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DirectWomen Announces Its 2024 Award Honorees

Honoring Those Increasing the Representation of Women Lawyers on Corporate Boards

NEW YORK — Honoring corporations and individuals who have contributed to increasing the representation of women lawyers on corporate boards, [DirectWomen](#) announces its 2024 award honorees. The award recipients will be recognized at the [Sandra Day O'Connor Board Excellence Award Luncheon](#) on October 18, 2024, in New York City.

“We are proud to announce DirectWomen’s 2024 honorees and thank them for their tireless work to advance the mission of our organization,” said Shawn Taylor Kaminski, Executive Director, DirectWomen.

DirectWomen has honored individuals and corporations at its annual Award Luncheon since 2007. This year’s honorees include:

Sandra Day O’Connor Board Excellence Award recipients, **Kim Lubel**, Former Chairman and CEO, CST Brands, Inc.; Director, Arcosa, Inc., PBF Energy, Inc., and Westlake Corporation; and **Laura S. Unger**, *Former SEC Commissioner and Acting Chair; Director Nomura Holdings Inc., Nomura Holdings America, Navient Corp., and Instinet Incorporated*, are being honored with DirectWomen’s Sandra Day O’Connor Board Excellence Award. This award honors women lawyers who have served with distinction as directors of public companies and exemplify the life and legacy of Sandra Day O’Connor, paving new paths for the women who follow them.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg Board Diversity Award recipient **Hewlett Packard Enterprise** has demonstrated a strong commitment to diversity in the boardroom, as illustrated by the fact that half of its board directors are women. President and CEO Antonio Neri will accept the award on behalf of the corporation. Pamela L. Carter, a DirectWomen 2018 Sandra Day O’Connor Board Excellence Award honoree, and Hewlett Packard Enterprise director, will also attend the Luncheon.

DirectWomen’s 2024 **Distinguished Alumna Award** recipient is **Sandra L. Phillips**, Senior Vice President, Corporate Resources General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer, Toyota Motor North America, Inc.; Director, Chemours Company and MSA Safety Incorporated. Sandra exemplifies the talents and accomplishments of our alumnae through her service on two public company boards.

“We congratulate each of our distinguished honorees and thank them for their important contributions in advancing diversity in the corporate boardroom and ensuring that women lawyers have a seat at the table,” said Lily Yan Hughes, Chair, DirectWomen’s Board of Directors.

A national nonprofit organization, DirectWomen holds its [Board Institute](#) annually to position board-ready women lawyers for corporate board service. In March, DirectWomen celebrated the 200th board seat obtained by Board Institute alumnae.

For more information about this year’s honorees and the 2024 Sandra Day O’Connor Board Excellence Award Luncheon, please visit www.directwomen.org.

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About DirectWomen

As a national nonprofit, DirectWomen’s mission is to increase the representation of women lawyers on corporate boards. DirectWomen identifies leading women lawyers who can provide the experience, independence, and business judgment required for corporate board effectiveness. Through its various programs, DirectWomen develops and positions women attorney leaders for board service. It also serves as a resource for companies seeking qualified women board candidates. Direct Women is a registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization.