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GARY A. BEU '73 Chief Human Resources Officer Kirkland & Ellis LLP

Gary A. Beu is the chief human resources officer at Kirkland & Ellis LLP. He earned his B.S.B.A. with a major in accounting from Valparaiso University in 1973. Beu, who is active in civic and church activities, currently serves on the board of the U.S. Fund for UNICEF, Midwest Chapter, where he was president from 1996 to 2000. He has served on the executive committee for the Arthritis Foundation, Illinois Chapter since 1997. Beu also is active in the Society for Human Resource Management. His wife, Carol (Menning), is a 1972 graduate of Valpo.

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F. WILLIAM BOELTER '61 President and Chief Executive Officer Boelter Companies Inc.

William Boelter is president and chief executive officer of The Boelter Companies Inc. He has served the food service industry as president of the Food Equipment Distributors Association and as president of Allied Buying Corp. Boelter also was president of Supply America. In 1990 he received the National Dealer of the Year Award, and is a two-time recipient of Miller Brewing Company's Partner in Excellence Award. Boelter earned his B.A. degree from Valparaiso University and his M.B.A. from The Wharton School. He is active in civic, church and community groups, including Lutheran Home and YMCA Camping Services.

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JIM BRADFIELD '55 Retired CEO Network Access Solutions

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JAMES R. ECKSTAEDT '76 Executive Vice President and CFO Steven Myers & Associates

James R. Eckstaedt is the executive vice president and chief financial officer for Steven Myers & Associates. He has extensive experience in managing foreign currency risk, treasury management, financing arrangements in foreign countries, and managing the legal, accounting and tax aspects of foreign locations. Eckstaedt is a frequent speaker on topics of foreign exchange management, how to complete successful mergers, and the effects of government legislation on high-tech industries.

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PAUL R. EICHELMAN '86 Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Leo Burnett Worldwide

Paul R. Eichelman is chief financial officer of Leo Burnett Worldwide, a Chicago-based advertising agency, where he is responsible for the financial operations the network's 96 offices in 84 countries. Prior to his global appointment, he lived in London and was regional finance director for the agency's European region, helping to successfully merge the D'Arcy network into Leo Burnett offices across Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Eichelman also served as finance director for Leo Burnett's operations in the United States from 1999 to 2001. Prior to joining Leo Burnett in 1991, he worked as an auditor for KPMG in Chicago as well as Duchossois Industries in suburban Chicago. Eichelman received his B.S.

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degree from Valpo and his M.B.A. in finance and economics from the University of  
Chicago Graduate School of Business.

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JAMES L. FITZPATRICK '68 COE and Publisher San Diego Magazine Publishing Company Inc.

James L. Fitzpatrick is the owner of San Diego Magazine Publishing Company Inc. He also has served as publisher of Entrepreneur Magazine and as president of the City and Regional Magazine Association. Fitzpatrick earned his B.S.B.A. from Valparaiso University in 1968, and his M.B.A. from Golden Gate University. He is a member of the boards of directors of the Salvation Army, San Diego Opera, San Diego International Sports Council, and the National Board of the International Spirit of Life Foundation. He was the recipient of the 1992 Personal Achievement VU Alumni Award and the 2000 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award.

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GARY M. GILBERT '62 Attorney Countess Gilbert Andrews, PC

Gary M. Gilbert is an attorney who earned his undergraduate degree in economics and finance along with his J.D. degree from Valparaiso University in 1962. He has served in the Pennsylvania National Guard, and as assistant district attorney for York County. Gilbert is past president of the York County Bar Association and a member of the House of Delegates of the Pennsylvania Bar Association,

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the Professionalism Committee (past vice-chairman), founding board member of  
the Susan P. Byrnes Health Education Center, and legal counsel for the National  
Kidney Foundation - York Chapter.

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RICHARD C. GOZON '60 Retired Executive Vice President Weyerhaeuser  
Company

Richard C. Gozon received his B.A. degree from Valparaiso University in 1960. He also is a 1978 graduate of the Harvard Advanced Management Program. He is retired from his position of executive vice president for Weyerhaeuser Company. Gozon is the winner of the 2002 Personal Achievement Valparaiso University Alumni Award. He is a member of the boards of directors of the Amerisource Bergen, UGI Corp., Amerigas Partners L.P., Triumph Group, Supply One Inc. and Thomas Jefferson University.

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JOHN M. HANAK '78 Statewide Director, Purdue Technology Centers Purdue  
Research Foundation

John M. Hanak is a senior executive with over 24 years of experience in both large and middle-market corporate management and administration, human resources, and operating management. He is currently the statewide director, Purdue Technology Centers, Purdue Research Foundation. Former positions include executive director of the Purdue Technology Center of Northwest Indiana, Purdue's first remote technology business incubator; partner, CN Associates, an Indiana investment partnership; and vice president, human resources and law at Ispat Inland Inc. Hanak earned his B.S. degree from Valpo in 1978, and his J.D. with distinction from John Marshall Law School in 1986. He is licensed to practice law in Illinois and has served on numerous boards and councils, including the Indiana Human Resource Investment Council (gubernatorial appointment) and the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Occupational Safety and Health Committee.

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JEFFREY R. HARDER '74 Managing Shareholder, The Woodlands Office  
Winstead, PC

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Jeffrey R. Harder, an attorney with Winstead PC, assists startup companies and entrepreneurs in growing their businesses. He has more than 25 years of legal experience working in a wide variety of interest areas. He joined Winstead in 2004 to manage the firm's biotechnology industry group. This group consists of more than 20 professionals whose practices involve representing institutions, emerging biotechnology and other life science companies, venture capital firms and pharmaceutical and medical device corporations. He was a Christ College scholar at Valpo, where he received his B.A. degree in 1974. He received his J.D. degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1978. Harder is active in church and civic activities, and serves on numerous boards and councils. He is a frequent speaker on a variety of topics.

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WALTER F. HOEPPNER III '77

Walter F. Hoepfner formerly served in the position of director, human resources – Center of Expertise at TAP Pharmaceutical Products. He has also served as director of Human Resources for Global Processes at Federal Signal Corp. Prior to joining Federal Signal, he held senior human resources management positions with BP Amoco Corp., ACCO Brands Corp. and Zebra Technologies Corp. He received his B.S. degree in business administration from Valparaiso University in 1977, and his M.B.A. degree from DePaul University in 1979. He has been involved in civic activities including the Boy Scouts of America. He also is active in the Society for Human Resource Management, Human Resources Management Association of Chicago, and the Chicago Compensation Association – Senior Compensation Executive Forum.

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COLETTE IRWIN-KNOTT '81 Partner Umbaugh

Colette Irwin-Knott is the managing partner for the Indianapolis office of Umbaugh, a certified public accounting adviser to local governments. She joined the firm in 1981 and has provided financial advisory services for issuing municipal bonds for libraries, schools and counties, as well as cities and towns throughout Indiana. She serves on several professional and charitable boards, and has been named by the Indianapolis Business Journal as a "Woman in the Lead" for financial services. She received her B.S. degree from Valpo in 1981.

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JILL LONG THOMPSON '74

Jill Long Thompson was undersecretary of agriculture for rural development at the U.S. Department of Agriculture from 1995 to 2001. As a member of the U.S. House of Representatives (Fourth District, Indiana) from 1989 to 1995, she served on the committee on agriculture and also chaired the rural caucus. In addition, Long Thompson has served with the Institute of Politics, Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University; Indiana University, South Bend; Manchester College; and Valparaiso University. She holds a Ph.D. degree in business and an M.B.A. degree

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from Indiana University, Bloomington. She also holds a B.S. degree in business  
from Valparaiso University.

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MARIAN J. MOON '72 Senior Vice President Devon Energy Corp.

Marian J. Moon was elected to the position of senior vice president, administration for Devon Energy Corp. in 1999. Moon has been with Devon for 22 years serving in various capacities, including manager of corporate finance and corporate secretary. Prior to joining Devon, Moon was employed for 11 years by Amarex Inc., an Oklahoma City-based oil and natural gas production and exploration firm. Her last position with Amarex was as treasurer. Moon is a member of the Society of Corporate Secretaries & Governance Professionals. She received her bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University in 1972.

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DAVID A. PRICE '84 President and Owner RPS Imaging

David A. Price is the president and owner of RPS Imaging, the fourth largest radiology equipment sales and service distribution company in the United States. He serves on the board of directors for National Healthcare Distributors and is a past board member of Vision Health Partners. Price is active in civic organizations, including serving as the president of the Harris Baseball-Softball Organization

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from 2004-2006. He has been the manager for various youth sports leagues since 1997. Price received his B.S. degree in business administration with a management concentration from Valparaiso University in 1984.

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JOHN T. RUDY '81 Senior Vice President, Special Accounts Management Unit  
Harris Trust and Savings Bank

John T. Rudy serves as regional president for the Harris Community Banking, Indiana Region. He is responsible for overseeing the successful integration of Mercantile Bank into Harris, as well as guiding business development strategy. Rudy joined Harris in 1981. He holds a bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University and an M.B.A. from DePaul University. He is a member of a host of organizations, including the Lake Area United Way Board of Directors, the Times Board of Economists, the Legacy Foundation, the Northwest Indiana Quality of Life Council and a member of the editorial board of the Times in Business.

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KATHI P. SEIFERT '71 Retired Executive Vice President Kimberly-Clark Corp.

Kathi P. Seifert is the former executive vice president for the Kimberly-Clark Corp., overseeing the company's \$5.7 billion global personal care business. Seifert was named to Fortune magazine's list of the "50 Most Powerful Women in Business" in 2002. She also was named to Forbes.com's annual "America's Top Businesswomen" list in 2001. She is a member of the boards of directors of Eli Lilly and Company, U.S. Fund for UNICEF, ThedaCare Health Care Group, the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center and Albertsons and Appleton Papers. Seifert earned her bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University in 1971.

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**TIMOTHY J. SPEAKER '79 Vice President Speaker Corporation**

Timothy J. Speaker is the vice president of Speaker Corporation, which has made a wide range of lighting systems for vehicular markets since 1935. Speaker received his B.S. degree in business administration from Valparaiso University in 1979.

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**ROBERT T. WARSTLER '64 Retired President, Global Sales Lucent Technologies**

Robert T. Warstler, as president of Global Sales for Lucent Technologies, was responsible for worldwide revenue production. Highlights of his previous professional experiences include branch manager for IBM, vice president of sales for AT&T, executive vice president of marketing for Northern Telecom, vice president of marketing and planning for U.S. West, and president and chief executive officer for ATG. In addition to the B.A. degree he received from Valparaiso University in 1964, Warstler has participated in non-degree executive programs at Harvard, Wharton, University of Minnesota, and University of Michigan, Aspen. He is active in the United Way and other civic and church activities.

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**JASON J. WINKLER '96 Director of Finance, North America Channel Distribution Motorola Enterprise Mobility Solutions**

Jason Winkler is the director of finance for North America Channel Distribution, Motorola Enterprise Mobility Solutions. In this role, he serves as controller for channel management and distribution of \$1.7 billion in annual channel partner sales of products ranging from two-way radios to mobile computing devices. He has extensive experience with IT software enabling order-to-cash and procurement

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processes. Prior to his current role, Winkler served as senior controller, emerging technology sales and senior audit manager, internal audit services at Motorola.

Winkler is a certified internal auditor, certified information system auditor, and earned Motorola Six Sigma Green Belt Certification. He holds a B.S. degree in business administration with an additional major in political science from Valparaiso University. He currently attends the University of Chicago Booth School of Business executive MBA program.

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RONALD H. ZECH '65 Retired Chairman and CEO GATX Corp.

Ronald Zech served as chairman and chief executive officer for GATX Corp. from 1996 to 2005. Other positions held at GATX include president, chief operating officer and vice president, finance. Before joining GATX in 1977, he held positions of responsibility at the First National Bank of Chicago. Zech also served as a member of the faculty of Valparaiso University's College of Business. He received his B.S. degree from Valpo in 1965, and his M.B.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin. Zech is affiliated with many academic, professional and civic organizations, including the boards of trustees for the John G. Shedd Aquarium, The Chicago Urban League, and the Center for Strategic and International Studies Inc.

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