

NIRI Board of Directors Candidates 2018 - 2021

Patrick N. Davidson

Vice President, Investor Relations

Oshkosh Corporation

Pat has been with Oshkosh Corporation since 2006 as the vice president of investor relations. He is responsible for communications with analysts, investors and financial media. He was a key part of Oshkosh's success in fending off both a proxy contest and a failed tender offer by a well-known activist investor. He works cross-functionally with strong support throughout Oshkosh to educate and communicate with stakeholders regarding the company and its strategies.

Prior to his work at Oshkosh, he spent 14 years at Harley-Davidson, Inc. in a variety of positions including factory supervisor, Asia-Pacific strategy, corporate purchasing and investor relations. He began his career in the semiconductor industry after graduating with honors in Chemical Engineering at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He also earned an MBA at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

He is an avid cyclist who rides to support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) and is a founding member of Oshkosh Corporation's cycling team (OSK Chain Gang) that annually consists of more than 100 fellow employees riding for 90 miles around Lake Winnebago in Wisconsin.

Jennifer Kay Driscoll, IRC

Director of IR

E. I. Dupont

Director - investor relations, E. I. du Pont de Nemours, August 2015 to present

Was recruited to bring IR expertise to this DJIA company with a \$50 B market cap following significant rotation into the department of people from other finance areas. Am responsible for serving on the merger integration team with Dow in anticipation of leading the IR function of one of the three intended public companies that will spin following the merger. Manage the relationships of multiple sell sides and buy sides in NY, CA and CO. Write scripts and other materials for CEO and the COO of one of the intended spins. Represent the company on road shows, bringing in IR best practices.

Vice president - investor relations, Campbell Soup company (NYSE: CPB), June 2009 to August 2015

VP of investor relations and public relations, Best Buy Co. Inc. (NYSE: BBY), January 2001 to May 2009

Managing director of investor relations and public relations, RBC Capital Markets (then Dain Rauscher, an NYSE-listed company), May 1993 to January 2001

Account executive, Weber Shandwick Public Relations, July 1991 to May 1993

Volunteer experience

2015- 2016 President - Philadelphia chapter of the national investor relations Institute (NIRI). Prior roles as acting president and vice president, 2014-2015. Earlier served as vice president of programs, vice president of membership, president-elect, president and past president of the Twin Cities chapter of NIRI in the 2000s. Regular presenter and moderator at monthly chapter meetings.

NIRI member since 1998 and NIRI Senior Roundtable member since 2008

Education: University of St. Catherine: Bachelor of Arts degree in English (writing) with minors in business administration and promotional communications. University of St. Thomas - School of Business: Master of business administration degree (MBA) with an emphasis on finance. Investor Relations Charter holder.

Jeffrey K. Smith, IRC, CFA
Staff Director, Investor Relations
FedEx Corporation

Jeffrey K. Smith, IRC, CFA is Staff Director, Investor Relations for FedEx Corporation. Jeff has primary responsibility for institutional investors in the eastern United States, Europe and the Middle East. In addition, he assists in the development of all financial community communications and oversees financial media outreach and the production of the FedEx Annual Report. He joined the FedEx investor relations team in 1998.

Prior to joining FedEx, Jeff managed First Tennessee Bank's mutual fund family. He has more than 25 years of experience working in and with the financial community.

A native of Memphis, he earned bachelor and master degrees in business administration from the University of Memphis, has been a CFA charterholder since 2001 and attained the IRC certification in 2017.

Jeff is a past president of the CFA Society of Memphis, a past member of the IRC Subject Matter Expert Committee, the Editorial Advisory Board and the Annual Conference Committee of the National Investor Relations Institute, and a member of the Economic Club of Memphis.

Ruth Venning
Executive Director, Investor Relations
Horizon Pharma

Ruth Venning joined Horizon Pharma in May 2017 as its executive director of investor relations. The \$2 billion biopharmaceutical company specializes in medicines for rare diseases.

Working closely with the investment community and Horizon leaders, Venning is integrally involved with IR strategic planning, messaging, analytics and investor communications. In addition, she coordinates the development of investor-relations communications, manages IR activities and drives Horizon Pharma's proxy outreach efforts.

In her current post, Venning draws on her deep experience in investor relations, corporate communications and crisis management. Most recently, she was director of investor relations for Hospira, Inc., a generic injectable pharmaceutical and medical device company. Pfizer acquired Hospira in 2015.

During her 10 years with Hospira, Venning was responsible for day-to-day communication with the investment community, as well as institutional targeting, proxy outreach, retail shareholder relations, and the production of the annual report and other investor material. She launched the company's proxy outreach program in 2010 and spearheaded Hospira's adoption of the notice-and-access distribution model in 2009, ahead of the adoption curve for practices that now are standard in investor relations.

Before joining Hospira, Venning was director of corporate relations for Telephone and Data Systems, Inc., where she managed corporate communications and investor relations. Prior to that, she served United Airlines for five years in financial communications and investor relations roles. Earlier, she directed corporate communications for Calamos Asset Management, a Chicago-area investment management firm. Venning began her career in international public relations, working primarily for the Japanese government in Japan.

Venning holds an MBA in finance from Lake Forest Graduate School of Management, a master's degree in corporate communications from Northwestern University, and a bachelor's degree in Japanese studies from Earlham College. She is an adjunct instructor in Northwestern University's Integrated Marketing Communications graduate program.

Long active in the NIRI-Chicago chapter, Venning has served on the NIRI-Chicago board of directors since 2004, including as the board's president in 2007 and chairman in 2008. She currently is the chapter's treasurer. She also is a member of the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD).

Associate Member Director

Michael Becker

Executive Vice President, International Business Strategy Business Wire

Michael Becker was named Executive Vice President, International Business Strategy in January 2016. Previously, he had served as Senior Vice President, Financial Product Strategy. Prior to that he was Vice President, Global Disclosure and Financial Reporting Services.

Michael oversees Business Wire's eight international offices, international sales partnerships, global disclosure services, partnerships within the broader financial community, and is responsible for identifying revenue-generating opportunities for Business Wire.

Under Becker's guidance, Business Wire today offers a comprehensive suite of services for the investor relations community, including: sophisticated investor relations sites, webcasting, corporate social responsibility and venture capital press release distributions, XBRL services, and Business Wire's in-house EDGAR Desk, consistently ranking among the top SEC filers. Becker also worked closely with Business Wire's European team, setting up more than a dozen disclosure networks throughout the European Union, keyed to the January 2007 implementation of the EU's Transparency Obligations Directive [TOD].

Michael was a member of the Board for CoreFiling, the Business Wire-DecisionSoft joint venture company formed to create XBRL solutions. He currently serves on the XBRL-U.S. Board of Directors, and is a board member and past-president of NIRI-New York, NIRI's largest chapter with some 400 members.

Becker joined Business Wire in 1999 as Financial Information Services Specialist. Prior to joining the company, he worked for Capital Link, Inc., where he created and implemented comprehensive media and investor relations programs for high profile clients, including SBF-Paris Bourse and the Athens Stock Exchange.

Becker holds an Executive MBA from Baruch College and is currently an Adjunct Professor of Management and member of the Dean's Advisory Council at the school.