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MODERATOR



Dr. Ralph A. Walkling is the Executive Director and Stratakis Chair of the Center for Corporate Governance at Drexel University LeBow College of Business. Dr. Ralph A. Walkling is internationally known for his research involving corporate governance and corporate acquisitions and for his ability to communicate financial concepts in an effective and exciting manner. Dr. Walkling has worked with law firms; government organizations; executives from Fortune 500 companies; and divisions, including American Electric Power, the Bank of America, Borden, Emery Ari Freight, and Marathon Oil. Expert witness testimony includes work on corporate governance, acquisitions, corporate finance, financial analysis, valuation and damage calculations. He has testified before the Judiciary Committee of the Ohio State Senate. Dr. Walkling has been actively involved in numerous executive development programs taught on location for particular companies, and at universities throughout the world.



Patricia Q. Connolly is the Director of the Center for Corporate Governance at Drexel University LeBow College of Business. Patricia builds strategic partnerships with corporate and non-profit executives to promote Drexel's research on governance, best business practices, and works to provide a forum to integrate theory and practice in management operations. She has served on advisory boards of many local non-profit organizations and on the board of PNC Bank's Womens' Financial Services Network. She is a member of Women Corporate Directors (WCD), the Forum of Executive Women and has strong ties to the Philadelphia region business community.

Featured Panelists:



Theodore L. Dysart is a Managing Partner with Heidrick & Struggles where he is a leader in the Global Board of Directors Practice and partner-in-Charge of the Chicago Office. He is also an active member of the CEO search practice. Ted is responsible for senior-level executive search assignments and is a functional specialist at Heidrick & Struggles, working exclusively on board, CEO and succession planning engagements. Over the past three years, he has placed more than 100 executives on the boards of Fortune

500, mid-cap and private companies. Executive Search Review named him one of six "executive recruiters to watch" in 2004. In 2007 and 2008, he was named to the Directorship 100, a listing of the most influential individuals in corporate governance by Directorship magazine.



Steve Zarrilli is the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of SafeGuard Scientifics, Steve is responsible for all financial and administrative matters for Safeguard. He is directly involved in providing oversight and support to Safeguard's partner companies, as well as participating in the development of Safeguard's long-term business strategy. Steve has the necessary SEC, Sarbanes Oxley and Audit Committee skill sets that will ultimately drive value in Safeguard and its

partner companies. Steve is responsible for analyzing and helping to identify the value-add that each partner company brings to Safeguard and its shareholders. Steve's experience complements Safeguard's rich history and ensures a strong, disciplined financial infrastructure which drives excellence and accountability. In addition to his current duties, Mr. Zarrilli is a Director and the Chairman of the Audit Committee of NutriSystem, Inc. (NASDAQ: NTRI).



Jim Kristie is the editor and associate publisher of Directors & Boards, a quarterly journal and a monthly online newsletter (the e-Briefing) of high-level leadership, governance, finance, legal, and strategic issues. He has been editor since 1981 and associate publisher since 1991.

He earned his BA in Journalism from Temple University in 1976. He returned to his alma mater in 2003 as an adjunct instructor in the university's School of Communications and Theater. He is a board member of the Temple University Alumni Association and the Temple University Press, one of the nation's preeminent academic book publishers.

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