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MEDIA ADVISORY **CII Fall Conference – September 28-30, Chicago**

Ariel Investments' President Mellody Hobson, Microsoft Chair John Thompson and Activist Investors Jeffrey Smith (Starboard Value) and Jeffrey Ubben (ValueAct Capital) to Speak

Washington, D.C., August 23, 2016 — Members of the media are invited to attend the fall conference of the Council of Institutional Investors in Chicago, September 28-30, at the Palmer House Hilton. A detailed agenda is available [here](#). **You must [register](#) to attend. Stationary cameras by prior arrangement with [Rosemary Lally](#). No roving cameras.**

CII represents pension funds and other long-term investors and is a leading voice for effective corporate governance and shareholder rights. The approximately 400 attendees will include investment professionals, regulators and governance experts.

Reporters may attend the opening reception on Wednesday, September 28, and the plenary and breakout sessions and reception on Thursday, September 29. All other sessions on Wednesday, September 28, and Friday, September 30, are closed to the press.

Speakers on Thursday, September 29

Chris Ailman, CIO, California State Teachers' Retirement System

David Berger, partner, Wilson Sonsini Goodrick & Rosati

Tom Carpenter, SVP and managing director, Wexler Walker

Anne Chapman, VP, investment operations, and senior manager, governance & proxy, Capital Group

Janine Guillot, director of capital markets policy and outreach, Sustainability Accounting Standards Board

Keir Gumbs, partner, Covington & Burling

Mellody Hobson, president, Ariel Investments

Marc Hodak, managing partner, Hodak Value Advisors

Wendy Lane, director, MSCI, Willis Towers Watson

J. Travis Laster, vice-chancellor, Delaware Court of Chancery

Paula Loop, leader, Governance Insights Center, PwC

Jon Lukomnik, executive director, IRRIC Institute

Robert (Steve) Miller, director, Dow Chemical

Zach Oleksiuk, director, head of Americas, investment stewardship, BlackRock

Jeffrey Smith, CEO, Starboard Value

John Thompson, chair, Microsoft

Jeffrey Ubben, founder, CEO & CIO, ValueAct Capital

Ash Williams, executive director & CIO, Florida State Board of Administration

Theresa Whitmarsh, executive director, Washington State Investment Board

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