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## FAIR ISAAC CORPORATION

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

## TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2013,

#### AND PROXY STATEMENT

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Please take notice that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Fair Isaac Corporation ( Annual Meeting ) will be held at the time and place and for the purposes indicated below.

**TIME** 9:30 A.M., local time, on Tuesday, February 12, 2013

PLACE Offices of Fair Isaac Corporation: 181 Metro Drive, Suite 700

San Jose, California

## ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- 1. To elect eight directors to serve until the 2014 Annual Meeting and thereafter until their successors are elected and qualified;
- A non-binding advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers disclosed in this proxy statement;
- 3. To ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; and
- 4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

All of the above matters are more fully described in the accompanying proxy statement.

## RECORD DATE

You can vote if you were a stockholder of record at the close of business on December 17, 2012. A complete list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the Annual Meeting, during ordinary business hours for at least ten days prior to the Annual Meeting at our offices at 181 Metro Drive, Suite 700, San Jose, California 95110.

ANNUAL REPORT

Our 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K accompanies this proxy statement.

**VOTING** 

**Your Vote Is Important.** We invite all stockholders to attend the meeting in person. However, to assure your representation at the meeting, you are urged to mark, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card as promptly as possible in the postage-prepaid envelope enclosed for that purpose or follow the Internet or telephone voting instructions on the proxy card. Any registered stockholder attending the meeting may vote in person even if he or she returned a proxy card.

#### ADMITTANCE TO MEETING

Admittance to the Annual Meeting will be limited to stockholders. If you are a stockholder of record and plan to attend, please detach the admission ticket from your proxy card and bring it with you to the Annual Meeting. Stockholders who arrive at the Annual Meeting without an admission ticket will be required to present identification matching the corresponding stockholder account name at the registration table located outside the meeting room. If you are a stockholder whose shares are held by a bank, broker or other nominee, you will be asked to certify to such ownership at the registration table prior to the Annual Meeting.

Mark R. Scadina

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

January 7, 2013

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## **Fair Isaac Corporation**

181 Metro Drive, Suite 700

San Jose, California 95110

#### **Proxy Statement**

#### ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING

#### Why did I receive this proxy statement?

The Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (Annual Meeting) to be held on February 12, 2013, because you were a stockholder of Fair Isaac Corporation (FICO, the Company, we, our, us) at the close of business on December 2012, the record date, and are entitled to vote at the meeting.

This proxy statement, the proxy card and the Annual Report on Form 10-K (the Proxy Material) are being mailed to stockholders beginning on or about January 7, 2013. The proxy statement summarizes the information you need to know to vote at the Annual Meeting. You do not need to attend the Annual Meeting to vote your shares.

## What is the difference between holding shares as a stockholder of record and as a beneficial owner?

If your shares are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Limited, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to those shares. We sent the Proxy Material directly to you. You have the right to vote these shares directly.

If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name. In this case, the Proxy Material has been forwarded to you by your broker, bank or nominee who is considered the stockholder of record with respect to those shares. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, bank or nominee how to vote your shares by using the voting instruction card included in the mailing or by following their instructions for voting by telephone or the Internet.

## What am I voting on?

- 1. Election of eight directors: A. George Battle, Nicholas F. Graziano, Braden R. Kelly, James D. Kirsner, William J. Lansing, Rahul N. Merchant, David A. Rey, and Duane E. White;
- 2. Non-binding advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this proxy statement;
- 3. Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP ( Deloitte ) as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; and
- 4. Any other such business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The Board recommends a vote **FOR** each of the nominees to the Board of Directors, **FOR** the advisory approval of the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this proxy statement, and **FOR** the ratification of Deloitte s appointment as independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

What is the voting requirement to elect the directors (Proposal 1)?

To be elected, the number of votes cast FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of votes cast AGAINST that nominee. The Company requires that all nominees submit an irrevocable letter of resignation as a condition to being named as a nominee, which resignation will be effective if (i) the nominee fails to receive a sufficient number of votes to be elected and (ii) the Board accepts such resignation. Cumulative voting for the election of directors is not permitted. Abstentions will not be counted FOR or AGAINST a nominee. Your broker or other nominee does not have discretionary authority to vote your shares on the election of directors, if

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your broker, bank, trust or other nominee does not receive voting instructions from you. Therefore, broker non-votes will not be counted FOR or AGAINST a nominee. All votes will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the Annual Meeting, who will tabulate affirmative votes, negative votes, abstentions and broker non-votes.

# What is the voting requirement for advisory approval of the named executive officer compensation disclosed in this proxy statement (Proposal 2)?

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary for advisory approval of the named executive officer compensation disclosed in this proxy statement. Because your vote on executive compensation is advisory, it will not be binding upon the Company or the Board of Directors. However, the Compensation Committee will take into account the outcome of the vote when considering future executive officer compensation programs. Abstentions will be counted toward a quorum and have the effect of negative votes with respect to this proposal. In the event that a broker indicates on a proxy that it does not have discretionary authority to vote certain shares on a particular matter, such broker non-votes will also be counted toward a quorum and will have the same effect as negative votes. All votes will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the Annual Meeting, who will tabulate affirmative votes, negative votes, abstentions and broker non-votes.

#### What is the voting requirement to ratify the appointment of Deloitte (Proposal 3)?

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary to ratify the appointment of Deloitte as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. Abstentions will be counted toward a quorum and have the effect of negative votes with respect to this proposal. In the event that a broker indicates on a proxy that it does not have discretionary authority to vote certain shares on a particular matter, such broker non-votes will also be counted toward a quorum and will have the same effect as negative votes. All votes will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the Annual Meeting, who will tabulate affirmative votes, negative votes, abstentions and broker non-votes.

## What if other business is properly brought before the Annual Meeting for stockholder action?

The Board knows of no other matters to be presented for stockholder action at the Annual Meeting. However, if other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies in the accompanying proxy card will have discretion with respect to how to vote the shares represented by them.

#### How many votes do I have?

You are entitled to one vote for each share of common stock that you hold for each nominee for director and for each other matter presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting. There is no cumulative voting.

#### How do I vote?

You may vote using any of the following methods:

**Proxy card.** Be sure to complete, sign and date the card and return it in the prepaid envelope. If you are a stockholder of record and you return your signed proxy card without indicating your voting preferences, the persons named in the proxy card will vote **FOR** the election of directors, **FOR** the advisory approval of the compensation of our named executive officers disclosed in this proxy statement, and **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2013.

**By telephone or the Internet.** The telephone and Internet voting procedures we established for stockholders of record are designed to authenticate your identity, allow you to give your voting instructions and confirm that these instructions have been properly recorded. The availability of telephone and Inter-

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net voting for beneficial owners will depend on the voting processes of your broker, bank or nominee. Therefore, we recommend that you follow the voting instructions in the materials you receive.

**In person at the Annual Meeting.** All stockholders may vote in person at the Annual Meeting. If you are a beneficial owner of shares, you must obtain a legal proxy from your broker, bank or nominee and present it to the inspector of election with your ballot when you vote at the meeting.

#### What can I do if I change my mind after I vote my shares?

If you are a stockholder of record, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted at the Annual Meeting by:

Sending written notice of revocation to the Corporate Secretary of FICO;

Submitting a new, proper proxy by telephone, Internet or paper ballot after the date of the revoked proxy; or

Attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

If you are a beneficial owner of shares, you may submit new voting instructions by contacting your broker, bank or nominee. You may also vote in person at the Annual Meeting if you obtain a legal proxy as described in the answer to the previous question.

#### Who will count the vote?

Representatives of Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. will tabulate the votes and act as the inspector of election.

#### What shares are included on the proxy card?

The shares on your proxy card represent shares you own.

#### Is my vote confidential?

Any proxy, ballot or other voting material that identifies the particular vote of a stockholder and contains the stockholder s request for confidential treatment will be kept confidential, except in the event of a contested proxy solicitation or as may be required by law. We may be informed whether or not a particular stockholder has voted and will have access to any comment written on a proxy, ballot or other material and to the identity of the commenting stockholder. The inspector of election will be an independent third party not under our control.

## What constitutes a quorum?

As of the record date, 35,237,956 shares of FICO common stock were issued and outstanding. A majority of the outstanding shares, present or represented by proxy, constitutes a quorum for the purpose of adopting proposals at the Annual Meeting. If you submit a properly executed proxy, then you will be considered part of the quorum. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted in determining if there is a quorum, but neither will be counted as votes cast.

## Who can attend the Annual Meeting?

All stockholders as of the record date may attend the Annual Meeting but must have an admission ticket. If you are a stockholder of record, the ticket attached to the proxy card will admit you. If you are a beneficial owner, you may request a ticket by writing to the Corporate Secretary, 181 Metro Drive, Suite 700, San Jose, California 95110, or by faxing your request to 408-535-1529. You must provide evidence of your ownership of shares with your ticket request, which you can obtain from your broker, bank or nominee. We encourage you or your broker to fax your ticket request and proof of ownership in order to avoid any mail delays. Stockholders who arrive at the Annual Meeting without an admission ticket will be required to present identification matching the corresponding stockholder account name at the registration table located outside the meeting room. If you are

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a stockholder whose shares are held by a bank, broker or other nominee, you will be asked to certify to such ownership at the registration table prior to the Annual Meeting.

## What are FICO s costs associated with this proxy solicitation?

We have hired Innisfree M&A Incorporated to assist in the solicitation of votes for \$10,000 plus reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. FICO employees, officers and directors may also solicit proxies. We will bear the expense of preparing, printing and mailing the Proxy Material, and reimburse brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for forwarding proxy and solicitation materials to the owners of common stock.

## How can I obtain the Company s corporate governance information?

The following FICO corporate governance documents are available on our website at *www.fico.com* on the Investors page and are also available in print and free of charge, to any stockholder who requests them:

Corporate Governance Guidelines;

Board Committee Charters Audit Committee; Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee; and Compensation Committee;

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics;

Code of Ethics for Senior Financial Management; and

Director Independence Criteria.

The Company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). As an NYSE-listed company, our Chief Executive Officer must certify annually that he is not aware of any violation by the Company of NYSE corporate governance listing standards as of the date of that certification. The most recent Chief Executive Officer's certification was filed with the NYSE on March 5, 2012.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 12, 2013: The Proxy Material is located on the Investors page of our website at <a href="https://www.fico.com">www.fico.com</a>, and at the following cookies-free website that can be accessed anonymously: <a href="https://investors.fico.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=67528&p=proxy">https://investors.fico.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=67528&p=proxy</a>.

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#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

## Do any stockholders own more than five percent of FICO s stock?

Yes. As of the dates indicated below in footnotes (3) through (7), publicly available information indicated that certain stockholders were beneficial owners of more than five percent of the outstanding shares of our common stock. The information in the table below the following question is as reported in their filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The percentages noted in the table are as provided by the shareholder as of the date of their filing and not as of November 30, 2012. We are not aware of any other beneficial owner of more than five percent of our common stock.

## What is the security ownership of directors and executive officers?

In addition to the information described in the preceding question, the following table sets forth the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of November 30, 2012, for each director and nominee for director, each executive officer named in the Summary Compensation Table below, and by all directors, nominees and executive officers of the Company as a group.

Directors, Nominees, Executive Officers	Beneficial O	Beneficial Ownership <sup>(1)</sup>	
and 5% Stockholders	Number	Percent(2)	
Eaton Vance Management <sup>(3)</sup>	4,721,336	13.2%	
2 International Place, Boston, MA 02110			
BlackRock Inc. (4)	2,723,261	7.6%	
40 East 52nd Street New York, NY 10022			
Ariel Investments, LLC <sup>(5)</sup>	2,701,645	7.6%	
200 E. Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60601			
Royce & Associates <sup>(6)</sup>	2,520,357	7.1%	
745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151			
Vanguard Group, Inc. <sup>(7)</sup>	1,981,038	5.5%	
100 Vanguard Blvd., Malvern, PA 19355			
William Lansing <sup>(8)</sup>	170,145	*	
A. George Battle <sup>(9)</sup>	157,213	*	
Mark Greene <sup>(10)</sup>	149,872	*	
James Kirsner <sup>(11)</sup>	98,225	*	
Michael Pung <sup>(12)</sup>	81,083	*	
Charles Ill <sup>(13)</sup>	79,157	*	
Deborah Kerr <sup>(14)</sup>	75,781	*	
Duane White <sup>(15)</sup>	41,000	*	
Rahul Merchant <sup>(16)</sup>	23,250	*	
Nicholas Graziano <sup>(17)</sup>	11,650	*	
David Rey <sup>(18)</sup>	8,625	*	
Stuart Wells <sup>(19)</sup>	6,000	*	
James Wehmann <sup>(20)</sup>	4,000	*	
Braden Kelly	0		
All executive officers and directors as a group (19 persons) <sup>(21)</sup>	1,437,246	4.1%	

<sup>\*</sup> Represents holdings of less than 1%.

<sup>(1)</sup> To the Company s knowledge, the persons named in the table have sole voting and sole dispositive power with respect to all shares shown as beneficially owned by them, subject to community property laws where applicable and the information contained in the footnotes to this table.

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- (2) If the named person holds stock options exercisable on or prior to January 29, 2013, or restricted stock units that will vest on or prior to January 29, 2013, the shares underlying those options or restricted stock units are included in the number for such person. Shares deemed issued to a holder of stock options or restricted stock units pursuant to the preceding sentence are not deemed issued and outstanding for purposes of the percentage calculation with respect to any other stockholder. (3) Information as to this person is based on the report on the Schedule 13G/A filed by this person as of January 11, 2012. (4) Information as to this person (including affiliated entities) is based on the report on the Schedule 13G/A filed by this person as of February 13, 2012. (5) Information as to this person is based on the report on the Schedule 13G/A filed by this person as of February 14, 2012. Ariel Investments has sole voting power as to 2,609,175 shares and sole dispositive power as to 2,696,975 shares. (6) Information as to this person is based on the report on the Schedule 13G/A filed by this person as of January 11, 2012. (7) Information as to this person (including affiliated entity) is based on the report on the Schedule 13G filed by this person as of February 9, 2012. The Vanguard Group has sole voting power as to 53,131 shares, sole dispositive power as to 1,927,907 shares and shared dispositive power as to 53,131 shares. (8) Includes options to purchase 102,145 shares and restricted stock units representing 32,500 shares. (9) Includes options to purchase 124,500 shares. Mr. Battle holds 12,703 shares directly and the remainder are held in the A. George Battle 2011 Separate Property Trust.
- <sup>10)</sup> Includes options to purchase 86,719 shares, restricted stock units representing 13,281 shares and 49,872 shares which were directly held by Dr. Greene at the time he ceased being a Section 16 officer.
- (11) Includes options to purchase 78,000 shares. All of Mr. Kirsner s shares are held by the Kirsner Family Trust.
- (12) Includes options to purchase 36,251 shares and restricted stock units representing 16,251 shares.
- (13) Includes options to purchase 24,137 shares, restricted stock units representing 24,250 shares and 30,770 shares which were directly held by Mr. Ill at the time he ceased being a Section 16 officer.
- (14) Includes options to purchase 35,625 shares, restricted stock units representing 17,708 shares and 22,448 shares which were directly held by Ms. Kerr at the time she ceased being a Section 16 officer.

(15) Includes options to purchase 30,500 shares.

Includes options to purchase 22,250 shares.

(17) Includes options to purchase 7,750 shares.

(18) Includes options to purchase 7,288 shares.

(19) Includes restricted stock units representing 6,000 shares.

(20) Includes restricted stock units representing 4,000 shares.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

scheduled to vest on or prior to January 29, 2013, by all the persons in the group.

Directors and persons who are considered officers of the Company for purposes of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), and greater than ten percent stockholders are required to file reports with the SEC showing their holdings of and transactions in the Company s securities. Our employees generally prepare these reports on the basis of information obtained from each director and officer. Based on the information available to us, we believe that all reports required by Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act to be filed by its directors, executive officers, and greater than 10% owners during the last fiscal year were filed on time.

(21) Includes the shares in notes 8 through 20, including a total of 1,138,408 shares subject to options exercisable or restricted stock units

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#### PROPOSAL 1

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### How many directors are being elected this year?

Our Bylaws specify that the Board of Directors will establish by vote how many directors will serve on the Board. The Board of Directors has set the number of directors at eight, consisting of the seven incumbent directors and one nominee for an added seat.

#### How are directors elected?

To be elected, the number of votes cast FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of votes cast AGAINST that nominee. The Company requires that all nominees submit an irrevocable letter of resignation as a condition to being named as a nominee, which resignation will be effective if (i) the nominee fails to receive a sufficient number of votes to be elected and (ii) the Board accepts such resignation. Cumulative voting for the election of directors is not permitted.

## What is the length of the term?

Each director is elected for a one-year term, or until a replacement who duly meets all requirements is duly elected.

#### How are nominees selected?

Our Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee selects nominees on the basis of recognized achievements and their ability to bring various skills and experience to the deliberations of the Board, as described in more detail in the Corporate Governance Guidelines available on our website at <a href="https://www.fico.com">www.fico.com</a>. The Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee also strongly values diversity and seeks opportunities to promote diversity within the Company s leadership. This viewpoint is reflected in our Corporate Governance Guidelines and our Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee Charter, both of which include diversity as a consideration the Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee takes into account when assessing our incumbents and nominees.

All of the current nominees to the Board were recommended as nominees by the Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee, and the full Board voted unanimously to designate them as nominees for election at the Annual Meeting. All of the nominees are presently serving on our Board and have been previously elected by our stockholders except for Mr. Kelly, who was brought to the attention of our Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee as a potential nominee by our Chief Executive Officer.

## Are there any arrangements or understandings pursuant to which the nominees for the Board were selected?

Two of the nominees who are currently serving on our Board Nicholas Graziano and Duane White (the Agreed Nominees ) were nominated for election to the Board at the 2009 Annual Meeting pursuant to an agreement (the Sandell Agreement ) between the Company and certain stockholders of the Company that were affiliated with Sandell Asset Management Corp. (collectively, the Sandell Group ). However, the Sandell Agreement did not require us to nominate the Agreed Nominees (or anyone else) for election at successive Annual Meetings, and in accordance with a July 29, 2009 amendment to the Sandell Agreement, the Sandell Group no longer has any representative on or influence over the composition of the Company s Board.

## Are stockholders able to nominate director candidates?

Yes. Our Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee considers director candidates recommended by stockholders who are entitled to vote for the election of directors at the Annual Meeting and comply with the notice procedures described below. A stockholder who wishes to nominate a candidate must send a written notice to the FICO Corporate Secretary. Each notice must include the following information about the nominee:

Name, age, and business and residence addresses;

Principal occupation or employment;

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Class, series and number of shares of FICO beneficially owned, and additional detailed ownership information regarding derivatives, voting arrangements, dividend interests, and related matters (as described in detail in our Bylaws);

A statement of the person s citizenship; and

Any other information that must be disclosed about nominees in proxy solicitations pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (including the nominee s written consent to be named as a nominee and to serve as a director if elected).

Each notice must also include the following information about the nominating stockholder and any beneficial owner on whose behalf the nomination is made:

The name and address, as they appear in our records;

The class, series and number of shares of FICO beneficially owned, and additional detailed ownership information regarding derivatives, voting arrangements, dividend interests, and related matters (as described in detail in our Bylaws);

A description of all agreements pursuant to which the nomination is being made, and any material interest of such stockholder or beneficial owner, or any affiliates or associates of such person, in such nomination;

A representation that the stockholder giving notice intends to appear in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice;

A representation whether the stockholder or the beneficial owner intends, or is part of a group that intends, to deliver a proxy statement or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of FICO s outstanding shares required to elect the nominee or otherwise solicit proxies from stockholders in support of the nomination; and

Any other information relating to the person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations for proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

We may require any proposed nominee to furnish such other information as may reasonably be required by us to determine the eligibility of the proposed nominee to serve as a director.

Our Corporate Secretary must receive this information not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding Annual Meeting. In the case of an Annual Meeting which is held more than 25 days before or after such anniversary date, in order for notice by the stockholder to be considered timely, it must be received no later than the close of business on the 10th day following the date of the first public announcement of the date of the Annual Meeting.

## What happens if a nominee becomes unavailable to serve once placed on the ballot?

Each of the nominees has consented to being named in the proxy statement and to serve if elected. If any nominee becomes unavailable to serve, however, the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy intend to vote the shares represented by the proxy for the election of such other person or persons as may be nominated or designated by the Board of Directors, unless either they are directed by the proxy to do otherwise or the Board of Directors instead reduces the number of directors.

#### **Director Nominees**

Set forth below is biographical information for each director nominee, as well as information regarding the particular experience, qualifications, attributes or skills of the nominees that led the Governance, Nominating and Executive Committee to conclude that they should serve as members of the Board. Each of these nominees is currently serving as a member of the Board except for Mr. Kelly.