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#### CHANNELADVISOR CORPORATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To Be Held On May 6, 2016

#### Dear Stockholder:

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of ChannelAdvisor Corporation, or the Company, will be held at the offices of the Company at 3025 Carrington Mill Blvd., Suite 500, Morrisville, North Carolina 27560, on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. local time for the following purposes:

- 1. Proposal 1-To elect the Board's nominees, Aris A. Buinevicius, David J. Spitz and Timothy V. Williams, to the Board of Directors to hold office until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- 2. Proposal 2-To ratify the selection by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Ernst & Young LLP as independent registered public accounting firm, or auditors, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.
- 3. To conduct any other business properly brought before the meeting.

These items of business are more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this Notice. All stockholders are invited to attend the meeting in person. The record date for the Annual Meeting is March 10, 2016. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on that date are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

By Order of the Board of Directors, Diana Semel Allen Secretary Morrisville, North Carolina March 21, 2016

We are primarily providing access to our proxy materials over the internet pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission's notice and access rules. On or about March 25, 2016, we expect to mail to our stockholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials that will indicate how to access our 2016 Proxy Statement and 2015 Annual Report on the internet and will include instructions on how you can receive a paper copy of the annual meeting materials, including the notice of annual meeting, proxy statement and proxy card.

Whether or not you expect to attend the meeting in person, please submit voting instructions for your shares promptly using the directions on your Notice, or, if you elected to receive printed proxy materials by mail, your proxy card, to vote by one of the following methods: 1) over the internet at www.proxyvote.com, 2) by telephone by calling the toll-free number 1-800-690-6903, or 3) if you elected to receive printed proxy materials by mail, by marking, dating and signing your proxy card and returning it in the accompanying postage-paid envelope. Even if you have voted by proxy, you may still vote in person if you attend the meeting. Please note, however, that if your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee and you wish to vote at the meeting, you must obtain a proxy issued in your name from that record holder.

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CHANNELADVISOR CORPORATION 3025 Carrington Mill Blvd., Suite 500 Morrisville, North Carolina 27560

PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on May 6, 2016

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THESE PROXY MATERIALS AND VOTING

Why did I receive a notice regarding the availability of proxy materials on the internet?

Pursuant to rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, we have elected to provide access to our proxy materials online. Accordingly, we have sent you a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, or the Notice, because our Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, including at any adjournments or postponements of the meeting. Internet distribution of our proxy materials is designed to expedite receipt by stockholders, lower the cost of the Annual Meeting and conserve natural resources. All stockholders will have the ability to access the proxy materials on the website referred to in the Notice or request to receive a printed set of the proxy materials. Instructions on how to access the proxy materials over the internet or to request a printed copy are in the Notice. The annual report is not part of our proxy soliciting materials. We expect to mail the Notice on or about March 25, 2016 to all stockholders of record entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

How do I attend the Annual Meeting?

The meeting will be held on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. local time at the new headquarters offices of the Company at 3025 Carrington Mill Blvd., Suite 500, Morrisville, North Carolina 27560. Please note the new address if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting. Information on how to vote in person at the Annual Meeting is discussed below.

Who can vote at the Annual Meeting?

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 10, 2016 are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournments thereof. On this record date, there were 25,401,439 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote.

Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name

If on March 10, 2016 your shares were registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Limited, then you are a stockholder of record. As a stockholder of record, you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting or vote by proxy. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to fill out and return the proxy card or vote by proxy over the telephone or online as instructed below to ensure your vote is counted. Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of a Broker or Bank

If on March 10, 2016 your shares were held not in your name, but rather in an account at a brokerage firm, bank, dealer or other similar organization, then you are the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name" and the Notice is being forwarded to you by that organization. The organization holding your account is considered to be the stockholder of record for purposes of voting at the Annual Meeting. As a beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker or other agent regarding how to vote the shares in your account. You may also attend the Annual Meeting. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote your shares in person at the Annual Meeting unless you request and obtain a valid proxy from your broker or other agent.

What am I voting on?

There are two matters scheduled for a vote:

Proposal 1-Election of three directors; and

Proposal 2-Ratification of the selection by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Ernst & Young LLP as independent auditors for our fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, or fiscal 2016.

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What if another matter is properly brought before the Annual Meeting?

The Board of Directors knows of no other matters that will be presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting. If any other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the accompanying proxy to vote on those matters in accordance with their best judgment.

How do I vote?

You may either vote "For" all three of the nominees to the Board of Directors or you may "Withhold" your vote for any nominee you specify. For the other matter to be voted on, you may vote "For" or "Against" or abstain from voting. The procedures for voting are:

Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name

If you are a stockholder of record, you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting or vote by proxy in one of three ways: online, by telephone or using a proxy card that you may request. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, we urge you to vote by proxy to ensure your vote is counted. You may still attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person even if you have already voted by proxy.

To vote online, go to www.proxyvote.com. You will be asked to provide the Company number and control number from the Notice. Your vote must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 5, 2016 to be counted. To vote over the telephone, dial toll-free 1-800-690-6903. You will be asked to provide the Company number and control number from the Notice. Your vote must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 5, 2016 to be counted.

To vote by mail if you requested printed proxy materials, you can vote by promptly completing and returning your signed proxy card in the envelope provided. You should mail your signed proxy card sufficiently in advance for it to be received by May 5, 2016.

To vote in person, come to the Annual Meeting and we will give you a ballot when you arrive.

Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of Broker or Bank

If you are a beneficial owner of shares registered in the name of your broker, bank or other agent, you should have received a notice containing voting instructions from that organization rather than from us. Please follow the voting instructions in the notice to ensure that your vote is counted. To vote in person at the Annual Meeting, you must obtain a valid proxy from your broker, bank or other agent. Follow the instructions from your broker or bank included with the proxy materials, or contact your broker or bank to request a proxy form.

How many votes do I have?

On each matter to be voted upon, you have one vote for each share of common stock you owned as of March 10, 2016.

What happens if I do not vote?

Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name

If you are a stockholder of record and do not vote online, by telephone, by completing a proxy card or in person at the Annual Meeting, your shares will not be voted.

Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of Broker or Bank

If you are a beneficial owner and do not instruct your broker, bank or other agent how to vote your shares, the question of whether your broker or nominee will still be able to vote your shares depends on whether the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE, deems the particular proposal to be a "routine" matter. Brokers and nominees can use their discretion to vote "uninstructed" shares with respect to matters that are considered to be "routine," but not with respect to "non-routine" matters. Under the rules and interpretations of the NYSE, "non-routine" matters are matters that may substantially affect the rights or privileges of stockholders, such as mergers, stockholder proposals, elections of directors (even if not contested), and certain corporate governance proposals, even if supported by management. Accordingly, your broker or nominee may not vote your shares on Proposal 1 (Election of directors) without your instructions, but may vote your shares on Proposal 2 (Ratification of independent auditors).

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What if I return a proxy card or otherwise vote but do not make specific choices?

If you return a signed and dated proxy card or otherwise vote without marking voting selections, your shares will be voted, as applicable, "For" the election of the three nominees for director and "For" the ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as independent auditors for fiscal 2016. If any other matter is properly presented at the meeting, your proxy holder (one of the individuals named on your proxy card) will vote your shares using the individual's best judgment.

Who is paying for this proxy solicitation?

We will pay for the entire cost of soliciting proxies. In addition to these proxy materials, our directors and employees may also solicit proxies in person, by telephone or by other means of communication. Directors and employees will not be paid any additional compensation for soliciting proxies. We will also reimburse brokerage firms, banks and other agents for the cost of forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners.

What does it mean if I receive more than one Notice?

If you receive more than one Notice, your shares may be registered in more than one name or in different accounts. Please follow the voting instructions on the Notices to ensure that all of your shares are voted.

Can I change my vote after submitting my proxy?

Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name

Yes. You can revoke your proxy at any time before the final vote at the Annual Meeting. If you are the record holder of your shares, you may revoke your proxy in any one of the following ways:

You may submit another properly completed proxy card with a later date.

You may grant a subsequent proxy by telephone or online.

You may send a timely written notice that you are revoking your proxy to our Corporate Secretary at 3025 Carrington Mill Blvd., Suite 500, Morrisville, North Carolina 27560.

You may attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person. Simply attending the Annual Meeting will not, by itself, revoke your proxy.

Your most current proxy card or telephone or internet proxy is the one that is counted.

Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of Broker or Bank

If your shares are held by your broker or bank as a nominee or agent, follow the instructions provided by your broker or bank.

When are stockholder proposals and director nominations due for next year's Annual Meeting?

To be considered for inclusion in next year's proxy materials, your proposal must be submitted in writing by Friday, November 25, 2016. to our Corporate Secretary at 3025 Carrington Mill Blvd., Suite 500, Morrisville, North Carolina 27560. If you wish to nominate an individual for election at, or bring business other than through a stockholder proposal before, the 2017 Annual Meeting, you must deliver your notice to our Corporate Secretary at the address above between January 6, 2017 and February 5, 2017. Your notice to the Corporate Secretary must set forth information specified in our bylaws, including your name and address and the class and number of shares of our stock that you beneficially own.

If you propose to bring business before an annual meeting other than a director nomination, your notice must also include, as to each matter proposed, the following: 1) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting that business at the annual meeting and 2) any material interest you have in that business. If you propose to nominate an individual for election as a director, your notice must also include, as to each person you propose to nominate for election as a director, the following: 1) the name, age, business address and residence address of the person, 2) the principal occupation or employment of the person, 3) the class and number of shares of our stock that are owned of record and beneficially owned by the person, 4) the date or dates on which the shares were acquired and the investment intent of the acquisition and 5) any other information concerning the person as would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement soliciting proxies for the election of that person as a director in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or that is otherwise required to be disclosed pursuant to Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated under the Exchange Act, including the person's written consent to being named as a nominee

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and to serving as a director if elected. We may require any proposed nominee to furnish other information as we may reasonably require to determine the eligibility of the proposed nominee to serve as an independent director or that could be material to a reasonable stockholder's understanding of the independence, or lack of independence, of the proposed nominee.

For more information, and for more detailed requirements, please refer to our Amended and Restated Bylaws, filed as Exhibit 3.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on May 29, 2013.

How are votes counted?

Votes will be counted by the inspector of elections appointed for the Annual Meeting, who will separately count, for the proposal to elect directors, votes "For" and "Withhold" and broker non-votes, and with respect to the ratification of independent auditors, votes "For," "Against" and abstentions. For Proposal 1, broker non-votes have no effect and will not be counted toward the vote total for any director nominee. For Proposal 2, abstentions will be counted and will have the same effect as "Against" votes.

What are "broker non-votes"?

As discussed above, when a beneficial owner of shares held in "street name" does not give instructions to the broker or nominee holding the shares as to how to vote on matters deemed by the NYSE to be "non-routine," the broker or nominee cannot vote the shares. These unvoted shares are counted as "broker non-votes."

How many votes are needed to approve each proposal?

For the election of directors, the three nominees receiving the most "For" votes from the holders of shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the election of directors will be elected. Only votes "For" or "Withheld" will affect the outcome. Broker non-votes will have no effect.

To be approved, Proposal 2, ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young, LLP as our independent auditors for fiscal 2016, must receive "For" votes from the holders of a majority of shares present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote. If you "Abstain" from voting, it will have the same effect as an "Against" vote.

#### What is the quorum requirement?

A quorum of stockholders is necessary to hold a valid meeting. A quorum is present if stockholders holding at least a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote are present at the Annual Meeting in person or represented by proxy. On the record date, there were 25,401,439 shares outstanding and entitled to vote. Thus, the holders of 12,700,720 shares must be present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting to have a quorum. Your shares will be counted towards the quorum only if you submit a valid proxy (or one is submitted on your behalf by your broker, bank or other nominee) or if you vote in person at the meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted towards the quorum requirement. If there is no quorum, either the chairman of the Annual Meeting or the holders of a majority of shares present at the Annual Meeting in person or represented by proxy may adjourn the meeting to another date.

How can I find out the results of the voting at the Annual Meeting?

Preliminary voting results will be announced at the Annual Meeting. In addition, final voting results will be published in a current report on Form 8-K that we expect to file within four business days after the Annual Meeting. If final voting results are not available to us in time to file a Form 8-K within four business days after the Annual Meeting, we intend to file a Form 8-K to publish preliminary results and, within four business days after the final results are known to us, file an additional Form 8-K to publish the final results.

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#### PROPOSAL 1

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Our Board of Directors currently has nine members and is divided into three classes. Each class consists of three directors and each class has a three-year term. Vacancies on the Board may be filled only by persons elected by a majority of the remaining directors. A director elected by the Board to fill a vacancy in a class, including vacancies created by an increase in the number of directors, shall serve for the remainder of the full term of that class and until the director's successor is duly elected and qualified.

Messrs. Buinevicius and Williams were previously elected by our stockholders and are in the class of directors whose term of office expires in 2016. Mr. Spitz was appointed as a director by the Board in May 2015 and is in the class of directors whose term of office expires in 2016. Each has been nominated for election at the Annual Meeting for the class of directors whose term of office expires in 2019. If elected at the Annual Meeting, each of these nominees would serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting and until the director's successor has been duly elected and qualified, or, if sooner, until the director's death, resignation or removal. It is our policy to invite and encourage directors and nominees for director to attend all annual meetings of stockholders and each of our directors then in office other than Messrs. Kerins and Hower attended our 2015 Annual Meeting.

Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes of the holders of shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the election of directors. The three nominees receiving the highest number of affirmative votes will be elected. You cannot vote for more than three nominees. Shares represented by executed proxies will be voted, if authority to do so is not withheld, for the three nominees named below. If any nominee becomes unavailable for election as a result of an unexpected occurrence, shares that would have been voted for that nominee will instead be voted for the election of a substitute nominee that we will propose. Each person nominated for election has agreed to serve if elected. We have no reason to believe that any nominee will be unable to serve.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee seeks to assemble a board that, as a whole, possesses the appropriate balance of professional and industry knowledge, financial expertise and high-level management experience necessary to oversee and direct our business. To that end, the Committee has identified and evaluated nominees in the broader context of the Board's overall composition, with the goal of recruiting members who complement and strengthen the skills of other members and who also exhibit integrity, collegiality, sound business judgment and other qualities that the Committee views as critical to effective functioning of the Board. The brief biographies below include information, as of the date of this proxy statement, regarding the specific and particular experience, qualifications, attributes or skills of each director or nominee that led the Committee to believe that the nominee should continue to serve on the Board. However, each of the members of the Committee may have a variety of reasons why a particular person would be an appropriate nominee for the Board, and these views may differ from the views of other members.

NOMINEES FOR ELECTION FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING AT THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING Aris A. Buinevicius, age 48, is a co-founder of our company and has served as our chief technology officer and a member of our board of directors since our inception in 2001. Prior to ChannelAdvisor, he served as director of technology at GoTo Auctions, chief technology officer and co-founder of AuctionRover.com and chief technology officer and co-founder of Stingray Software. Mr. Buinevicius received a B.S. degree in computer science from Iowa State University and an M.S. degree in computer science from North Carolina State University. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Buinevicius's knowledge of our company as one of our co-founders and his technological experience with software companies prior to founding our company allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

David J. Spitz, age 43, has served as our chief executive officer and a member of our board of directors since May 2015. He was president and chief operating officer from 2010 until May 2015, and previously served in a number of capacities with our company from 2006 until 2010. He was an entrepreneur-in-residence at the Aurora Funds, a venture capital firm, from 2005 to 2008. Previously, from 2000 to 2002, Mr. Spitz was founder and chief technology officer of WindWire, a mobile marketing company that was acquired by Avesair, where he then served as president

until its acquisition by Inphonic in 2003. In 1996 he co-founded, and until 1998 served as chief technology officer of, Netsation, a network management software company acquired by Nortel Networks, where he then served as senior principal technologist until 2000. Mr. Spitz received a B.A. degree in computer science from the University of California, San Diego. He holds four U.S. patents, is past chairman of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics Foundation Board and is chairman and a member of the executive committee and board of directors of CED, an entrepreneurial support organization for companies in the southeastern United States. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Spitz's knowledge of our company and his high-level management experience with software and technology companies, computer science background and deep industry experience allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

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Timothy V. Williams, age 66, has served as a director of our company since 2012. Mr. Williams most recently served as senior vice president and chief financial officer of Blackbaud, Inc., a public company that provides software and services to non-profit organizations, from 2001 until his retirement in 2011. From 1994 to 2001, he served as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Mynd, Inc., a public company that provides software and services to the insurance industry, which is now a subsidiary of Computer Sciences Corporation. Previously, Mr. Williams worked at Holiday Inn Worldwide, most recently as executive vice president and chief financial officer. Since 2007, Mr. Williams has served on the board of directors of and as chairman of the audit committee of PROS Holdings, Inc., a public company providing pricing and revenue management software and services. Since 2011, he has served on the board of directors of and as chairman of the audit committee of Halogen Software, Inc., a public company providing talent management software and services. Since 2014, he has served on the board of directors of and as chairman of the audit committee of PointClickCare Corp., a private company providing software and services to the facility-based senior care industry. Mr. Williams holds a B.A. degree from the University of Northern Iowa. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Williams's extensive financial, business, management and public software company experience, including as a chief financial officer, and his extensive knowledge of accounting, risk management, general management of software companies and public company reporting requirements and processes, allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" EACH NAMED NOMINEE.

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## DIRECTORS CONTINUING IN OFFICE UNTIL THE 2017 ANNUAL MEETING

Janet R. Cowell, age 47, has served as a director of our company since February 2016. Since 2008, Ms. Cowell has served as the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, the first woman to hold the office. She announced in 2015 that she would not seek re-election when her current terms ends in January 2017. From 2004 to 2008, she served as a North Carolina State Senator, and she served on the Raleigh, North Carolina City Council from 2001 to 2004. Earlier in her career she worked with Corning Inc., Sibson & Co., SJF Ventures, HSBC Holdings plc and Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. Ms. Cowell received a B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and an M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business as well as a Master's in International Studies from the University of Pennsylvania Lauder Institute. The Board of Directors believes that Ms. Cowell's extensive financial and business experience and her extensive knowledge of accounting and risk management allow her to make valuable contributions to the Board.

Robert C. Hower, age 51, has served as a director of our company since 2005. Since 2002, Mr. Hower has served as a general partner of Advanced Technology Ventures, a venture capital firm, where he is the East Coast lead partner for investments in information technology and is primarily focused on the internet, digital media and software sectors. He is also a founder and the general partner of G20 Ventures, a venture capital firm. From 2000 to 2002, he served as a director at BancBoston Ventures, Inc., a venture capital firm. From 1995 to 1999, Mr. Hower held senior management roles at Priority Call Management through its acquisition by LHS Group, after which he continued as vice president of sales for Europe, the Middle East and Africa until 2000. Mr. Hower's prior management experience also includes sales and marketing roles at Lotus Development and General Mills. From 2006 to 2013, Mr. Hower served as a director of Acme Packet, Inc., which was a public company providing session border control technology. He holds a B.A. degree from Harvard College and an M.B.A. degree from The Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Hower's broad investment experience in the information technology industry allows him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

M. Scot Wingo, age 47, is a co-founder of our company and has served as chairman of our board of directors since our inception in 2001 and as our executive chairman since May 2015. He served as our chief executive officer from 2001 until May 2015. Prior to founding ChannelAdvisor, he served as general manager of GoTo Auctions, chief executive officer and co-founder of AuctionRover.com, which was acquired by GoTo.com, and as chief executive officer and co-founder of Stingray Software, which was acquired by RogueWave. Mr. Wingo received a B.S. degree in computer engineering from the University of South Carolina and a M.S. degree in computer engineering from North Carolina State University. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Wingo's knowledge of our company as one of our co-founders, his reputation as a thought leader in the e-commerce industry and his experience with software companies prior to founding our company allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

## DIRECTORS CONTINUING IN OFFICE UNTIL THE 2018 ANNUAL MEETING

Timothy J. Buckley, age 64, has served as a director of our company since 2004. Mr. Buckley served as chief executive officer of Xtium, Inc., a provider of virtual hosting and recovery services, from 2011 until 2014. From 2003 to 2011, Mr. Buckley served as a consultant to a number of technology companies. From 1999 to 2003, Mr. Buckley served as the chief operating officer for Red Hat, Inc., a public software company. From 1993 to 1999, Mr. Buckley was senior vice president of worldwide sales at Visio Corporation, a public software application company that was acquired by Microsoft in 2000. He has served on the board of directors of SciQuest, Inc., a public on-demand software company, since March 2010. Mr. Buckley holds a B.A. degree from Pennsylvania State University. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Buckley's experience as a sales executive and chief operating officer for publicly held companies in the software industry as well as his past service as a director of several private companies allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

Marc E. Huffman, age 45, has served as a director of our company since March 2016. Mr. Huffman has served since 2014 as the president, worldwide sales and distribution of NetSuite Inc., a public company providing cloud-based financial solutions, and previously served as its senior vice president of North American Verticals, Channels and APAC from 2010 to 2014, as senior vice president of sales, North America from 2008 to 2010, and as vice president

of sales beginning in 2003. Before joining NetSuite, he served as group sales director at Oracle Corporation from 1996 to 2003 and as a sales manager at Hayden Enterprises from 1995 to 1996. Mr. Huffman received a B.S. degree in business with emphasis on marketing from California State University, Chico. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Huffman's extensive sales, management and operational experience with public companies in the software-as-a-service industry allow him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

Patrick J. Kerins, age 60, has served as a director of our company since 2007 and has served as lead independent director since January 2015. Since 2006, Mr. Kerins has served as a general partner of New Enterprise Associates, Inc., or NEA, a venture capital firm. From 1997 to 2006, he served as a general partner of Grotech Capital Group, a venture capital firm. Prior to Grotech, Mr. Kerins was an investment banker with Alex. Brown & Sons, focusing on high-technology companies. Mr. Kerins previously served on the board of directors of Millennial Media, Inc., a public mobile advertising company, and currently serves on the boards

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of directors of a number of private portfolio companies of NEA and is chairman emeritus of the Mid-Atlantic Venture Association. He received a B.S. degree from Villanova University and an M.B.A. degree from Harvard Business School. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Kerins' broad investment experience in the information technology industry allows him to make valuable contributions to the Board.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### INDEPENDENCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As required under NYSE listing standards, a majority of the members of a listed company's board of directors must qualify as "independent," as affirmatively determined by the company's board of directors. Our Board consults with our counsel to ensure that the Board's determinations are consistent with relevant securities and other laws and regulations regarding the definition of "independent," including those set forth in pertinent listing standards of the NYSE, as in effect from time to time. Consistent with these considerations, after review of all relevant identified transactions or relationships between each director, or any of the director's family members, and the Company, our senior management and our independent auditors, the Board has affirmatively determined that the following six directors are independent directors within the meaning of the applicable listing standards: Ms. Cowell and Messrs. Buckley, Hower, Huffman, Kerins and Williams. In making this determination, the Board found that none of these directors had a material or other disqualifying relationship with us. Messrs. Wingo, Spitz and Buinevicius are not independent directors by virtue of their employment with us.

## BOARD LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE

The Board is currently chaired by our executive chairman, Mr. Wingo. Mr. Kerins has served as our lead independent director since January 2015. As specified in the Corporate Governance Guidelines adopted by the Board, the responsibilities of the lead independent director include:

With the chair, establishing the agenda for regular Board meetings and serving as chair of Board meetings in the absence of the chair;

Establishing the agenda for meetings of the independent directors;

Coordinating with the committee chairs regarding meeting agendas and informational requirements;

Presiding over meetings of the independent directors;

Presiding over any portions of meetings of the Board at which the evaluation or compensation of the chief executive officer is presented or discussed;

Presiding over any portions of meetings of the Board at which the performance of the Board is presented or discussed;

Coordinating the activities of the other independent directors and performing such other duties as may be established or delegated by the chair.

The Board appointed Mr. Kerins as the lead independent director to help reinforce the independence of the Board as a whole. The position of lead independent director has been structured to serve as an effective balance to an executive chairman of the Board. In addition to the specific responsibilities of the lead independent director described above, it is the responsibility of the lead independent director to coordinate between the Board and management with regard to the determination and implementation of responses to any problematic risk management issues. As a result, we believe that the lead independent director can help ensure the effective independent functioning of the Board in its oversight responsibilities. In addition, we believe that the lead independent director is better positioned to build a consensus among directors and to serve as a conduit between the other independent directors and the chairman of the Board, for example, by facilitating the inclusion on meeting agendas of matters of concern to the independent directors. In light of the executive chairman's extensive history with and knowledge of our company, and because the Board's lead independent director is empowered to play a significant role in the Board's leadership and reinforce the independence of the Board, we believe that it is advantageous for us to have both an executive chairman and lead independent director to lead the Board.

## ROLE OF THE BOARD IN RISK OVERSIGHT

One of the Board's key functions is informed oversight of our risk management process. The Board does not have a standing risk management committee, but rather administers this oversight function directly through the Board as a whole, as well as through various Board standing committees that address risks inherent in their respective areas of oversight. In particular, our Board is responsible for monitoring and assessing strategic risk exposure, including a determination of the nature and level of risk appropriate for our company. Our Audit Committee has the responsibility to consider and discuss our major financial risk exposures and the steps our management has taken to monitor and control these exposures, including guidelines and policies to govern the process

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by which risk assessment and management is undertaken. The Audit Committee also monitors compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, in addition to oversight of the performance of our internal audit function. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee monitors the effectiveness of our Corporate Governance Guidelines, including whether they are successful in preventing illegal or improper liability-creating conduct. Our Compensation Committee assesses and monitors whether any of our compensation policies and programs has the potential to encourage excessive risk-taking. It is the responsibility of the committee chairs to report findings regarding material risk exposures to the Board as quickly as possible. The Board has delegated to the chairman the responsibility of coordinating between the Board and management with regard to the determination and implementation of responses to any problematic risk management issues.

## MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors met six times during the last fiscal year. Each Board member attended 75% or more of the aggregate number of meetings of the Board and of the committees on which the Board member served that were held during the period of the director's service.

As required under applicable NYSE listing standards, in the year ended December 31, 2015, or fiscal 2015, our independent directors met four times in regularly scheduled executive sessions at which only independent directors were present. Mr. Kerins, our lead independent director, presided over the executive sessions.

## INFORMATION REGARDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board has three committees: an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The following table provides membership and meeting information for fiscal 2015 for each of the Board committees:

Name Audit Compensation