citibank's LBO Swat team.

> **ENJOY MOST** Making successful investments on behalf of

our limited partners and providing a working environment that others can prosper.

PROUDEST MOMENT Making an investment which provided

turnaround capital to a firm which is now one of America's largest and best-run companies.

Respect what the market is telling you, and if you disagree with the market, understand how

your view differs.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** Audi sedan.

**BEST ADVICE** 

BA, University of Virginia; MBA, **ALMA MATERS** 

Harvard University.

## TIMOTHY J. SLOAN

Chief Executive Wells Fargo & Co.

Tim J. Sloan was elected chief executive of Wells Fargo & Co. and named to the board in October 2016. He became president in November 2015. Previously he served as chief operating officer from November 2015 to October 2016. In that role,



Tim was responsible for the operations of the company's four main business groups: community banking, consumer lending, wealth and investment management, and wholesale banking. Prior to joining Wells Fargo in the loan adjustment group in 1987, he worked for Continental Illinois Bank in Chicago. Sloan serves on the board of the Huntington Library and is a trustee of the City of Hope. He also is a member of the California Institute of Technology board and the advisory board of the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business.

#### JONATHAN SOKOLOFF

Managing Partner Leonard Green & Partners

Jonathan Sokoloff joined Leonard Green & Partners, one of the nation's leading private equity firms, in 1990 and has invested in more than 80 companies. Previously, Sokoloff was a managing director in corporate finance at Drexel Burnham Lambert, which he



joined in 1985. Prior to Drexel, Sokoloff was a principal of Hambrecht & Quist, and prior to that, he was with Woodman Kirkpatrick & Gilbreath and Merrill Lynch & Co. Sokoloff serves on the boards of Advantage Solutions; the Container Store, Jo-Ann Stores, Shake Shack Inc., Pure, Signet Jewelers, Topshop/Topman Holdings Ltd., and Union Square Hospitality Group.

#### MARC STERN

Chairman TCW Group Inc.

Marc Stern is chairman of TCW, a Los Angeles-based asset management firm. Prior to taking this role in 2013, Stern served as the firm's chief executive from 2009 to 2012, as vice chairman from 2005 to 2013, and as president from 1990



to 2005. From 2007 to 2013, he was a member of the management committee of Société Générale Group. Prior to joining TCW in 1990, Stern was president of SunAmerica Inc. He is a director of Qualcomm Inc., a co-owner of the Milwaukee Brewers, and is chairman of the Los Angeles Opera.

#### STEVE STREIT

Chief Executive Green Dot Corp.

Steve Streit is founder and chief executive of Green Dot Corp., a bank holding company. As a pioneer of the prepaid debit card industry, Streit is a pioneer in the financial services industry and an advocate for low- and moderate-income



communities. Since its founding in 1999, Green Dot has become the nation's largest provider of reloadable prepaid debit cards and is a leader in mobile banking and financial technology. He formed the family charity, Patti's Way, a foundation focused on low-income single moms and their children. He is also a volunteer mentoring Los Angeles County foster children.

#### **MARK SUSTER**

Managing Partner **Upfront Ventures** 

Mark Suster is managing partner at Upfront Ventures. He joined the firm in 2007 after having previously worked with the venture capital firm for nearly eight years as a two-time entrepreneur. Before joining Upfront, Suster founded



and was chief executive of Koral, which was acquitted by Salesforce. com. He became vice president of product management Salesforce after the acquisition. Suster was also founder and chief executive of BuildOnline, a European software company that was acquired by Sword Group. Earlier in his career, Suster spent nearly 10 years working for Accenture in Europe, Japan, and the United States. He also writes a prominent tech industry blog called "Both Sides of the Table."

#### AMIR TEHRANI

Managing Partner Legacy Angel Ventures

Amir Tehrani was the first entrepreneur-in-residence for the City of Los Angeles, working closely with local companies to source capital and provide support, while also identifying opportunities for the city to foster innovation and



entrepreneurship. He also worked closely with the White House to co-found National Entrepreneurs Day. After working for several years at Deloitte Consulting, where he advised Fortune 100 companies, Tehrani founded Allied Group Inc., an L.A.-based consumer products company, and Coleman Living, a joint-venture partner of Coleman Co. Tehrani is also the founder of the Legacy Foundation, an organization dedicated to bringing together innovative entrepreneurs across America to foster collaboration.

#### **DENNIS A. TITO** Chairman and Chief Executive Wilshire Associates

Dennis A. Tito is a founder. chairman, and chief executive of Wilshire Associates. A native New Yorker, Tito became the world's first paying space traveler in 2001, when he flew with a Russian crew aboard a Soyuz spacecraft to the International



Space Station. He started his career as a rocket scientist and worked for five years for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in the 1960s. There, he applied computing technologies to help plot the trajectories for the Mariner spacecraft mission to Mars. After helping to found Wilshire Associates in 1972, Tito created the Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index, the broadest measure of the U.S. securities markets. He is credited with helping to develop the field of quantitative investment analysis, using mathematical tools to calculate market risks.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Having a successful, stable, profitable

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Attracting leadership talent and developing a successful management team.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Achieving a 40-year goal of orbiting the earth

in a space craft.

**BEST ADVICE** Maintain a balance between growth

and profitability and if possible, minimize

downside risk.

MOST EXCITED The 50th anniversary of the founding of

Wilshire Associates on Feb. 9, 2022.

**FUN FACT** I'm a licensed jet pilot.

**BUCKET LIST** Achieve No. 1 ranking in the world for cross-

country soaring.

**BEVERAGE** Bombay Sapphire martini. **CAR YOU DRIVE** Ferrari F12 Berlinetta. HOBBY/PASSION Gliding, sailing, and running.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

#### TOM UNTERMAN

Founding Partner Rustic Canyon Partners

Tom Unterman is founding partner of Rustic Canyon Partners, which he started in 1999. From 1992 through 1999, he held several executive positions at Times Mirror Co., finally as its executive vice president and chief financial officer. Prior to joining



Times Mirror, he was a partner at Morrison & Foerster. He is a trustee of CalSTRS, and director of the California Community Foundation, CalArts, Los Angeles Museum of Contemporary Art, Advancement Project, Mayor's Fund (Los Angeles), and Heal the Bay.

#### **MATTHEW WAGNER**

Chief Executive Pacific Western Bank

Matthew Wagner is head of Pacific Western Bank, a business lender with more than \$21 billion in assets. He is also president of the community bank division, as well as chief executive, president, and director of PacWest Bancorp. Prior to joining Pacific



Western Bank in 2000, Wagner was chief executive and president of Western Bancorp from 1996 to 1999, when Western Bancorp was acquired by U.S. Bancorp. Wagner previously served as an executive vice president with U.S. Bancorp from 1990 to 1996, and as a senior vice president from 1985 to 1990.

#### **ERIC D. WEDBUSH**

Managing Director, Wedbush Capital President. Wedbush Inc.

Eric Wedbush directs Wedbush's investment activities, oversees its strategic initiatives, and serves on its board. His specific industry experience and focus includes consumer products and services, basic manufacturing, financial services,



environmental, and specialty retailing. Prior to joining Wedbush in 2000, he spent 10 years as an executive with Wedbush Securities in the equity capital markets group, most recently as the director of equity research. Prior to his role as director of research, Wedbush



was a managing director of investment banking. Wedbush began his private equity career with Wedbush Capital Partners, an institutional investment partnership where he completed several management buyouts and growth financings for lower middle-market companies.

#### TIM WENNES

West Coast President and Head of Regional Bank **MUFG Union Bank** 

Tim Wennes is West Coast president for Union Bank. He began his banking career in 1989 and joined Union Bank in 2008. He was named vice chairman in 2010 and assumed the role of West Coast president



in July 2014. Wennes oversees commercial banking, real estate industries, wealth markets, residential lending, retail banking, and private banking, which serve nearly 1 million clients in California, Oregon, and Washington and represent \$60 billion in loans and \$54 billion in deposits. Wennes sits on the boards of the Consumer Bankers Association and the California Business Roundtable, serves on the global board of Operation HOPE, and is a national trustee for Boys & Girls Clubs of America in the Pacific Region. He is also on the corporate advisory board for the USC Marshall School of Business.

#### **GARY WINNICK**

Chairman and Chief Executive Winnick & Co.

Gary Winnick, chairman and chief executive of Winnick & Co., has sourced in excess of \$100 billion to fund transformative technologies and corporate innovation, providing capital and counsel to dozens of companies in a wide range



of industries. Winnick founded Global Crossing and Asia Global Crossing, builder of the first integrated global fiber-optic network. Winnick was a senior executive at Drexel Burnham Lambert in its high-yield and convertible bond group. He sits on the boards of the Museum of Modern Art and the Simon Wiesenthal Center.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Helping pave the way for Google and the future of the internet by building the first privately owned global fiber-optic network. Work with people who elevate your game. I studied kickboxing from the

**BEST ADVICE FUN FACT** 

world champion.

ALMA MATER HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  Bachelor's, Long Island University. Architecture, art, and education. The Amalfi Coast of Southern Italy.

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#### **WILLIAM AHMANSON**

President Ahmanson Foundation

William "Bill" H. Ahmanson began a career in banking at Home Savings of America, where he worked for 17 years. He began there as a teller and ended as chief underwriter for Home's California residential lending division. After six years in



Union Bank's wealth management division, Ahmanson retired from banking and is now president of the Ahmanson Foundation, which concentrates its funding on the arts, education, medicine, health care, and programs related to homelessness and low-income populations. In 1986, he began his service to the city of Los Angeles as a Los Angeles Police Reserve line officer.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Assisting organizations that make a difference

in the lives of Angelenos.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The Foundation has been recognized in a number of our service areas as being a customer focused, humble contributor and as a stable/consistent provider.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Get out from behind your desk, go outside, look right, look left, and have open eyes to an area or opportunity you have missed.

BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE BUCKET LIST HOBBY/PASSION

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Depends on the time. Is it 5 yet?
2002 Toyota RAV4 Electric.

Never complete a bucket list.

Automobiles of the '30s and '40s.

Anywhere in the U.S.

## FRED ALI Chief Executive Weingart Foundation

Fred Ali began his career in 1972 as a volunteer teacher and counselor in a small western Alaska village. He held a number of key positions in the state over the next 19 years, including deputy director of the State Employment and Training Agency;



president of Kuskokwim Community College; and vice chancellor of the University of Alaska, Anchorage. He became the executive director of Covenant House in Los Angeles in 1991. He was elected president of the Weingart Foundation in June 1999 and named chief executive in 2006. He serves as chairman of Center on Philanthropy and Public Policy at USC and as a senior fellow for the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Advancing social and economic equity in

Southern California.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Making peace with the fact that to be successful in this work, you need to focus your resources where they can have the greatest

impact.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The foundation decided to increase grant payout at the height of the financial crisis to shore up the safety net in Southern California. Leveraging resources across sectors to create greater impact.

MOST EXCITED

ALMA MATER

Bachelor's, Santa Clara University;

**BUCKET LIST** 

Master's, University of Michigan.

A trip to Europe to watch soccer in England,

Spain, and Germany.

**BEVERAGE** Water.

**ANDREW J. BALES** 

Chief Executive Union Rescue Mission

The Rev. Andrew J. Bales is chief executive of Union Rescue Mission in downtown's Skid Row. Since URM was established in 1891, it has continuously served the most desperate members of the Los Angeles community. Bales joined the



staff in 2005, and immediately began assisting in the development of transitional housing for mothers and children and worked to develop the mission's Hope Gardens Family Center. He has played a pivotal role in halting area hospital and governmental policies that have dumped patients onto Skid Row. Bales previously served as associate pastor of community outreach at Lake Avenue Church in Pasadena.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Changing lives.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Battling kidney and heart failure and facing

leadership challenges.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Women and children at Hope Gardens

honoring me on Father's Day.

ALMA MATERS FUN FACT BA, Bethel College; MA, Drake University I was a regular part of "Gong Show" and a friend of Chuck Barris in the '70s. He called

me "Crazy Andy."

BUCKET LIST HOBBY/PASSION Work in a refugee camp. Biking long distance.

#### LYNN A. BOOTH

President Otis Booth Foundation

Lynn A. Booth is president of the Otis Booth Foundation and the Evening Star Foundation, which support philanthropic causes throughout Southern California. Actively involved in a variety of civic and community organizations, she is a



member of the advisory board of the Los Angeles Library Foundation, the board of the Pacific Council on International Policy, the World Affairs Council, and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association. She is a trustee emeritus of Chapman University and serves on the board of trustees of the California Institute of Technology.

#### **ELISE BUIK**

Chief Executive United Way of Greater Los Angeles

Elise Buik became the first female president and chief executive of United Way of Greater Los Angeles in 2005. She was inspired to join UWGLA in 1994 due to her strong belief in the organization's mission, and her personal desire



and responsibility to dedicate her career to helping others. Beginning her tenure in the marketing department, Buik has been instrumental in transforming the nonprofit into a community impact organization that identifies social issues, convenes experts, partners with other organizations, and crafts innovative solutions and policy. Under her leadership, UWGLA launched a strategic 10-year action plan called Creating Pathways Out of Poverty. She is on the board of the Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board.

#### **JAMES CUNO Chief Executive** J. Paul Getty Trust

James Cuno joined the Trust as president and chief executive in August 2011. A national and international museum leader and scholar, Cuno was president and Eloise W. Martin Director of the Art Institute of Chicago before joining the



Getty. Prior to directing the Art Institute of Chicago, he was the director and professor of the Courtauld Institute of Art, University of London; the Harvard University Art Museums and professor of the history of art and architecture at Harvard; director of the Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College; director of the Grunwald Center for the Graphic Arts, UCLA; and assistant professor of art, Vassar College

#### **BEN GOLDHIRSH**

**Chief Executive Goldhirsh Foundation** 

Ben Goldhirsh is chief executive of the Goldhirsh Foundation, built to help social innovators implement and scale solutions to critical societal challenges. His eponymous foundation works to identify the brightest emerging talent and give



them the tools to best support their success. The Goldhirsh Foundation has been making grants for almost a decade, but was relaunched in 2012 in Los Angeles. Goldhirsh is also co-founder and chief executive of Good, a global community of, by, and for pragmatic idealists working toward individual and collective progress. He is also a cofounder and board member of City Year Los Angeles.

#### SHANE MURPHY **GOLDSMITH**

Chief Executive Liberty Hill Foundation

Before becoming president and chief executive of the Liberty Hill Foundation, Shane Murphy Goldsmith served as Liberty Hill's vice president and chief program officer. She was responsible for the



day-to-day oversight of Liberty Hill's programs, including training, grantmaking, and campaigns, as well as its operations and finance departments. Prior to joining Liberty Hill, Goldsmith was the executive director of Path Ventures, an affordable housing development agency. Prior to that, she served as a senior adviser to then-City Council President Eric Garcetti for four years. Goldsmith sits on the Los

Angeles Board of Police Commissioners, is co-chair of the California Executive Alliance for Boys and Men of Color So-Cal Region and is a member of the Southern California Grantmakers board.

#### **ANTONIA HERNÁNDEZ**

Chief Executive California Community Foundation

Antonia Hernández is a nationally recognized expert in the fields of social justice and philanthropy. She joined the California Community Foundation as president and chief executive in 2004 from her post as president and general counsel



of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. She began her legal career as a staff attorney with the Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice. Hernández is a board member of the American Automobile Association, Council of Foundations, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Grameen America, and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation.

#### STEVEN M. HILTON

Chairman Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

Steven M. Hilton has worked in the field of philanthropy for more than 30 years. In 1983, he joined the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, established by his grandfather, initially holding the positions of program assistant and program



associate. In 1989, he was named vice president of programs and was elected to the board. He was named president in 1998, chief executive in 2005, and chairman in 2012. While he retired as president and chief executive, he remains involved in the foundation's work as chairman. Hilton oversees the foundation's worldwide humanitarian work. Prior to joining the foundation, Hilton worked for five years in hotel management with Hilton Hotels Corp. and was involved in aquaculture businesses in California and Hawaii.

#### WILLIAM BARRON HILTON

Chairman Emeritus Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

Retired chairman, president, and chief executive of Hilton Hotels Corp., Barron Hilton joined the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation in 1950 and served as board chair from 2007 to 2012. Hilton has committed



the bulk of his personal fortune to the foundation bearing his father's name. He stepped down from the board in 2014 after 64 years of distinguished service. In 1960, he founded the Los Angeles Chargers professional football team and one year later moved the franchise to San Diego. He is a veteran of the United States Navy, having served during World War II.

#### **GLORYA KAUFMAN**

Chairman Glorya Kaufman Dance Foundation

Philanthropist Glorya Kaufman has had a lifelong love for and involvement with dance. She was married to Donald Bruce Kaufman, who helped found Kaufman & Broad, a Fortune 500 homebuilding company, and after his death began the Glorya



Kaufman Foundation and the Glorya Kaufman Dance Foundation, established in 2008 to provide funding and support to nonprofit organizations in the United States. She is a founding member of the Los Angeles Museum of Contemporary Art, a patron of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and sits on the board of the Geffen Theatre.

#### JOHN E. KOBARA

Executive Vice President, Chief Operating California Community Foundation

After serving on the board of the California Community Foundation for five years, John Kobara was appointed executive vice president and chief operating officer in 2008. He is responsible for all



development, marketing, administrative, grant-making, civic engagement, and donor relations at the foundation, the 39th largest grant-making foundation in the nation. From 2003 to 2008, served as head of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Los Angeles. In 2007, he received the City of Angels Award for his service on behalf of children and families. He was engaged in three pioneering startups traversing education and entertainment.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I help people and institutions understand the unmet and underserved needs in L.A. Attracting philanthropic investments takes

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE PROUDEST MOMENT

persistence, endurance, and innovation. Most recently was the passage of both Prop HHH and Measure H to address homelessness

in L.A.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Focus on your value proposition and how it is differentiated from your competition.

BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE A hearty cabernet. Audi Cabriolet.

**ALMA MATERS BUCKET LIST**  BA, UCLA; MA, Occidental College; MBA, USC To walk the Kumano Kodo pilgrimage.

HOBBY/PASSION

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Oahu, Hawaii.

#### STEWART KWOH

**Executive Director** Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Los Angeles

Stewart Kwoh is a nationally recognized leader and expert in race relations. Asian-American studies, nonprofit organizations, and philanthropies, civil rights, and legal services. In 1983, Kwoh



co-founded Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Los Angeles, the

nation's largest Asian-American legal and civil rights organization. He was named a MacArthur Foundation Fellow in 1998, becoming the first Asian-American attorney and human rights activist to receive the recognition.

#### MARK LORANGER

Chief Executive Chrysalis

Mark Loranger leads Chrysalis, an L.A.-based nonprofit that works with the homeless and those disconnected from the workforce to help them find and retain employment. During his 10 years at the agency, he has led significant expansion of



the organization, including a 60 percent growth in programmatic outcomes, the redevelopment or renovation of all three of its centers, and a doubling of the agency's revenue. In 2016, Chrysalis helped more than 2,300 of its clients find employment.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Leading a great staff, working on an issue that is important to Angelenos, and meeting the most

inspiring people - our clients.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

The perception by employers that men and women with criminal backgrounds won't be

great employees.

MOST EXCITED

The voters of both L.A. City and County have decided to invest serious tax dollars to address

homelessness.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Do much more listening than talking, and remember that the people with the best ideas in an organization are those closest to our clients.

**CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS**  I just leased an all-electric Chew Bolt. Bachelor's, UC Davis; MBA, George

Washington University

**FUN FACT** 

I'm an avid pilot and try to fly at least

once per week.

Tuscany by bike.

**BUCKET LIST** 

Travel throughout Southeast Asia.

HOBBY/PASSION

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

ALBERTO RETANA

Chief Executive Community Coalition

Flying.

Alberto Retana's core values center on the notion that people, love, and compassion - matched with organized power, strategy, and vision – have the potential to transform society. He was selected to lead Community Coalition in July 2015, but he already had a



long history with the nonprofit organization. After attending UCLA, Retana cut his teeth in community organizing at Community Coalition. From 2009 to 2011, he worked for the U.S. Department of Education as director of community outreach, where he organized the department's first National Youth Summit. In 2011, Retana returned to Community Coalition to lead its mass civic engagement strategy to organize 40,000 African American and Latino voters in various campaigns. He also helped build Community Coalition's cultural arm by launching PowerFest – South L.A.'s premier political concert.

**ENJOY MOST** 

I love seeing people transform, not just

because they can change the world, but actually do it themselves.

Still working on it: racism.

Becoming a father.

My kids, Emile and Kahlo. There are no shortcuts, only detours.

Water.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

MOST EXCITED

**CAR YOU DRIVE** 

**BUCKET LIST** 

HOBBY/PASSION

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

**BEST ADVICE** BEVERAGE

Acura TLX.

ALMA MATER Bachelor's, UCLA **FUN FACT** I played water polo in high school.

Electing a black president ... check.

Baseball, and pretending to play the guitar.

Havana, Cuba.

#### **NOLAN V. ROLLINS**

Chief Executive Los Angeles Urban League

Attorney Nolan V. Rollins is the seventh president and chief executive of the Los Angeles Urban League, the Los Angeles affiliate of the National Urban League. He began his professional tenure with the nonprofit as executive vice



president and chief operating officer of the Greater Baltimore Urban League. He ran the Urban League of Greater New Orleans as the city was recovering from Hurricane Katrina before assuming his post in Los Angeles.

#### **ROBERT K. ROSS** Chief Executive California Endowment

Dr. Robert K. Ross has headed the California Endowment, a health foundation established in 1996 to address the health needs of Californians, since 2000. Ross previously served as director of the Health and Human Services Agency



for San Diego County from 1993 to 2000, and commissioner of public health for the city of Philadelphia from 1990 to 1993. His service includes: medical director for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and faculty member at San Diego State University's School of Public Health. He is a diplomate of the American Academy of Pediatrics and serves on the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans, Diversity in Philanthropy Coalition, and the USC Center on Philanthropy and Public Policy.

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# REAL ESTATE



### **JOHN AAROE** Chief Executive John Aaroe Group

John Aaroe launched his eponymous California real estate company in 2009. He began his career in 1975 as an agent with the elite Jon Douglas Co. He formed Douglas Properties in 1980, and was its general manager and a board member from 1988 to 1993,



guiding the firm's growth to 31 offices and 2,000 agents. He left the firm that year to launch Aaroe & Associates. He sold that company in 2000 to Prudential California Realty and was asked to join that firm as third partner and sole executive vice president. In 2002, he played a significant role in the firm's transition to an affiliation with Berkshire Hathaway.

### **DOUG BERNARDS**

Chief Executive Bernards

Doug Bernards has been a part of day-to-day operations of the firm he co-founded with his brothers Greg and Jeff in 1974. A commercial builder and construction management company, Bernards' projects include the Rose Bowl renovation, school



districts throughout Central and Southern California, and colleges and universities including USC and Claremont McKenna. Clients include Orient Hotels, BRE, Caruso Affiliated and international entertainment companies such as Universal Studios and LegoLand.

### STANLEY BLACK

Principal **Black Equities Group** 

Stanley Black has more than 50 years of experience as a developer and owner of income-producing real estate. As co-founder of KB Management, he developed more than 60 office and retail projects from 1955 to '75. The majority of



those properties were sold in the ensuing 10 years and the proceeds reinvested in retail and industrial properties across the country. Upon the death of his partner in 1985, Black formed Black Equities to continue investing in income-producing assets. Black Equities' portfolio consists of investments in about 15 million square feet of improvements. Black and his late wife, Joyce, were active in numerous charities throughout the L.A. area and made notable contributions, including \$13 million to the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

### PHIL BRODKIN Executive Vice President,

Managing Director Newmark Knight Frank

Phil Brodkin is executive vice president, managing director with Newmark Knight Frank overseeing the firm's Los Angeles region, including the downtown Los Angeles,



West Los Angeles, and South Bay offices. Brodkin drives recruitment of top talent, works to further build the firm's market share, and supports enhanced infrastructure development. Brodkin joined NKF in April 2017 from Regus, the world's largest provider of flexible workplaces, where he served as director of real estate. Prior to Regus, Brodkin spent nine years at CBRE. He is a member of the Los Angeles Commercial Realty Association; active in Westcoast Sports Associates, a youth sports organization; and is a founding board member of the Lilabean Foundation for Pediatric Brain Cancer Research.

### **DAVID CALLIS**

Vice President **Swinerton Builders** 

David Callis has been vice president of Swinerton Builders since October 2002. The company, founded in 1888, now maintains a dozen offices in six states and still operates under California contractor's license No. 92 - the one it obtained in 1927 when



the state first began issuing licenses. Many Swinerton-built structures claim a spot on the National Register of Historic Places and other architectural preservation lists. Before joining Swinerton, Callis was a vice president with construction company MBK/Haskell.

### ANDY COHEN

Co-Chief Executive Gensler

Andy Cohen is one of two co-chief executives at Gensler, a global architectural, design and planning firm. He oversees Gensler's global platform and its day-to-day operations, some 5,000-plus people networked across 44 offices, serving



clients in 120-plus countries. Cohen is chairman of Gensler's board and leads the committee responsible for global design innovation initiatives, spearheading design excellence strategies across the firm's 31 diverse practice areas. He is a board member of the UCLA Institute of the Environment and Sustainability and an active member of the World Presidents' Organization.

### **CHARLES S. COHEN**

**Chief Executive** Cohen Brothers Realty Corp.

Charles S. Cohen heads Cohen Brothers, which owns a portfolio of office buildings and design centers in New York; Texas; Florida; and Southern California, including the Pacific Design Center in West Hollywood. He's also chairman



and chief executive of Cohen Media Group. In 2008, Cohen was executive producer of the film "Frozen River," which received two Oscar nominations and was awarded the 2008 Sundance Film Festival Grand Jury Prize. Cohen Media distributed "The Salesman," which won the 2017 Oscar for best foreign-language film. Cohen serves on the boards of the Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles as well as the Public Theater, Real Estate Board of New York, and Film Society of Lincoln Center.

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### **VICTOR J. COLEMAN**

Chairman and Chief Executive **Hudson Pacific Properties** 

Victor J. Coleman is chairman, chief executive, and president of Hudson Pacific Properties, a vertically integrated real estate company focused on developing, acquiring, repositioning and operating high-end office, media,



and entertainment properties on the West Coast. Prior to the formation of the firm, Coleman founded and served as a managing partner of HPP's predecessor, Hudson Capital, a private real estate investment company. In 1990, he co-founded and led Arden Realty as its president, chief operating officer, and director, taking that company public in 1996 and selling it to GE Real Estate in 2006. He is on the boards of the Ziman Center for Real Estate at UCLA's Anderson School of Management, Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics at UC Berkeley, and the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission.

### ARTHUR M. COPPOLA

Chairman and Chief Executive Macerich Co.

Arthur M. Coppola has been chief executive of Macerich Co. since 1993, leading the company in creating retail destinations across the United States. He guides an expansive national portfolio of high-performing retail properties



with a focus on adding value to assets and land holdings. A longtime member of the International Council of Shopping Centers, Coppola served as the 2007 chairman and is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts. A native of Des Moines, Iowa, Coppola joined Macerich in 1976. During his tenure, the company has grown from a privately held real estate enterprise into a publicly owned regional mall company that is part of the S&P 500.

### **BERT DEZZUTTI**

Executive Vice President, Western Region **Brookfield Office Properties** 

Bert Dezzutti's primary responsibilities include the strategic acquisition, development, and management of Brookfield's western region portfolio, which comprises more than 10 million square feet of premier Class-A assets, including



property in downtown Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle. He is responsible for leasing, operations, management, legal, construction, and development. Dezzutti has three decades of commercial real estate experience. He is a graduate of USC, and serves on the boards of the Central City Association, USC Lusk Center for Real Estate, and BOMA of Greater Los Angeles and Orange counties.

### **KEVIN DOW**

Vice President and General Manager Turner Construction Co.

Kevin Dow has more than 32 years of experience in the construction industry, with many of them in operations and preconstruction planning. Dow, vice president and general manager for Turner Construction Co.'s Southern



California business unit, joined Turner in 1982 and was assigned to the Boston business unit. In Southern California, significant clients include Kaiser Permanente, Korean Air Lines, Los Angeles International Airport, and city of Anaheim, among others. He serves on the boards of the ACE Mentor Program for Los Angeles, the Muzeo Museum in Anaheim, City of Hope Real Estate, and Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce.

**ENJOY MOST** 

To create something different with each project

with a new team.

TOUGHEST CHALLENGE

Relocating to California in 2007 and starting over with business and staff relationships. Winning the Wilshire Grand project.

PROUDEST MOMENT **BEST ADVICE** ALMA MATER **BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE** 

Be genuine and humble in everything you do. Bachelor's, Clarkson College.

Play golf in Ireland. Reer

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  Golf and hiking with my wife.

Hawaii.

### **TOM GILMORE**

Principal Gilmore Associates

Tom Gilmore is a developer of residential and commercial properties whose early projects in the city's downtown Historic Core led to the largest resurgence of real estate investment and development the city has experienced in nearly a century.



Gilmore began his career as an architect in New York and relocated to Los Angeles, where he partnered with Jerri Perrone and formed Gilmore Associates. Gilmore was the first developer to utilize the newly minted Adaptive Reuse Ordinance of 1999, which enabled him to convert historic commercial buildings into mixed-use residences. He is chairman of the Southern California Institute of Architecture; Founding Member of the Main Museum; chairman of Sister Cities of Los Angeles; executive committee member, Los Angeles Tourism and Convention Bureau; vice chairman of the Central City Association; and a board member of the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Developing projects and neighborhoods in one

of the most dynamic cities on Earth. **TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Managing to innovate while maintaining

financial growth and stability.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The opening of the Old Bank District and the raising of the cupola on St. Vibiana were both

significant and gratifying moments.

MOST EXCITED The city of Los Angeles is poised to become

> a leading international city by almost any measure and a significant social, cultural, and political force on the national stage.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Your business should serve your humanity, not



**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

the other way around. Ketel, up with a twist.

Audi Q7.

Suffolk Community College.

I was a professional gardener for almost

15 years.

**BUCKET LIST** To have a cocktail with Barack Obama. HOBBY/PASSION Gardenina.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** Liguria, Italy.

Lewis C. Horne is president of the greater Los Angeles-Orange County region for CBRE Group Inc., a leading provider of global commercial real estate services. Horne is responsible for the strategic direction and performance of the firm's eight



regional offices and oversees a 15-person management team across all business segments. Under his leadership, the region has grown to include nearly 1,200 employees with diverse expertise spanning the firm's primary service lines and all specialty practices. Horne and his leadership team support all regional professionals as they manage more than 80 million square feet of commercial properties and annually complete more than 12,000 sale and lease transactions, 500 financial consulting assignments, and thousands of appraisals.

### RONALD L. HAVNER JR.

Chairman and Chief Executive **Public Storage** 

Ronald Havner has been chairman and chief executive of Public Storage since August 2011 and November 2002, respectively. Havner joined Public Storage, an international selfstorage company, in 1986 and has held a variety of senior management



positions. He has been chairman of Public Storage's affiliate, PS Business Parks Inc., since March 1998. He also serves as a director of AvalonBay Communities Inc. and California Resources Corp. Havner was the 2014 chairman of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts Inc.

### RANDY HIGHLAND

President, California Region McCarthy Building Cos. Inc.

Randy Highland joined McCarthy in 1988 and has served in a variety of leadership positions, including preconstruction director, director of parking structures, project director, and executive vice president of operations. He previously served as



president of McCarthy's Nevada-Utah division from 2004 to 2011. Highland brings nearly 32 years of experience in the construction industry to his position as president of the California region, where he oversees all company operations.

Principal and Pacific Regional Director HKS Architects Inc.

SCOTT HUNTER

Scott Hunter is principal and Pacific regional director for HKS Architects, a multinational architecture firm. He has led a wide range of awardwinning projects across the globe, including master planning, workplace environments, government, high-

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PROUDEST MOMENT



rise mixed-use, hospitality, multifamily, academic, and professional sports facilities. A licensed architect in California and Washington state, he is a member of the U.S. Green Building Institute, Westside Urban Forum, and Urban Land Institute, and is a former director for the AIA California Council. Hunter initially focused his creative energy in theater. Through this medium, he learned how impactful images, sound, and light, combined with words and ideas, can create memorable immersive experiences.

### RICK HILTON

Chairman Hilton & Hyland

Co-founded by Rick Hilton in 1993, Beverly Hills-based Hilton & Hyland specializes in select properties throughout Southern California and is an exclusive affiliate of Christie's International Real Estate. A member of the Hilton



hotel family, he has been involved in luxury real estate for more than three decades. He developed Brentwood Country Estates, where home values exceed \$25 million. Hilton was the key component, acting as agent for both buyer and seller, in the record-breaking \$85 million sale of the Candy Spelling estate, which was at the time the largest residential sale in L.A. history.

I am fortunate to meet a wide array of people from many cultures across the globe, all with an idea, dream, or business plan they want to

turn into a reality.

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** Architecture is notoriously tough on the young, yet somehow I kept at it while others went into

the tech sector or otherwise left the profession. I recently was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows, and my dad was able to attend

the ceremony.

MOST EXCITED With climate change and continued global urbanization. how we live 50 years from

> now may be quite different than today. I am motivated by the important role architects will play to help solve these new challenges.

**BEST ADVICE** Stick to what you believe in and build your skills in that area.

**BEVERAGE** Sparkling water, or a nice reposado tequila. BA, Highest Honors, UC Berkeley;

**ALMA MATERS** Master's, Harvard University. **FUN FACT** 

I once performed in an eight-hour stage adaptation of Charles Dickens' "Nicholas Nickleby" and played about 10 different roles.

**BUCKET LIST** Visit Antarctica before all the ice melts and coastal cities and island nations are

### HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**

flooded. That and touring ancient sites in Greece and Egypt.

Snow skiing, travel, and photography. Coming back home after a great trip somewhere.

### JEFF HYLAND

President Hilton & Hyland

Jeff Hyland became a licensed broker in 1975, and from 1980 to 1990 was a founding partner in the brokerage firm Alvarez Hyland & Young. In 1993, Jeffrey Hyland and Rick Hilton co-founded Hilton & Hyland. Hyland has personally handled more than



\$3 billion in real estate transactions, some of which are recognized as the most expensive transactions in California, including the two most expensive transactions in Malibu as well as the sale of the Manor in Holmby Hills for \$85 million. In 2008, Hyland authored and published "The Legendary Estates of Beverly Hills."

### TED HYMAN

Managing Partner **ZGF Architects** 

Ted Hyman is managing partner of ZGF Architects. His 38-year professional career has been concentrated on a broad range of academic and research buildings, hospitals, courthouses, and other civic facilities nationally. During his



26 years at ZGF, he has played a key role in guiding the development of the firm, while also successfully directing and mentoring project teams for premier institutions. He served as president of the L.A. chapter of the American Institute of Architects in 2015.

### **ROBERT JERNIGAN**

Regional Managing Principal Gensler

As co-managing principal for the Southwest region, Rob Jernigan is responsible for Gensler offices in Los Angeles, San Diego, Newport Beach, Phoenix, Las Vegas, and Denver. He also serves on Gensler's board and management committee.



His technical expertise spans more than 32 million square feet of built projects that have reshaped city landscapes worldwide. He has shepherded Gensler's gServe program, which encompasses the firm's community outreach activities and socially conscious design efforts. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, a member of the Urban Land Institute, and serves on the boards of the Design Build Institute of America's Southern California chapter and the Los Angeles Business Council. He has been awarded the AIA California Council's Presidential Citation for changing the face of architecture in Los Angeles.

**ENJOY MOST** 

The interaction with people, both internally at Gensler and externally in the Los Angeles

business community. **TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

Helping people to understand the potential underpinning the growth of our city, and how

important that growth is to our economy. Downtown L.A. sat stagnant for 30 years because it had become an office park. To

have designed and completed one of the largest residential projects, Metropolis, is a

proud moment.

MOST EXCITED The level of urbanization here and across the globe. We have the ability and the responsibility

to create exciting, dynamic environments for us

all to live, work, and play in.

**BEST ADVICE** Have passion and stamina. Commit to whatever it is you're going to do and bring passion and stamina to that commitment.

**BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATER**  Macallan. Audi A7.

Bachelor's, University of Tennessee. **FUN FACT** I jumped out of a plane, twice! And neither

time did I enjoy it.

HOBBY/PASSION Building things with my hands. My house

is in a permanent stage of construction

and remodeling. **FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Anywhere where I can snow ski on a

beautiful day

### JORDAN L. KAPLAN

Chief Executive Douglas Emmett Inc.

Jordan Kaplan has served as chief executive, president, and board member since the founding of Douglas Emmett Inc. He joined the company's predecessor operating companies in 1986, co-founded its immediate predecessor in 1991,



and served as chief financial officer for its predecessor operating companies from 1991 to 2006. Douglas Emmett is a provider of Class-A office properties and luxury apartment communities in Southern California and Honolulu. It has an office portfolio consisting of 66 Class-A properties and a residential portfolio of 10 premier apartment communities totaling 3,336 units.

### **PAUL N. KELLER** Chief Executive

Mack Urban

Paul Keller is a founding principal of Mack Urban, involved with the firms' strategic direction, capital market relationships, and tactical management of all Mack Urban investments. Keller formerly led Urban Partners, Keller Equity Group,



Keller CMS, and Keller Construction Co. He and Keller-related entities have been responsible for more than 2,000 projects in the continental United States and Hawaii, and have provided program development, and project and construction management oversight services to a variety of clients on projects valued in excess of \$7 billion. He is a member of the Urban Land Institute Los Angeles advisory board and land-use leadership committee; a member of

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the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy and Jobs; and serves on the boards of the L.A. Streetcar Initiative, Friends of the L.A. River, Central City Association, and Friends of Waterfront Seattle.

### JOHN KILROY

Chairman and Chief Executive Kilroy Realty

John Kilroy has served as chief executive, president, and a board member of Kilroy Realty since its incorporation in September 1996. He was named chairman in February 2013. Having led its private predecessor, Kilrov Industries, he



became its president in 1981 and was elected chief executive in 1991. Kilroy has been involved in all aspects of commercial and industrial real estate development, construction, acquisition, sales, leasing, financing, and entitlement since 1967. John Kilroy serves on the board of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts and the policy advisory board for the Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics at UC Berkeley.

### STEVEN KOLSKY

**Executive Vice President and Managing** Director Newmark Knight Frank

Steven Kolsky joined Newmark Knight Frank in 2000 as a founding principal in the firm's Southern California operation, where has consistently been a top performer in the region. He has negotiated



transactions of more than 30 million square feet valued in excess of \$4.2 billion and has completed several of Southern California's most significant real estate advisory and corporate occupancy transactions. Kolsky is a past board member and chairman of the Los Angeles Commercial Realty Association, expert panel speaker, and recipient of numerous awards for industry excellence.

### **BRADFORD KORZEN**

Chief Executive Kor Group

As the founder of Kor Group, Brad Korzen has developed a portfolio of resorts, hotels, multifamily properties, and commercial investments. Kor operates as a multifaceted corporation with fully integrated acquisitions,



development, construction, sales, marketing, and management capabilities. Korzen is perhaps best known for his burgeoning collection of Southern California hospitality destinations, including the award-winning hotels Viceroy Palm Springs and Viceroy Santa Monica, and Beverly Hills' famed Avalon Hotel and Maison 140. In 2005, he introduced the company's first international properties, Viceroy Anguilla and the Riviera Maya resort. He also announced a partnership with Related Group to create two Viceroy destinations in Miami and South Beach.

### SHAUL KUBA

Principal **CIM Group** 

Shaul Kuba, co-founder and a principal of CIM Group, has been an active real estate investor for more than 25 years. As head of the firm's development group, he is actively involved in the development, redevelopment, and repositioning



of CIM's real estate investments, including notable projects such as 432 Park Ave. in New York. He serves on the firm's investment and asset management committees. Prior to CIM, Kuba was involved in a number of entrepreneurial real estate activities including co-founding Dekel Development, which developed a variety of commercial and multifamily properties in Los Angeles.

### **BENJAMIN LAMBERT**

Chairman Eastdil Secured

Benjamin Lambert founded Eastdil Inc. in 1967, and Eastdil Secured was created from its 2006 merger with Secured Capital Corp. It is now one of the largest real estate investment banks in the world by volume. Eastdil Secured employs more than 200 people in 14 offices. The combined firm has completed more than \$1.1 trillion in transactions since 2006. Among local activity, the firm represented the seller in a \$96 million deal for a mixed-use property on the Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica and marketed the home of the Los Angeles Times, which was sold to Onni Group in 2016. Lambert also has served on the board of Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.

### JONATHAN LARSEN Principal and Managing Director Avison Young

Jonathan Larsen is leader of commercial real estate company Avison Young's West L.A., Tri-Cities, and Ventura County operations. He oversees delivery of all services to clients, develops new business, and recruits additional talent to enhance



local service offerings. Before joining Avison Young, Larsen was the regional managing principal and served on the board of Cassidy Turley. He started and oversaw the brokerage group for the west region of Transwestern and served on the company's board. Prior to working at Transwestern, he launched, managed, and operated the L.A. office of Trammell Crow Co.

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### **ROBERT J. LOWE** Chairman Lowe Enterprises

Robert Lowe is founder and chairman of Lowe Enterprises, a national real estate company. He is a trustee of the Los Angeles Metropolitan YMCA, chairman emeritus of the Real Estate Roundtable, life trustee and past chairman of Claremont McKenna



College, chairman and co-founder of the Lowe Institute of Political Economy at Claremont McKenna, and a director of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce. He was recently inducted into the Stanford University Real Estate Hall of Fame.

### **ROBERT F. MAGUIRE III**

Principal Maguire Investments

Robert F. Maguire III helped shape the L.A. skyline in the 1980s and 1990s as co-managing partner, with Jim Thomas, of Maguire Thomas Partners. By developing Library Square, including Wells Fargo Center, Grand Place, and the Library Tower,



they made possible the saving and renovation of the historic Central Library, the largest public library west of Chicago and a renowned research institution. Subsequent developments include a partnership with DivcoWest to own, operate, and further develop the Water's Edge office campus in Playa Vista. A UCLA alumnus, Maguire's community service includes directorships and trusteeships at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Performing Arts Center, the Music Center, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, the UCLA Foundation, St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica, and Urban Land Institute.

### **MICHAEL MALTZAN**

Design Principal Michael Maltzan Architecture Inc.

Michael Maltzan founded Michael Maltzan Architecture Inc. in 1995. His designs have been published and exhibited internationally, and he regularly teaches and lectures at architectural schools around the world. He is a fellow of the American



Institute of Architects and a recipient of the American Academy of Arts and Letters Architecture Award. His firm designed One Santa Fe, a 438-unit mixed-use apartment complex in downtown's Arts District, and is working on the Sixth Street Viaduct project.

### **CHRISTOPHER MARTIN**

Chairman and Chief Executive AC Martin Partners Inc.

Christopher C. Martin is the thirdgeneration leader of AC Martin, one of California's most venerable planning and architecture firms. Martin Project Management is the development manager for



the Wilshire Grand redevelopment project in downtown. As chief executive, Martin is resurrecting the role of master architect. He is a fellow of the American Institute of Architects, and sits on the boards of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, Central City Association, Los Angeles Business Federation, and Los Angeles Orthopedic Hospital.

### THOM MAYNE

**Design Director** Morphosis

Thom Mayne, the 2005 Pritzker Architecture Prize laureate, is a founder and design principal of Morphosis, an interdisciplinary and collectively organized architecture firm that was launched in 1972. Types of buildings undertaken



by Morphosis range from residential, institutional, and civic buildings to large urban planning projects. Mayne has taught at Columbia, Harvard, and Yale universities; the Berlage Institute in the Netherlands; and the Bartlett School of Architecture in London. The firm's design for the Bloomberg Center, the first of three buildings in the \$2 billion Cornell Tech campus on New York's Roosevelt Island, received a citation in the 2017 Progressive Architecture Awards.

### ALEX MERUELO

Chairman and Chief Executive Meruelo Group

Alex Meruelo is chairman and chief executive of Meruelo Group. In 1986, he founded La Pizza Loca, a quick-service restaurant catering to the Latino community, expanding it to more than 50 franchised and company-owned outlets. Real



estate development soon followed, and his Meruelo Group now has a diversified portfolio of commercial-retail, residential, and industrial properties. Meruelo Group has interests in construction, engineering, hospitality, gaming, TV, radio, real estate, food services, and private equity. He is a founding shareholder and director of Commercial Bank of California, and is a venture capital and angel investor as well as an activist shareholder and investor in public companies.

### **JEFFREY T. MEZGER**

Chairman and Chief Executive **KB** Home

Jeffrey T. Mezger is chairman, president, and chief executive of KB Home, one of the nation's largest homebuilders. Mezger joined KB Home in 1993, holding various senior management positions. He was appointed chief operating officer



in 1999 and became chief executive in 2006. He is chairman of the policy advisory board of the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University, is on the executive board of USC's Lusk Center for Real Estate and on the policy advisory board of the Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics at UC Berkeley.

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### **HERB NADEL**

**Chief Executive** Nadel Inc.

Herb Nadel is chief executive of Nadel Inc., which he founded in 1973. Nadel began practicing architecture in 1960 after attending the USC School of Architecture. A member of the elite College of Fellows of the American Institute



of Architects, his firm has designed more than 400 office buildings, 60,000 residential units in multifamily and mixed-use developments. and more than 75 million square feet of retail space. Nadel has served on the boards of the Los Angeles Mayor's Cultural Advisory Committee and the Dean's Council of the UCLA School of Architecture and Planning.

### **MICHAEL PALLADINO**

Principal Designer Richard Meier & Partners

As a principal designer of Richard Meier & Partners since 1979, Michael Palladino has created award-winning projects throughout the world. Appointed partner in 1985, he moved to Los Angeles the following year to open the firm's



West Coast office with the primary purpose to design and build the Getty Center. Since that time, he has served as lead designer for the Paley Center for Media in Beverly Hills, the Gagosian Gallery and expansion in Beverly Hills, the Broad Art Center at UCLA, among many others. Among Palladino's recently completed award-winning commissions are the Edie and Lew Wasserman Building at UCLA and the U.S. Courthouse in San Diego.

### **GEOFFREY HARRISON PALMER**

Owner G.H. Palmer Associates

A third-generation California builder and attorney, Geoffrey Harrison Palmer established G.H. Palmer Associates, a diversified real estate company, in 1978. The firm has been involved in a variety of



properties as a general partner for acquisition of land for residential, commercial, and industrial development. It owns a portfolio of more than 10,400 Southern California apartment units, valued in excess of \$3 billion, and is actively seeking to diversify into other markets. The company has acquired and developed about 12,000 residential units throughout Southern California, including singlefamily homes, townhomes, apartments, and condominiums as well as industrial properties.

### **TAMI HALTON PARDEE**

Chief Executive Halton Pardee + Partners

Tami Halton Pardee has been owner and principal broker of Halton Pardee + Partners since 2005 and is responsible for selling more than \$2 billion worth of residential and commercial properties. She spent several years working for a large



corporate entity before she created a business where she could give back to the community in which she was living and working. Pardee created the Life-Changer Program, which participates in and contributes to local charities including Teen Project. Harvest Home. Homeless Task Force, Venice Community Housing Corp., and many more throughout the Westside and all over Los Angeles. She is a member of the Santa Monica chapter of the Young Presidents' Organization.

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Putting people in the right positions within the

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of my children!

BEST ADVICE **BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE ALMA MATERS**  Before making any big decision, sleep on it. Tequila reposado; I love Casamigos! A Sienna Minivan for my kids and a Porsche. Bachelor's, Boston University; MBA, Loyola

Marymount University.

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST**  I used to water-ski professionally! Going on an African safari adventure

with my kids.

### **GERALD PORTER**

Managing Principal Cresa

Gerald Porter is one of the founding principals of Cresa. With more than 55 offices, the company has grown to be North America's largest corporate real estate advisory firm, specializing in tenant representation and corporate services, including



project management. Representing national accounts such as DreamWorks, Oracle, and BAE Systems, Porter has been a broker and an entrepreneur for more than 30 years.

### **KURT RAPPAPORT**

Chief Executive Westside Estate Agency

Kurt Rappaport is co-founder with Stephen Shapiro of Beverly Hillsbased Westside Estate Agency. As of 2015, WEA had more than 100 fulltime agents with offices in Beverly Hills, Malibu, and Miami producing more than \$3 billion in annual sales.



Rappaport has also invested in real estate, media, and technology, including an online digital content company with Carlos Slim and Larry King. In 2007, WEA opened its Malibu office and added its Miami outpost in early 2015.

### WAYNE RATKOVICH

**Chief Executive** Ratkovich Co.

Wayne Ratkovich is founder, president, and chief executive of the Ratkovich Co. His company engages in both new development and the reuse of existing buildings, including nearly 20 properties of historic landmark status. Ratkovich



has developed more than 17 million square feet of office, retail, industrial, and residential properties. In 2013, his firm acquired Macy's Plaza, a 1.8 million-square-foot office, retail, and hospitality property in the heart of downtown Angeles. He is an emeritus trustee of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and in 2011 was named a Life Trustee of the Urban Land Institute.

### CHRISTOPHER RISING

President Rising Realty Partners

Christopher Rising manages the day-to-day business activities of Rising Realty Partners, while also serving on its investment committee. He previously served as senior vice president of asset transactions at MPG Office Trust Inc. In 2003,



he founded his own company, Rising Real Estate Group. As the company grew, he partnered with Barker Pacific Group to create Hamilton Capital Partners, an equity fund vehicle. He began his professional career as an associate at Pillsbury Madison & Sutro. Rising serves as a member of the board of regents of Lovola High School, where he chairs its investment committee. He is also treasurer and a board member of River LA; board member of the Los Angeles Philharmonic; and member of the board of overseers at Loyola Law School.

### RICHARD RESSLER

President Orchard Capital Corp., CIM Group

Richard Ressler is the founder and president of Orchard Capital Corp., a firm that provides consulting and advisory services to companies in which Orchard or its affiliates invest. Through his affiliation with the firm, Ressler serves in various



senior capacities with, among others, CIM Group, a real estate and infrastructure investment and management company; Orchard First Source Asset Management; and OCV Management. Ressler also serves as a board member for various public and private companies in which Orchard Capital or its affiliates invest, including as chairman of j2 Global Inc. He's also chairman of CIM Commercial Trust Corp. Ressler co-founded CIM Group in 1994 and chairs its executive, investment, allocation, and asset management committees, and serves on its credit committee.

**NELSON C. RISING** 

Chairman and Chief Executive Rising Realty Partners

Nelson C. Rising, chairman and chief executive of Rising Realty Partners, is a 40-year veteran of the real estate industry. He has led two large publicly traded real estate companies, chaired the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, and



built some of the most iconic buildings and new communities in California and the West. Rising was chief executive of MPG Office Trust Inc. from 1983 to 1994. He was a senior partner at Maguire Thomas Partners, where he oversaw the Library Square development in downtown, which includes the 73-story, 1.3 million-square-foot US Bank Tower. He is a board member of Irvine Co. and Foley Timber & Land Co. Rising also sits on the boards of Caltech and W.M. Keck Foundation.

### **JOYCE REY**

Executive Director, Previews International Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage

Joyce Rey has spent more than four decades in residential real estate, amassing nearly \$3 billion in career sales. Rey has been a constant member of the Society of Excellence, Coldwell Banker's highest honor. Her charitable



endeavors include membership on the Southern California executive board for Unicef, the Los Angeles Public Library Foundation Counsel Advisory Board, the Music Center's Blue Ribbon group, and the Coldwell Foundation Board, among many others.

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HOBBY/PASSION

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### **AVI SHEMESH**

Principal CIM Group

Avi Shemesh has been an active real estate investor for more than 25 years, co-founding CIM Group in 1994. As a principal and head of the firm's investments group, he is actively involved in the investment process and provides guidance on



the diverse investment ideas across CIM's platforms. He serves on the firm's investment and asset management committees. Additionally, Shemesh is responsible for the day-to-day operations of CIM, including strategic initiatives, property management and leasing, and investor relations. Prior to CIM, Shemesh was involved in a number of entrepreneurial real estate activities, including co-founding Dekel Development, which handled a variety of commercial and multifamily properties in Los Angeles.

### JEROME H. SNYDER

Senior Partner J.H. Snyder Co.

Jerome H. Snyder is the founder and a senior partner of J.H. Snyder Co., one of the largest privately held real estate development firms in Los Angeles and one of the top 100 development firms in the United States. Snyder led his firm, which has built more than



40,000 homes from New York to California, including waterfront highrise condos on California's coast, from its start. He guided the company as it entered construction of large office projects in the 1980s and retail-lifestyle town centers in the 1990s. That activity continues with redevelopment agencies in many cities. Snyder also served as a board member on the California Coastal Conservancy from 1977 to 1981.

### **SANDY SIGAL** Chairman and Chief Executive

NewMark Merrill Cos.

Sandy Sigal founded NewMark Merrill Cos., a privately held developer and owner of shopping centers in Southern California. Colorado, and Illinois, in 1997. He started in real estate at 20, joining homebuilder West Venture Cos.,



where he became chief executive in 1993. In 1997, Sigal left West Venture and launched NewMark Merrill. He is on the board of the Camp Max Straus Foundation, a camp for underserved children which he attended when he was a child. He is also an active member of the Young Presidents' Organization, as founder and chairman of the YPO Pacific Coast Gold Chapter, and Education Chair of the YPO Angeleno Chapter.

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**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

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PROUDEST MOMENT

What technology will mean to how we shop, live, and entertain ourselves.

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CAR YOU DRIVE **ALMA MATER FUN FACT** 

BS. UCLA.

HOBBY/PASSION **FAVORITE DESTINATION**  My first job was selling day-old donuts; my best job (from a growth perspective) was selling insurance over the phone, and I was a computer programmer from 12 to 17. Reading, skiing, building, traveling with my family. So many: love Chicago and New York, London, Israel, but also skiing in Colorado.

### DONALD STERLING

Chief Executive Donald T. Sterling Corp.

A Chicago native, Donald Sterling worked first as a lawyer before he began buying Southern California real estate. He grew his portfolio to include more than 160 apartment buildings in Los Angeles. Operating as Beverly Hills Properties, the company today



has listings for apartments in more than 130 buildings on its website. Sterling bought the San Diego Clippers in 1981 and moved them to Los Angeles. He spent \$50 million to build a state-of-the-art practice facility and team headquarters, though through much of his tenure the team struggled to produce wins on the court. He owned the Clippers until the NBA forced him to sell it in 2014. Former Microsoft Chief Executive Steve Ballmer bought the team for \$2 billion.

### **ROCHELLE "SHELLY"**

Donald T. Sterling Corp.

Shelly Sterling is the wife of Donald Sterling, and has an interest in the Donald T. Sterling Corp.'s real estate portfolio. Operating as Beverly Hills Properties, the company today has listings for apartments in more than 130 buildings on its website.



The family owned the Los Angeles Clippers until the NBA forced the team's sale in 2014. Shelly Sterling oversaw the sale of the team, against her husband's wishes, to former Microsoft Chief Executive Steve Ballmer for \$2 billion. Active in the family real estate business, she is listed as an owner along with Donald Sterling, on numerous single-family and multifamily properties.

### **MARK SULLIVAN**

**Executive Vice President and Director** Savills Studley

Mark Sullivan is regional manager of Savills Studley's Southern California operations. He was appointed to the firm's national board in 2003. Operating from its downtown office, Sullivan is responsible for setting the strategic goals for the firm's four



SoCal offices in Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, Orange County, and San Diego.

### **JIM THOMAS** Chairman

**Parkway Properties** 

Jim Thomas is one of the real estate industry's most-respected executives. As founder of the former Maguire Thomas Partners and founder of Thomas Properties Group Inc., his impact on the skyline of downtown



includes Library Tower, Wells Fargo Center, and the Gas Co. Tower. He is chairman of Parkway Properties, which merged with Thomas Properties Group in 2013. Parkway is a real estate investment trust that owns and operates office properties. He was a former partner in two L.A. law firms and was principal owner of pro basketball's Sacramento Kings.

### **JAMES N. TRAVERS** Founding Principal

Travers Cresa

James Travers was the founder and chairman of Travers Realty Corp., which merged with Cresa Partners in 2014 to form Travers Cresa, the largest tenant representation firm in the United States. He holds a national reputation as a leader in the



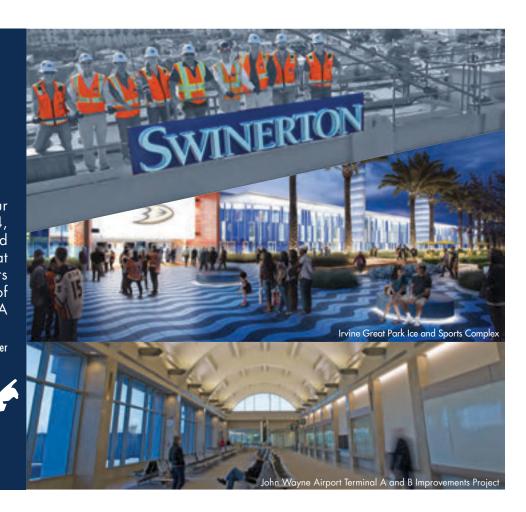
commercial real estate industry. Since its inception in 1978, Travers Realty successfully negotiated more than \$11 billion in real estate transactions. Travers has been a keynote speaker on a multitude of real estate panels, and has been awarded and honored on many real estate occasions, including Outstanding Broker of the Year.

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to shape business practices.

**FUN FACT** I was a star prep school quarterback in

Connecticut.

**ALMA MATER** Bachelor's, University of Cincinnati. **BUCKET LIST** To experience the excitement of being in

Wrigley Field and Fenway Park during the

World Series.

BEVERAGE Dom Perignon. **CAR YOU DRIVE** Mercedes S550.

HOBBY/PASSION Walking, working out, and playing sports with

my grandchildren.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** New York.

### **RONALD N. TUTOR**

Chairman and Chief Executive Tutor Perini Corp.

Ronald N. Tutor has served as chairman of Tutor Perini Corp. since July 1999 and as chief executive since March 2000. Tutor Perini, founded in 1894, is a civil and building construction company offering diversified general contracting and



design-build services. Tutor was previously chairman, president, and chief executive of Tutor-Saliba Corp., which merged with Tutor Perini in September 2008. A board member and longtime benefactor of USC, his alma mater, Tutor's gifts have helped fund the Ronald Tutor Campus Center and Tutor Hall at the USC Viterbi School of Engineering.

### **MAURICIO UMANSKY**

**Chief Executive** Agency

Mauricio Umansky is the founder of the Agency, a luxury real estate brokerage representing clients and properties worldwide. He has been involved in more than \$2 billion in transactions. Since launching the Agency, Umansky has grown the



company from its four founding partners to more than 180 active agents with offices in Beverly Hills, Brentwood, Venice, Pacific Palisades, Calabasas, San Francisco, Palm Springs, and Arizona in the United States as well as outposts in Mexico. The Agency has closed more than \$9 billion in real estate transactions. Umansky is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization.

### **JIANLIN WANG** Chairman

Dalian Wanda Group

Jianlin Wang has served as the chairman of the Dalian Wanda Group since 1989. The company is developing One Beverly Hills, a \$1.2 billion hotel and condominium project. It also acquired Legendary Entertainment in a \$3.5 billion deal



in 2016. The company is one of the world's largest movie theater operators as well as China's largest real estate developer. In 2016, Wang reached a deal with FIFA to expand the World Cup to China. He has been the economic consultant of Yunnan province, as well as a construction consultant of the Guiyang government.

### **NADINE WATT**

President Watt Cos.

Nadine Watt is president of Watt Cos., where she oversees all commercial investment activities including acquisitions, development, and asset management for the company's 6 million-squarefoot portfolio of multifamily,



industrial, office, and retail properties. In 2011, Watt led a strategic reorganization of Watt Cos. that moved the firm beyond traditional property management and leasing to a focus on acquisitions and real estate development, as well as entrepreneurial joint-venture opportunities. She is a member of the USC board of governors and the Marshall School of Business board. She is also on the boards of Brentwood School and New Home Co. She also serves on the executive committee for the Los Angeles Real Estate and Construction Council for the City of Hope.

### **MARK WEINSTEIN**

President MJW Investments

Mark Weinstein is president and founder of MJW Investments. After beginning his career as an attorney, the L.A. native founded MJW in 1983 when he discovered the potential of real estate investment and development through several



successful ventures. Under his leadership, MJW has acquired about \$1 billion of real estate holdings in all asset types. He also spearheaded the adaptive reuse of Santee Village, one of L.A.'s largest adaptive reuse projects of over 800,000 square feet of mixed-use in downtown's Fashion District. He served a three-year term as chairman of the Jewish Federation's Real Estate Construction Division, and has active associations with the Young Presidents' Organization; the Guardians, an agency dedicated to serving the elderly; and the Jewish Venture Philanthropy fund.

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2007 but forces outside of my control forced me to carry an empty building to 2013.

PROUDEST MOMENT? The birth of our twins; the creation of the Santee Village downtown when others

predicted it would never happen.

MOST EXCITED Every cycle my company has been inventive

and creates opportunity.

BEST ADVICE I recommend you get mentors and have an

informal board of directors.

**BEVERAGE** Vodka and cranberry.

**CAR YOU DRIVE** BMW 650.

Bachelor's, UC Santa Barbara; **ALMA MATERS** 

JD, Loyola Law School.

HOBBY/PASSION? Yoga, working out, travel, and philanthropy.

### RICHARD WEINTRAUB

President Weintraub Real Estate Group

Richard Weintraub is a communityoriented developer whose vision and creativity is matched by sensitivity to the needs of each neighborhood in which he develops. Weintraub Real Estate Group



has acquired, developed, or entitled properties worth about \$1 billion. Among his projects are the restoration of the Cathedral of St. Vibiana, the original Archdiocese in Los Angeles, and the revitalization of an old lumber yard in Malibu into a vibrant retail destination. Weintraub also works with the Valley Community Clinic, L.A. River Revitalization Corp., and the Boys and Girls Club of Malibu.

### **JEFFREY WORTHE**

President Worthe Real Estate Group

Jeffrey Worthe is president of Worthe Real Estate Group, which was formed, along with Krismar Construction and M. David Paul Associates, in 1967 by M. David Paul. The company has created some of the highest-quality office



environments that support vibrant business communities throughout the region. Worthe was formerly the principal of M. David Paul Ventures and co-founder of Centurion Real Estate Partners. He is on the board of Children's Hospital Los Angeles.





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### **HARRY ABRAMS**

Chairman and Chief Executive Abrams Artists Agency

Harry Abrams established Abrams Artists Agency in 1977. Since the company's inception, it has developed and maintained a reputation as one of the nation's most respected and diversified talent and literary agencies. With principal offices in



New York and Los Angeles, the company represents clients in most areas of the entertainment industry, including motion pictures, TV, animation, theater, commercials, hosting and broadcasting, and all forms of narration. Its literary division represents writers and directors. with specialization in theater, motion pictures, and television.

### **LEONARD ARMATO**

Chief Executive Management Plus Enterprises

Leonard Armato is founder and chief executive of Management Plus Enterprises, where he created the ASICS World Series of Beach Volleyball with partner NBC Sports. Prior to founding MPE, Armato founded the Association of Volleyball



Professionals with a group of prominent beach volleyball players. eHe served as the AVP's chief executive and commissioner of the AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour for seven years. While at the helm of AVP, Armato secured \$100 million worth of integrated branded content deals. From 2010 to May 2012, Armato served as chief marketing officer of Skechers. He also served as president of Skechers Fitness, launching the company's performance division.

### **STEVE BALLMER**

Los Angeles Clippers

Steve Ballmer might have made his name and money as chief executive of Microsoft Corp. for 14 years, but in Southern California, he is making his mark after buying the Los Angeles Clippers for \$2 billion in 2014 from the Sterling family. Since



acquiring the Clippers, he reportedly has improved the energy and atmosphere in the front office. He also introduced a new team mascot, Chuck the Condor. Ballmer led Microsoft from 2000 to 2014 after working his way up through the company since he joined it in 1980. He previously worked at Procter & Gamble Co.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Going to Clipper games, the people I work with - Gillian Zucker, Doc Rivers, and Lawrence Frank – the interesting business challenges. And I really like the City of Los Angeles.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Being the husband of a wonderful woman, Connie, and the parent of three great kids; how we took Microsoft from a 30-person organization. Find something you're excited about, and do it well.

**BEST ADVICE** 

**FUN FACT** 

I was super shy as a child.

**BUCKET LIST** 

HOBBY/PASSION

Ride in a championship parade with the Clippers after winning the NBA title! I love to play golf. And I love numbers.

### DAN BECKERMAN

Chief Executive Anschutz Entertainment Group Inc.

Dan Beckerman is known to be one of the nation's most prominent executives in the sports industry. In addition to oversight of Anschutz Entertainment Group's facilities, live sports, global partnerships, Europe, Asia, and digital divisions,



he oversees long-range planning, acquisitions, financial oversight, and corporate governance while serving on a six-member committee that constitutes AEG's Office of the Chairman. He previously served as chief operating officer and chief financial officer for AEG, responsible for its day-to-day operations, the Los Angeles Kings, Staples Center, the company's Major League Soccer franchises, minor league hockey franchises, international holdings, and AEG Live.

### **KOBE BRYANT**

Partner Bryant Stibel Market Opportunities

Shortly after retiring from the Los Angeles Lakers in 2016, Kobe Bryant announced that he had launched Bryant Stibel Market Opportunities, a \$100 million Malibu venture capital fund with Jeff Stibel, the former chief executive of



Dun & Bradstreet Credibility Corp. Bryant retired from basketball after spending his 20-year pro career with the Lakers. He won five championships, the 2008 MVP award, and surpassed Michael Jordan for third on the National Basketball Association's all-time scoring list. He has also founded Kobe Inc. to create a global brand. Through that entity, he has invested in BodyArmor and a coconut water-based sports drink, among others. He is also founder of Kobe Studios in Newport Beach to express his creative side by telling stories through film, books, and other media. He launched the Kobe & Vanessa Bryant Family Foundation in 2007 to provide young people with lifechanging experiences designed to broaden their global perspectives.

### **JEANIE BUSS** President Los Angeles Lakers

Jeanie Buss, whose late father, Jerry, was longtime owner of the Los Angeles Lakers, is controlling owner and president of the team. For 14 seasons, she was executive vice president of business operations. Buss was responsible for running all aspects



of the Lakers organization, including team marketing and sponsorships as well as relationships with broadcast partners. Overseeing the team's basketball operations, she worked closely with her brother Jim, coowner and former executive vice president of basketball operations. She was president of the Great Western Forum before joining the Lakers.



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### **OSCAR DE LA HOYA**

President **Golden Boy Promotions** 

Boxer Oscar De La Hoya is known as "The Golden Boy," winning a gold medal at the 1992 Olympics at the age of 19, then going on to win 10 world titles in six different weight classes. He generated hundreds of millions of dollars from his pay-



per-view fights before his retirement in 2009. In 2002, he established Golden Boy Promotions. He formed the Oscar De la Hoya Foundation in 1995 to serve East Los Angeles. It includes the Oscar De la Hoya Ánimo Charter High School, the Cecilia Gonzalez de la Hoya Cancer Center, and the Oscar De la Hoya Children's Medical Center, both at White Memorial Medical Center.

### **KEVIN DEMOFF**

Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of Football Operations Los Angeles Rams

Kevin Demoff is in his ninth year as chief operating officer and executive vice president of football operations with the Rams, serving as a liaison to ownership on all operational matters. The 2016 season marked the Rams'



first year back in Southern California, where Demoff continued to lead the club in all business operations, including marketing and sales, finance, administration, communications, ticketing, and community relations.

### DARRYL DUNN

Chief Executive and General Manager Rose Bowl Operating Co.

Darryl Dunn has served as chief executive officer and general manager of the Rose Bowl Operating Co. since 1999. He is responsible for managing all aspects of the Rose Bowl Stadium, including contract negotiations



with prospective events and ongoing relationships with existing tenants, as well as all financial, marketing, and operational needs. He is extensively involved in long-range planning for the facility and spearheaded the planning and execution of a \$183 million renovation for the historic facility that began in 2011. Dunn negotiated 30-year agreements with tenants UCLA and the Tournament of Roses, and long-term agreements with sports marketing companies IMG and Legends. Prior to joining the Rose Bowl, Dunn worked for the Los Angeles Lakers, Los Angeles Raiders, Los Angeles Clippers, and the World Cup 1994 Organizing Committee. He is honorary co-chair of the annual NAACP event held in Pasadena.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Teamwork to identify new business initiative and execute some of the biggest events in the United States.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Working closely with AEG to develop a music and arts festival as part of a 20-year agreement.

**BEST ADVICE FUN FACT BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION Think long term success and plan for that. I wanted to be a sportswriter. Attend an important soccer match in Europe. Family, my dogs, and being a fan of Boston Red Sox.

### ANDREW FRIEDMAN

President of Baseball Operations Los Angeles Dodgers

The former general manager of the Tampa Bay Rays, Andrew Friedman was hired to run the Los Angeles Dodgers in 2014. Friedman worked at a private equity firm before going to the Rays, where he became known as a general manager who was able



to accomplish much with fewer financial resources than many teams. In his first year at the Dodgers, Friedman reportedly led the team to a \$72 million profit through trades, shedding big contracts, and other money management efforts.

### JARED GOFF Quarterback

Los Angeles Rams

After becoming the No. 1 overall selection in the Nation Football League draft when the Los Angeles Rams made him the first pick in April 2016, Goff has become the face of the Rams as they made their return to Southern California. Goff,



whose father was a Major League Baseball catcher, attended Marin Catholic High School in Marin County. After high school, he played quarterback for UC Berkeley, where he was the only quarterback in school history to have ever started his first game as a true freshman and set 26 Cal records. The two-time team captain is second on the school's all-time list for passing efficiency behind only Aaron Rodgers. He became the first Cal quarterback to earn first-team All-Pac-12 honors since Rodgers in 2004. Goff played in seven games in his rookie season, throwing for five touchdowns, seven interceptions, and 1,098 vards.

## **MICHAEL GOVAN**

Chief Executive Los Angeles County Museum of Art

Michael Govan became chief executive of LACMA in April 2006. Formerly president and director of Dia Art Foundation and deputy director of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, Govan is the seventh director in LACMA's



history. LACMA, the largest art museum in the Western United States, has a collection that includes nearly 130,000 objects dating from antiquity to the present. Govan has overseen the transformation of its 20-acre campus, with buildings by Renzo Piano and monumental artwork by Chris Burden, Michael Heizer, Robert Irwin, and Barbara Kruger, among others.

### MIA HAMM-GARCIAPARRA

Co-Owner Los Angeles Football Club

Mia Hamm Garciaparra is an entrepreneur and one of the most celebrated women soccer players of all time. She competed with the U.S. women's national soccer team for 17 years, is a two-time World Cup



champion and two-time Olympic gold medalist who still holds the national team record in assists. Along with other notable athletes and celebrities such as basketball legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson and author Tony Robbins, Hamm-Garciaparra created the Los Angeles Football Club, a Major League Soccer club serving the greater L.A. area.

### STAN KASTEN

Chief Executive Los Angeles Dodgers

Stan Kasten has been a highly respected sports figure for more than three decades. He became president and chief executive of the Dodgers in April 2012. Since then, the team has won three consecutive NL West titles for the first time in franchise



history, led Major League Baseball in attendance each of those years, and revitalized its minor league system. Kasten was president of the Washington Nationals from 2006-10. In 1999, he became the first sports figure to hold the title of president of three different teams in three different major sports simultaneously, for the Atlanta Braves, Atlanta Hawks, and Atlanta Thrashers. He is a former trustee of the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame. Kasten was named to the board of directors of LA 2024 in 2015 to support the city's bid to host the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic games, which came on the heels of Kasten being elected in 2014 to the LA84 Foundation's board of directors.

**ENJOY MOST** 

It is a thrill to walk in the footsteps of all the great Dodgers associated with this great franchise, all the way back to Brooklyn. Continuing to provide a contending team, a 21st century customer experience in a 60-year-old stadium that is as timeless and

as beautiful and entertaining as the first day it

opened in 1962.

PROUDEST MOMENT

**TOUGHEST CHALLENGE** 

Our proudest moment will be winning the World Championship for our great fans. With all the money, time, and thought we have invested in player development and scouting,

we are very excited that this is going to pay off for many years to come.

**BEST ADVICE** 

MOST EXCITED

Seek out and hire the best people you possibly can, give them the resources to do their job.

and get out of their way.

**ALMA MATERS** 

BA, New York University; JD, Columbia University Law School.

**FUN FACT** 

I play the banjo ... very badly.

### **CLAYTON KERSHAW**

Los Angeles Dodgers

Left-handed pitcher Clayton Kershaw was the 2014 National League Most Valuable Player, and is a three-time Cy Young Award winner and five-time All-Star. He is the ninth pitcher to win three or more Cy Youngs since the award



was instituted in 1956 and is the first to win the honor three times before the age of 27. He won the Major League Baseball ERA title in four consecutive seasons, from 2011-14, becoming the first pitcher to do so, and led the Majors with a career-high 21 wins in both 2011 and 2014. He struck out a career high and big league best 301 in 2015, the most strikeouts for a MLB pitcher since 2002. He started Kershaw's Challenge with his wife Ellen, a nonprofit, Christ-focused organization to empower others.

### **STAN KROENKE**

Owner Los Angeles Rams

Stan Kroenke became principal owner of the St. Louis Rams in 2010, and then led the effort to return the team to Los Angeles after a 21-year absence. He serves on the National Football League's Broadcast Committee and is the majority



shareholder of Arsenal FC (Premier League), London's storied football club. He also owns the National Basketball Association's Denver Nuggets and the National Hockey League's Colorado Avalanche. Kroenke's Denver-based Kroenke Sports & Entertainment owns the Colorado Rapids of Major League Soccer and the Colorado Mammoth of the National Lacrosse League. He also has built a media presence, launching the Altitude Sports & Entertainment network in 2004. The 24-hour regional sports network is home to the Nuggets, Avalanche, Mammoth, and Rapids, and also produces the Rams' preseason TV broadcasts.

### **TIM LEIWEKE Chief Executive** Oak View Group

A former chief executive of Anschutz Entertainment Group, Tim Leiweke launched Oak View Group in 2015 as an investment and development company designed to boost revenue at arenas and stadiums with new content and



sponsorships, while improving operational efficiency. Leiweke entered the entertainment and sports industry early in his career, becoming the youngest general manager of a professional sports team at age 24. After becoming president and chief executive of AEG, he spent 17 years building a portfolio of arenas, theaters, stadiums, and clubs around the world. He was essential to overseeing the creation of the L.A. Live district next to Staples Center and the Los Angeles Convention Center.

### **RACHEL S. MOORE**

**Chief Executive** Music Center

Rachel S. Moore is president and chief executive of the Music Center. She leads the \$65 million company that manages the Music Center campus and operates and programs Grand Park on behalf of the County of Los Angeles. Moore joined the



Music Center from American Ballet Theatre, where she served as chief executive since 2011 and executive director since 2004. Moore danced with ABT as a member of its corps de ballet from 1984-88. She is a trustee of the Economic Club of New York. Moore is on the board of the LA 2024 Olympic Games Bid Committee.

**ENJOY MOST** 

Working with people from different, often distinctive backgrounds to move the

performing arts field forward.

PROUDEST MOMENT

The day I received my first contract as a

professional ballet dancer.

**BEST ADVICE** 

Listen to people from every level of your

company or organization.

**FUN FACT ALMA MATER** 

My first language is Punjabi. Bachelor's, Brown University; Master's, Columbia University.

**BEVERAGE** 

Diet Dr. Pepper.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

London.

### STEVE NEEDLEMAN **Owner**

**Orpheum Theatre** 

Steve Needleman's father, Jack Needleman, bought the Orpheum Theatre more than 50 years ago. In 2001, Steve Needleman spent \$3.5 million to renovate the aging but iconic venue. That year, the operators' lease ran out, so he took



control of operations as well. Needleman also developed the Orpheum Lofts above the theater. The Orpheum has played host to some of the most venerable names in show business since 1923. In recent years, it's become a popular filming location.

### **CHRIS PAUL** Guard **Houston Rockets**

Chris Paul joined the Los Angeles Clippers in 2011 after starting his career with the New Orleans Hornets in 2005. He was named NBA Rookie of the Year. He was traded to the Rockets in June 2017. Paul has partnered with



L.A.'s Turner Impact Capital to invest \$264 million in affordable workforce housing. He is also the spokesman for the Summer 17 campaign for men's online fashion retailer Five Four Group, also based in Los Angeles. In 2005, Paul and his family established the CP3 Foundation, a philanthropic partnership with the Winston-Salem Foundation in honor of his late grandfather.

### **MICHAEL RITCHIE**

Artistic Director Center Theatre Group

Michael Ritchie is artistic director of Center Theatre Group, one of the largest and most active theater companies in the nation, presenting award-winning theater at the Ahmanson Theatre, Mark Taper Forum, and Kirk Douglas Theatre



in Culver City. Ritchie took over the nonprofit theater in 2004 from founding Artistic Director Gordon Davidson. In his more than 12 seasons, Ritchie has produced more than 40 world premieres and five American premieres. Ritchie previously oversaw the Williamstown Theatre Festival in Massachusetts and got his start in theater in New York.

### **LUC ROBITAILLE**

President Los Angeles Kings

Luc Robitaille, president of the Los Angeles Kings, is a member of the Hockey Hall of Fame. He was the highest-scoring left wing in National Hockey League history and the all-time Kings leader in goals scored. Robitaille, who had



his No. 20 jersey retired by the Kings in 2007, played 19 seasons in the NHL – including 14 with the Kings. Since retiring as a player and assuming his current front office executive position, Robitaille has had an impact on the Kings business operations department in the areas of sponsorship sales and renewal, fan and customer relations, game entertainment, media relations, and broadcasting.

**ENJOY MOST** 

PROUDEST MOMENT

The daily challenges. Since I retired as a player I have come to learn so much about the people - and the hard work - they put in. When we won the Stanley Cup in 2012 and 2014. When I look back on that time -

especially in 2012 - seeing the reaction of our fans is something I will never forget.

**BEST ADVICE** Be a great listener. It is very important to communicate - never assume, always talk

to people.

**FUN FACT BUCKET LIST** HOBBY/PASSION

My wife and our dogs hike nearly every morning. I would love to visit Bhutan.

Watching my kids succeed as professionals. They have career paths they chose and are now living out their professional dreams.

### STEPHEN D. ROUNTREE

Managing Director Center Theatre Group

Stephen D. Rountree became managing director of Center Theatre Group in January 2015. The nonprofit Center Theatre Group is one of the largest and most active theater companies in the nation, presenting award-winning theatre



at the Ahmanson Theatre, Mark Taper Forum, and Kirk Douglas

Theatre in Culver City. Previously, Rountree was president and chief executive of the Music Center for almost 12 years and was chief executive of the Los Angeles Opera.

### **KATHRYN SCHLOESSMAN**

President Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission

Founded in 1995, the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission partners with the city of Los Angeles to bring major sporting and entertainment events such as the NBA



All-Star Weekend, Grammy Awards, and College Football Playoffs to the city. As president, Kathy Schloessman oversees and manages the day-to-day operations of the commission. Prior to joining the commission, Schloessman was a 13-year veteran of CB Commercial (now CBRE). She was managing officer of CB Commercial's downtown office, where she was responsible for business development, operations, management, and community relations efforts.

ENJOY MOST
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Meeting and learning from people in our industry and in the business community and having the opportunity to bid for major events.

### **TOUGHEST CHALLENGE**

Hosting the BCS National Championship Game & Gala in 2002, shortly after 9/11. It was a rough time for everyone as no one wanted to travel nor occupy a major open-air stadium.

PROUDEST MOMENT

Anytime we complete a major event and our guests and clients enjoy a tremendous

**BEST ADVICE** 

Your reputation is critical and your relationships

are what will make you successful.

MOST EXCITED

The new Inglewood stadium that will allow us to go after the biggest and most noteworthy

events in the world.

ALMA MATER **BUCKET LIST** 

Bachelor's, USC Visiting Villa D'Este.

**BEVERAGE** 

I am addicted to GT Dave's Kombucha Synergy Trilogy (non-alcoholic).

HOBBY/PASSION

I am an NFL football junkie. Sundays are like a religious holiday at our house during the

football season.

**FAVORITE DESTINATION** 

Four Seasons Hualalai.

### CHRISTINE SIMMONS

President and Chief Operating Officer Los Angeles Sparks

Christine Simmons directs and coordinates all aspects of the WNBA Sparks' business operations, including ticket sales, sponsorship sales, marketing, game operations, public relations, community relations, and finance. In her prior role as executive



vice president with Magic Johnson Enterprises, Simmons led the day-today operations of the Sparks throughout the team's first season under the ownership group led by Earvin "Magic" Johnson and Mark R. Walter. Simmons' background includes working with Fortune 500 brands to create partnerships between corporations and the business community.

### **TED TANNER**

Senior Vice President, Real Estate AFG

Ted Tanner joined AEG in 1998 and oversees its real estate development activities in Los Angeles, London, Berlin, Asia, and Brazil. He brings more than 35 years of development experience in downtown Los Angeles as well as 10 prior years as an L.A.



architect and Philadelphia city planner. Tanner was responsible for acquiring, entitling, and master planning the 40 acres surrounding Staples Center and oversaw development of LA Live. His team completed the \$1 billion, 54-story 1,001-room JW Marriott and Ritz Carlton Hotels. Tanner also oversaw development of AEG's 125-acre StubHub Center, Best Buy Theater Times Square in New York, and formulated plans for soccer stadiums in Illinois and New Jersey.

### **PHILIPPE VERGNE**

Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles

Philippe Vergne has served as director of the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles since 2014. A veteran art curator born in Troyes, France, Vergne came to his Los Angeles position from New York, where he



had been director of the Dia Art Foundation in New York since 2008. He had previously been director of the Musée d'Art Contemporain in Marseille, France, from 1994 to 1997, followed by the position of senior curator at the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis, which he briefly left to run the François Pinault Foundation, ultimately to return in 2005 as the Walker Art Center's deputy director and chief curator. Vergne was a co-curator of the Whitney Biennial in 2006.

**ENJOY MOST** TOUGHEST CHALLENGE PROUDEST MOMENT Saying yes. Saying no.

**BEST ADVICE** 

The day my son was born. Listen and smile.

MOST EXCITED **FUN FACT** 

The future.

**ALMA MATER** 

I was a figure skater. Art History and Archeology, Law Degree;

**BUCKET LIST BEVERAGE CAR YOU DRIVE**  Sorbonne, Paris Kicking the bucket. Kombucha.

HOBBY/PASSION

An electric car.

Art.

### CASEY WASSERMAN

Chairman and Chief Executive Wasserman Media Group

Casey Wasserman is chairman and chief executive of Wasserman, a sports, entertainment, and lifestyle marketing and management agency representing brands, properties, and talent. In 2014, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti appointed Wasserman



to head the city's Olympic host efforts as the LA 2024 chairman, and in September 2015 the United States Olympic Committee selected

Los Angeles as its U.S. Olympic bid city. Wasserman also serves as president and chief executive of the Wasserman Foundation, a private family foundation founded in 1952 by his grandparents Lew and Edie Wasserman. He is a trustee of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and a board member of Activision and Vox Media.

### JERRY WEST Consultant Los Angeles Clippers

Los Angeles Lakers legend Jerry West agreed to become a consultant to the Los Angeles Clippers in June 2017, departing his post as an executive board member of the Golden State Warriors, a position he'd held since 2011. West won nine



NBA Championships as a player, executive, or special consultant, two NBA Executive of the Year awards, made 14 NBA All-Star appearances, had 10 First Team All-NBA selections, was elected into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, and was named one of the 50 Greatest Players in NBA History. He served in the Lakers front office as general manager from 1982 to 1994 and as executive vice president of basketball operations from 1995 to 2000. After leaving the Lakers in 2000, West joined the Memphis Grizzlies as

the team's president of basketball operations in 2002. West was the first-round pick and first-ever pick in Los Angeles of the Lakers in the 1960 NBA Draft. He was co-captain of the gold-medal winning U.S. Olympic basketball team in Rome in 1960.

### **GILLIAN ZUCKER**

President of Business Operations Los Angeles Clippers

Gillian Zucker was named president of business operations for the Los Angeles Clippers in 2014. A sports industry veteran, Zucker spent nine years as president of the Auto Club Speedway, the largest race track on the West Coast. Zucker led all



aspects of the Speedway's business, including operations, ticketing, finance, communications, and marketing. In addition, she served on the International Speedway Corp. executive management team and oversaw Chicagoland and Kansas Speedways. She has served on the boards of the California Chamber, California Travel and Tourism Commission, Los Angeles Convention Center Commission, Los Angeles Sports Council, Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment Commission, Young Presidents Organization, and Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Foundation.

### THE LOS ANGELES 500



### What is hard money loan?

A loan that is secured by property and usually provided by private lender. Most of the hard money loans are short term that might last for one year or less. Hard money interests are usually higher and are associated with projects that last few months or years. Qualification varies between lenders and loan uses. Lenders will evaluate value of the property to find out if they want to make a loan and which amount they can give. Security is provided in the property.

### Benefits of this type of loan

Although hard money has higher rates in comparison to regular lending, there are still benefits to applying for hard money loan. They are easier to apply for and are more available to borrowers when the same has problem with finding money.

Documentation requirements are easier on borrowers and the closing is faster than regular loans, giving investors benefits from deals before others. Credit score is not as important, and sometimes closing can take a bit more than a week, where banks will take months to complete a regular loan.



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Soledad O'Brien, Co-Founder and Chairman, PowHERful Foundation; Journalist/Producer Pictured with Scholars (standing left to right): Vanesa Cruz; Ariana Quiñones; Tassion Minor; Rochelle Ballantyne

