

Resources Available to Director Candidates

Networks/Organizations:



50/50 Women on Boards – [5050 Women On Boards \(5050wob.com\)](http://5050wob.com)

50/50 Women on Boards shares a mutual desire to ignite meaningful change across all corporate leadership levels and bring attention to the business imperative of diverse boards. In 2010 they launched 2020 Women on Boards, now 50/50 Women on Boards™, to educate, advocate and collaborate with corporations and action groups committed to advancing women to corporate boards. Reaching and exceeding their initial triumphant goal of 20% women directors by 2020, their new campaign boldly calls for gender balance and diversity on corporate boards of the Russell 3000 Index companies.



Athena Alliance – [Home - Athena Alliance](#)

Athena activates the connections, knowledge and opportunities executive leaders need to break through the barriers that line the “last mile” of their career – to the C-Suite, boardroom, or the world of entrepreneurship and investing.

BEYOND BOARD

Beyond Board – [Beyond Board](#)

Beyond Board is a highly curated and exclusive community of board members and board eligible executives. Their team assembles today’s most impactful leaders for peer-to-peer networking, renowned thought leadership and board opportunities. They are reinventing recruiting through community with a mission to bring more diversity to boards and executive leadership.



BoardProspects – [Board-Prospects | Where Better Boards Are Built](#)

BoardProspects is the world’s largest boardroom community. Board members, aspiring board members and corporations (publicly traded, private and not-for-profit) join BoardProspects to find the latest in corporate governance news, education, best practices and board recruitment solutions.



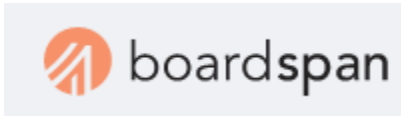
Boardsi - [Home - boardsi](#)

Boardsi is a modern recruiting company providing executives with advisory positions and companies with top talent. Through their advanced technology, human connection and private network, they help revolutionize businesses and grow careers.



BoardSource – [Homepage - BoardSource](#)

BoardSource envisions a future where the nonprofit community has the leadership to fulfill its purpose and create a just world where all can thrive. Their mission is to inspire and support nonprofit boards and executives to lead justly and with purpose. BoardSource is a 501(c)(3) organization.



Boardspan - [Boardspan - Tools & Solutions for Board of Directors Management & Governance](#)

Boardspan's comprehensive digital solutions and bespoke advisory deliver the analytics, insights, and governance know-how so your board succeeds. They bring decades of experience in technology, data analytics, board governance and recruiting to help boards do their best work.



Bolster - [Bolster | The On-Demand Executive Talent Marketplace](#)

Bolster is the marketplace to connect high-growth companies with trusted and flexible executive talent. Their platform matches executives with startup and scaleup CEOs based on each company's unique needs and each executive's unique experience. Their services engage their diverse communities of executives, give executives the tools they need to manage their business or consulting practice, help CEOs understand the scalability of their executive teams and boards, and enable investors to seamlessly connect their networks to their portfolio companies. Complimentary access with PDA Individual Membership.



Chief – [Chief | Women have always been powerful.](#)

Chief is a private network focused on connecting and supporting women leaders. Chief is designed for women in the C-Suite, senior executives, and accomplished vice presidents to strengthen their leadership, magnify their influence, and pave the way to bring others with them.



CEOX - [CEOX](#)

CEOX connects highly qualified, CEO-ready women to CEO and board roles. Companies at all stages and sizes searching for a CEO or board member can search and connect with CEOX's network of vetted, high-impact candidates.



Corporate Directors Forum - [Home - Corporate Directors Forum](#)

If you are a director of a company board or member of the management team, advise boards, plan to be a director, or are looking to build your own board, Corporate Directors Forum provides board-focused peer networking and director education in corporate governance “best practices” for those committed to continuous learning.

Director Network BETA

Diligent Director Network - [Diligent](#)

Ability to Nominate Rising Directors. Provides a platform to help accelerate boardroom diversity. Opportunity to recommend diverse, board-ready talent to gain exposure in the database. Posts board opportunities available across the United States and internationally. Partnered with organizations already supporting boardroom diversity.



DirectWomen – [Home - DirectWomen](#)

The mission of DirectWomen is to increase the representation of women lawyers on corporate boards. DirectWomen identifies leading women lawyers from around the country who are able to provide the experience, independence, and business judgment required for 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.

DirectorMoves

DirectorMoves - [DirectorMoves](#)

A website that monitors the SEC filings 24/7 for Director & C-Suite changes and email a summary on Wednesday and Saturday mornings. Each newsletter includes links to Board and C-Suite Openings with contact information and instructions for sending your resume.



Diversity in Boardrooms – [Recruit Board Directors - Diversity in Boardrooms](#)

Diversity in Boardrooms is a board diversity consulting firm that assists corporate boards in recruiting and referring diverse directors to add value and to ensure better representation of American strengths. In addition, the firm creates strategic and inclusive advisory boards that can accelerate business growth, increase company profitability, and enhance social responsibility and recognition.



Equilar Diversity Network - [Advancing Boardroom Diversity | Equilar](#)

The Equilar Diversity Network is the “registry of registries” connecting candidates from more than 50 diversity organizations with boards. The Network is accessible exclusively through Equilar BoardEdge, a data platform including nearly 2.5 million executive and board member profiles.



Extraordinary Women on Boards - [Extraordinary Women on Boards \(ewobnetwork.com\)](#)

EWOB is a private membership community for highly accomplished women who already have a seat at the corporate board table. Members experience a unique peer-to-peer community comprised of women corporate directors on public and private for-profit boards, focused on advancing board excellence, modernizing governance, and increasing board diversity. The group represents hundreds of public and private boards, across a wide range of sectors, and convenes regularly to learn together, mine their considerable collective wisdom, share best practices and raise their influence in the boardroom.



Family Business Alliance - [Family Business Alliance | NEPA | Membership \(fballiance.org\)](#)

For 20 years, Family Business Alliance’s mission is to be the trusted resource providing world-class services to empower regional family-owned businesses. They accomplish this through educational programs, networking, counsel, and guidance so that success is achieved for the community.



Forum for Corporate Directors – [Forum for Corporate Directors, Orange County - Home Page \(fcdoc.org\)](#)

The Forum for Corporate Directors addresses current business topics through relevant programs, interaction with recognized experts, and thought leadership offering practical insights. They enhance board room effectiveness by creating a forum for collaboration among directors, executives, and advisors to the board.



Gerson Lehrman Group – [The World's Expert Insight Network | GLG](#)

GLG is the World’s Insight Network, bringing decision makers the insight it takes to get ahead. When leaders need to make informed decisions, GLG provides meaningful connections through our network of 1 million experts, the world’s largest and most varied source of first-hand expertise, with hundreds more recruited daily to tackle tomorrow’s questions. GLG provides an unparalleled Trusted Environment, with an industry-leading compliance framework built on integrity and trust that fuels our clients’ confidence to move forward.



Him for Her – [Him For Her](#)

Him For Her is a social impact venture aimed at accelerating diversity on corporate boards. To bridge the network gap responsible for the sparsity of women in the boardroom, Him for Her engages business luminaries to connect the world’s most talented “Hers” to board service. Since its founding in 2018, Him for Her has built a referral-only talent network of 2500+ board-ready women, a third of whom are women of color, and delivered free board-referral lists to 450+ companies ranging from start-ups to S&P 100. Him For Her creates warm introductions between board candidates and CEOs through its series of small events guest-hosted by renowned leaders. A 501c3 corporation, Him for Her operates through the generosity of its founding partners. Complimentary access with PDA Individual Membership.



ION Interorganization Network - [ION Women](#)

ION is the national consortium of membership organizations whose mission is to increase the number of women appointed to corporate boards and the executive suite. ION provides a forum where women’s leadership organizations can leverage best practices, share thought leadership and research, and expand their influence nationally in support of a common vision.



National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) – [NACD](#)

The National Association of Corporate Directors is focused on empowering directors and transforming boards to be future ready. NACD delivers insights and resources to make sound strategic decisions and confidently confront complex business challenges. NACD provides education programs, national peer exchange forums, and proprietary research to promote director professionalism.



NextUp - [NextUp | Non-profit Advancing Executive Women in Business](#)

NextUp, formerly known as Network of Executive Women (NEW), is a professional community committed to advancing women, growing business, and transforming workplaces through the power ow community. NextUp will make their vision into reality – a world where women have equal opportunities at work, and equal opportunity to build their lives and careers exactly the way they want them.

N U R O L E

NuRole - [Nurole: The Market Leader in Non-Executive Board Hiring, 1,000 placements this year.](#)

NuRole is a global platform changing the way organizations hire board-level talent. Their approach combines smart technology and industry experts to transform the boards of multinationals, start-ups, charities, government bodies. Most efficient way to find high quality, diverse candidates and empowers brilliant people to apply for roles that match their skills, passions and availability. Complimentary access with PDA Individual Membership.



NYSE Board Diversity Initiative - [NYSE Board Advisory Council](#)

The New York Stock Exchange launched its Board Advisory Council (BAC) in 2019 to address the critical need for diverse, inclusive leadership on public and private company boards. Comprised of CEOs from some of the world's largest and well-known companies, BAC members use their personal and professional networks to identify and nominate board-ready candidates.



OnBoard - [OnBoard – Advocate. Inspire. Connect. Women on Boards \(onboardnow.org\)](#)

OnBoard, formerly the Board of Directors Network (BDN), was inspired by a conference put on by The International Alliance for Women regarding women on boards. The initial focus was increasing the number of women on corporate boards of both public and private companies. Today, their mission is to advocate for and increase the number of women in executive leadership and on corporate boards.



Oxeon – [Oxeon](#)

Oxeon is a specialized professional services and investments firm that builds and accelerates the growth of impactful healthcare tech and services businesses. Their primary mission at Oxeon is to make people healthier. They achieve their mission in three core ways: recruiting world-class executives into their clients and portfolio companies, investing in transformative healthcare companies, and building de novo businesses to address the problems plaguing the healthcare system.



Private Directors Association (PDA) - [Home \(privatedirectorsassociation.org\)](#)

Their mission is creating, sustaining and enhancing Private Company value through the active use of diverse Boards of Directors and Advisory Boards. They advocate for excellent practices in board formation and governance. They provide a national network where executives and professionals interested in board service can find and meet with those interested in securing exceptional board members. PDA Members receive an annual subscription to *Directors & Boards* and *Private Company Director* Magazines. PDA Members can register for the Certificate in Private Company Governance course. [Certificate in Private Company Governance \(privatedirectorsassociation.org\)](#)



Stanford Women on Boards Initiative - [Stanford Women on Boards Initiative](#) | [Stanford Graduate School of Business](#)

SWB is committed to increasing the representation of Stanford alumnae on corporate and fiduciary boards, increasing women’s readiness for board service, and further developing the capabilities and influence of Stanford women already on boards.



State of Ohio – Boards and Commissions – [Boards and Commissions](#) | [Governor Mike DeWine \(ohio.gov\)](#)

Serving on a state board or commission is an excellent way to serve your community.



Strides – [About : Strides](#)

A platform designed to provide access to a diverse senior executive network comprised of women, people of color, LGBTQ+, and other underrepresented voices for leadership roles. Complimentary access with PDA Individual Membership.



The Boston Club – Advancing Women Leaders - [The Boston Club](#)

The Boston Club database contains qualified women board candidates who have demonstrated the expertise, skills, and knowledge. It also has access to candidates from other executive women’s organizations across the United States. Board placements across all major industries. They vet candidates and match to opportunities before sending to the Company.



The Family Business Consulting Group – [The Family Business Consulting Group \(thefbcg.com\)](#)

FBCG has worked with enterprising families around the world to achieve one common goal: protect the integrity of the family and the enterprise for future.



The Lodis Forum - [Women's Business Forum](#) | [Women in Leadership Roles](#) | [Board Leadership \(thelodisforum.com\)](#)

The Lodis Forum is a peer group exclusively for women who are private company Board Chairs or Vice-Chairs focusing on leadership peer exchange, excellence, research, and advocacy. They are the only forum exclusively connecting female Chair or Vice Chairs of privately owned firms. They host quarterly forums where the agenda is geared towards curated topics that the forum assign and deem important. They welcome both opportunities and obstacles and promise a transparent and trusted environment for all to speak openly. They believe their collective voices will be uniquely suited to elevate a public conversation about Women on Private Company boards.



theboardiQ - [Home](#) | [Theboardiq Llc](#)

A diversified executive recruiting and inclusive boards for businesses. Candidates can sign up to access the profile generator, a first of its kind board profile that contextualizes your skills, knowledge, experience, demographic, race, and ethnicity profile to find the best fit match for board vacancies. Employers and Boards can sign up to post board vacancies to access the best fit inclusive slate of board candidates.



TheBoardlist – [theBoardlist](#) | [Connecting exceptional diverse leaders with global board opportunities](#)

Connect exceptional diverse candidates with global board opportunities. theBoardlist started with women because there was, and frankly still is, an urgent need for gender parity in the boardroom. Their ultimate goal is to help companies create full and true representation in their leadership, so that they can better serve their customers, employees and communities. With that in mind, it is not only a natural extension for theBoardlist to include to all underrepresented minorities, regardless of gender, but an imperative.



Women Corporate Directors (WCD)/BoardNext - [BoardNext Membership \(womencorporatedirectors.org\)](#)

BoardNext is a Women's Corporate Directors Foundation (WCD) initiative designed for experienced, highly qualified, board ready women offering education, unparalleled resources and peer group support to navigate the path to their first public corporate board. WCD is the largest global organization serving the needs of female directors, BoardNext members gain access to unrivaled select WCD events, network of members and search firm executives.



Women for Economic and Leadership Development (WELD) — [WELD- Women for Economic and Leadership Development \(weldusa.org\)](http://weldusa.org)

Women for Economic and Leadership Development (WELD) develops and advances women's leadership to strengthen the economic prosperity of the communities it serves. We provide women with specific tools to enhance their individual economic status, and we build programs, events, and a community to support female leadership development and business growth. WELD is a 501(c)(3) national nonprofit organization.



Women in the Boardroom - [Women in the Boardroom | Board Diversity](#)

Women in the Boardroom have been the experts that help you get your seat at the table since 2002. With nearly 60% of their VIP Members serving on corporate boards, their proven process provides a customized step-by-step approach to getting on your first, second or third corporate board. Includes exclusive programs such as Matchmaking Program, Annual Board Assembly, and proven networking process. Sheila Ronning is the organization's founder.



WomenExecs on Boards - [Home \(weob.org\)](http://weob.org)

WomenExecs on Boards (WEoB) is a global network of courageous women who are breaking barriers, advancing their knowledge, and supporting members on their board journeys. They are committed to ensuring women reach the boardroom and the C-Suite by showing that diverse leadership improves corporate performance.

Continued Education/Board Training:



ACE Consulting Enterprises - [Michele Ashby | Corporate Board Training For Women | ACE Board Training Programs For Women | Corporate Board Certification, Training & Placement \(acellc.consulting\)](#)

Michele Ashby specializes in putting women on boards and have successfully trained hundreds of women and helped place large numbers of them in board positions. As a leader in boardroom training, she has developed innovative programs that equip women with the knowledge and skills needed to excel as board members. Programs cover everything from boardroom basics to advanced skills, including creating a winning board resume, preparing for board interviews, and understanding director compensation.



American College of Corporate Directors - [ACCD - Corporate Board Member](#)

Since 2004, the American College of Corporate Directors (ACCD) has unified a community of executives who possess a passion for public company board service and expanding their director education to meet a shared goal: Strengthening board leadership skills to represent stakeholders responsibly and ethically. Since then, the ACCD has grown to serve over 2,000 executives and has built a reputation as the premier educational and credentialing organization within the board community. Its mission is to provide directors with the highest standard of instruction, theory and practice surrounding the important, complex, and timely issues facing public companies today.



Deloitte Global Boardroom Program - [The Deloitte Global Boardroom Program | Deloitte Global](#)

The Deloitte Global Boardroom Program brings together the knowledge and experience of Deloitte member firms around the world in the critical topics of universal interest to company boards and the C-suite.



Harvard Business School - [Harvard Business School \(hbs.edu\)](#)

Harvard Business School offers a variety of courses/programs such as: Earning a Corporate Director Certificate, Women on Boards Program, How to Get onto Corporate Boards, Board Governance Programs, learning about board diversity and making boards more effective.



Kellogg Northwestern Education – [Home](#) | [Kellogg School of Management \(northwestern.edu\)](#)

Kellogg Executive Education delivers a proven approach to thought leadership while providing a retreat-like atmosphere in the Evanston campus's James L. Allen Center. Executives will benefit from an all-inclusive experience while learning from renowned experts in their fields. They offer virtual programs in the fall and spring to provide an educational experience comparable to what's offered in their in-person programs. Attendees would have the opportunity to engage with their world-class faculty, learn with and from your peers and engage in discussions that will equip you to tackle your business's biggest challenges in an uncertain landscape.



Key Women's Leadership Forum – [Women's Leadership Forums](#) | [Key Associates Inc.](#)

The Key Women's Leadership Forum brings together women in leadership roles so that you can address your whole self – mind, career, body, and spirit. As a participant, you would have the opportunity to focus on pressing issues, leveraging your influence, and aligning your career with what is purposeful for you. It can be lonely at the top as a female leader. As a member, you will expand your circle of influence by forming strong connections with other highly accomplished women who share leadership, collaboration, and continuous learning.



KPMG Board Leadership Center – [Board Leadership Center \(kpmg.us\)](#)

The KPMG Board Leadership Center (BLC) champions outstanding corporate governance to drive long-term value and enhance stakeholder confidence. Through an array of insights, perspectives, and programs, the BLC—which includes the KPMG Audit Committee Institute and close collaboration with other leading director organizations—promotes continuous education and improvement of public and private company governance. BLC engages with directors and business leaders on the critical issues driving board agendas—from strategy, risk, talent, and ESG, to data governance, audit quality, proxy trends, and more.



M.A. Pfister Strategy Group – [Exceptional Board Director Candidate](#) | [pfisterstrategy](#)

M.A. Pfister Strategy Group provides The Boarding School for Leaders. an education and certification course on becoming an exceptional board director candidate. In this exceptional Board Leadership Program, learn the proven and effective steps for not only modern-day Board operations, but also successfully plan and implement your personal Board Director Candidate strategy. Experience how these achievable & focused efforts help you convey the experience and confidence needed for serious Board Director and Board Advisor consideration. Education & Certification Course is designed for any stage of your career and any level of Board experience (aspiring to experienced).



Premier Growth - [Premier Growth](#)

Premier Growth empowers families with modern day solutions to cultivate thriving legacies. The work with individuals, families, and professionals to navigate a path of unity by professionalizing the family while personalizing the business. They created a Family Enterprise Tool which provides a snapshot of the current state of the family dynamics and business enterprise and is used as a foundation for legacy planning.

LEAVEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
SILICON VALLEY EXECUTIVE CENTER

Black Corporate Board Readiness – Leavey School of Business – Santa Clara University - [Black Corporate Board Readiness - Leavey School of Business - SCU](#)

The Black Corporate Board Readiness (BCBR) program accelerates diverse representation in corporate governance by accompanying experienced, qualified Black leaders through a structured executive education program. The BCBR programs connects participants to seasoned board members, rigorously prepares them to excel, and builds a community devoted to better business performance and racial equality.

Women’s Corporate Board Readiness Program – Leavey School of Business – Santa Clara University - [Women's Corporate Board Readiness Program - Leavey School of Business - SCU](#)

This program features faculty who are highly successful women with board experience, and expertise in their chosen field. #ITSTIME to build your network with other high-performing accomplished, and ambitious women and develop your own personalized action plan to seek and obtain a board directorship that aligns with your personal brand and values.



UNC – Chapel Hill School of Law: Director Diversity Initiative - [Upcoming Programs | Director Diversity Initiative \(unc.edu\)](#)

The Director Diversity Initiative (DDI) works with for-profit and non-profit boards of directors to increase the representation of women, people of color, and those who would add diversity to the board in other ways. The initiative provides training for those interested in corporate board service, maintains a database of potential diverse board directors, works with corporate nominating committees to conduct board searches of the database, maintains a clearinghouse of other organizations focused on board diversity, and conducts a census of North Carolina public company board diversity every three years.

Publications:



Directors&Boards

**Family
Business**

Directors and Boards – [Directors and Boards | Company Leadership & Corporate Governance](#)

Family Business Magazine – [Family Business Magazine |](#)

Private Company Director – [Private Company Director |](#)

Private company board members rely on these publications to improve their corporate governance. All three magazines are published by MLR Media. Through digital platforms, magazines, and events, MLR Media provide public and private company directors, leaders and owners of multigenerational family businesses and C-suite executives with the knowledge and skills to be successful in their roles.

All are great sources for videos, webinars, conferences, and resources.

*Private Directors Association (PDA) members receive an annual subscription to *Directors & Boards* and *Private Company Director* Magazines.

Additional Resources:

Diamond Executive Resumes

Diamond Executive Resumes - [Board of Directors & Executive Resumes & Bios](#)

If you need assistance with a Board and/or Executive Bio and Resume.



NetWeaving - [NetWeaving International Home](#) - [Netweavers International](#)

NetWeaving is all about creating trusted relationships by connecting people with someone whom they would benefit meeting OR Providing people with valuable resources. NetWeaving is other-centered, while networking is self-centered. "The Heart and Art of NetWeaving" and "Raising Your R&R Factor" books are free downloads after you register.